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2014 NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION WEEK OBSERVANCE

Greetings! I am here this morning to celebrate with you the commencement of weeklong observance of NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION WEEK (NCPW).

Since 1994, the whole Philippines yearly observes the NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION WEEK (NCPW) on the first seven days of September (September 1 to 7). On its 20th year, the celebration will convey the theme "*Krimen ay Labanan, Karapatan ay Igalang Tungo sa Mapayapang Pamayanan.*"

The celebration is under the auspices of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM), and Philippine National Police (PNP) through the help of an interagency and inter-disciplinary Technical Working Committee.

The observance aims to raise awareness and appreciation of the importance and value of crime prevention, and foster interest and participation of the general public, in the prevention of crime and maintaining peace and order and public safety.

Although all sectors of society are enjoined to take part in the celebration, the heightened attention and active participation of everyone has been emphasized because of people's vulnerability to fall as victims of crime, violence and disorder, such as robbery hold-up, cellphone snatching and drug-related incidents.

Climate change has created an imperative need for the citizenry to identify tools, strategies, and model programs that will enhance the safety of everybody. Likewise, each one of us has a corresponding duty to provide our families with safe, secure, and peaceful environment. However, in achieving this end, it will require our organizations to develop a crime prevention safety plan.

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This will benefit the majority in making crime prevention a behavioral norm. The concept is simple. It is anchored on the belief that we are given the opportunity to take the lead in making our organization safer. As such, we would benefit both ourselves and our respective communities. Our involvement in the network will strengthen the social bonds that are essential to our healthy growth as members of a larger community, which will likewise increase our sense of social responsibility.

Inyo pong tandaan, "*Krimen ay Labanan, Karapatan ay Igalang Tungo sa Mapayapang Pamayanan.*" Magandang umaga sa inyong lahat.