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Caballes appointed as Defense Assistant Secretary

MGen. Raul Z. Caballes AFP (Ret), was officially appointed as the Deputy Administrator of the Philippine Veterans Affairs Office (PVAO) by President Rodrigo R. Duterte on 27 September 2017, with the rank of Assistant Secretary.

ASec. Caballes has been the Deputy Administrator of PVAO since 02 July 2015. He relinquished his post upon his retirement on 09 July 2017. Prior to this, he was the pioneering Chief of PVAO Veterans Affairs Management Division from 16 August 2013 to 01 July 2015.

His exemplary leadership as PVAO's Quality Management Representative has contributed immensely to the agency's ISO 9001:2008 Certification for its Quality Management System (QMS) for Adjudication of Pension Claims. As Chairperson of the PVAO Strategy Management Board, he propelled the successful qualification of PVAO KAGITINGAN Roadmap 2022 to the proficiency stage of the Performance Governance System.

ASec. Caballes is an outstanding manager, military leader, and a decorated soldier. He served as Chief Operating Officer / Executive Vice President – General Manager of the Armed Forces and Police Mutual Benefit Association Inc. (AFPMBAI). He was the Deputy Chief of Staff for Communication, Electronics, and Information Systems, J6, AFP from 28 May 2005 to 05 January 2007.

A recipient of the Distinguished Conduct Star (DCS) for his military service, he was also awarded the Outstanding Achievement Medal (OAM), Silver Wing Medal, and 11 Military Merit Awards (MMM).

ASec. Caballes earned two master's degrees: Master in National Security Administration (MNSA) under the National Defense College of the Philippines (NDCP) on 05 September 1998 and Master of Management, major in Business Management (MMBM) at the University of the Philippines – Cebu on 26 March 1988.

He is a member of the Philippine Military Academy (PMA) "Magilas" Class '76.

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