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## Defense Minister of Vietnam visits the Philippines



Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin welcomes General Phung Quang Thanh, Defense Minister of Vietnam, during the latter's visit to the Philippines on August 25-27, 2013 as official guest of the Department of National Defense.



During the bilateral meeting between the Defense Minister of Vietnam General Phung Quang Thanh and Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin on August 26, 2013 at Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, the defense chiefs assessed joint activities of the two defense and military establishments, and explored other cooperative initiatives including humanitarian assistance and disaster relief cooperation.



Defense Minister of Vietnam General Phung Quang Thanh visits the Philippines on August 25-27, 2013 as official guest of the Department of National Defense. In the bilateral meeting between General Thanh and National Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin, the two defense officials exchanged views on recent security issues on mutual concern particularly on the situation in the West Philippine Sea/South China Sea and the US' policy of re-balancing in the Asia-Pacific.



Vietnamese Defense Minister General Phung Quang Thanh visits the Philippines as official guest of the Department of National Defense on August 25-27, 2013. During the bilateral meeting with Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin at Camp General Emilio Aguinaldo, Quezon City, the two defense chiefs signified the commitment of the Philippines and Vietnam to enhance cooperation between the two countries.

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