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Tapat na Naglilingkod sa Bayan.*

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## DND signs MOU with Coalition Against Corruption

The Department of National Defense forged a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Coalition Against Corruption (CAC) on the commitment of support and cooperation in a joint signing ceremony held at the DND Social Hall on September 12, 2014.



*Department of National Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin and Coalition Against Corruption Chairman David Balangue exchange copies of the Memorandum of Understanding between the DND and the CAC during the signing ceremony held at Camp Aguinaldo on September 12, 2014.*

“The signing of this memorandum of understanding between the DND and the CAC will provide us with the instrument to comply with the mandate of Republic Act No. 9184, or the Government Procurement Reform Act and its implementing rules and regulations,” Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin said.

“Our Defense Department is truly appreciative of the implementation of this document that would assist us in validating the DND procurement process in all of its stages,” Secretary Gazmin added.

CAC Chairman David Balangue said that with the renewal of the commitment, the CAC will strengthen its support to the programs of the Department. “Rest assured that we will be there to support you... (and) provide services, expertise, and guidance.”



*Defense Secretary Voltaire T. Gazmin and Coalition Against Corruption Chairman David Balangue signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the DND and the CAC, with Undersecretary Fernando I. Manalo and Assistant Secretary Patrick M. Velez as witnesses.*

In his remarks, Undersecretary for Finance, Munitions, Installations, and Material Fernando I. Manalo highlighted the importance of enhancing the integrity of the procurement process in the Department.

“Ang Coalition Against Corruption ay isa mga ahensya na mayroon tayong partnership simula pa noong panahon ni Secretary (Avelino) Cruz... Minabuti natin na palakasin pa at ipasaloob sa nasabing (MOU) ang lahat ng bagay na makapagtataas ng integridad ng ating procurement,” Usec Manalo said.

Aside from the Coalition Against Corruption, the DND is in partnership with the non-government organization (NGO) Samahang Magdalo, Inc., the members of the media, and other groups in the civil sector in ensuring that the procurement process in the Department is just, transparent, and accountable to the law. #