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24-HOUR PUBLIC WEATHER FORECAST

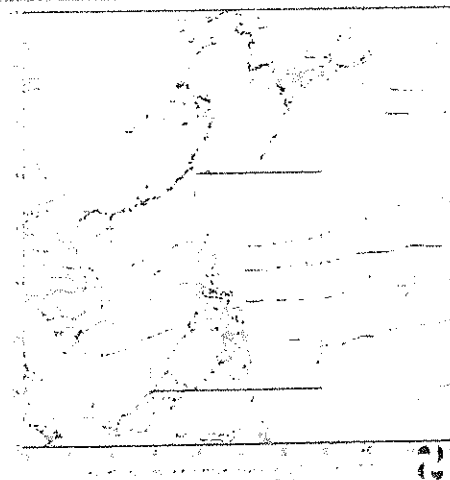
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SYNOPSIS: NORTHEAST MONSOON AFFECTING LUZON.

FORECAST: CLOUDY SKIES WITH LIGHT TO MODERATE RAINS AND ISOLATED THUNDERSTORMS WILL BE EXPERIENCED OVER CALABARZON, BICOL REGION AND NORTHERN SAMAR. CLOUDY SKIES WITH LIGHT RAINS WILL PREVAIL OVER CAGAYAN VALLEY WHILE ISOLATED LIGHT RAINS WILL BE EXPERIENCED OVER METRO MANILA AND THE REST OF LUZON. PARTLY CLOUDY TO CLOUDY SKIES WITH ISOLATED RAINSHOWERS OR THUNDERSTORMS WILL PREVAIL OVER THE REST OF THE COUNTRY.

MODERATE TO STRONG WINDS COMING FROM THE NORTHEAST WILL PREVAIL OVER NORTHERN LUZON AND ITS COASTAL WATERS WILL BE MODERATE TO ROUGH. ELSEWHERE, WINDS WILL BE LIGHT TO MODERATE BLOWING FROM THE NORTHEAST WITH SLIGHT TO MODERATE SEAS.



PAGTAYA: MAULAP NA KALANGITAN NA MAY MAHINA HANGGANG SA KATAMTAMANG MGA PAG-ULAN AT PULU-PULONG PAGKIDLAT-PAGKULOG ANG MARARANASAN SA CALABARZON, KABIKULAN AT HILAGANG SAMAR. MAULAP NA KALANGITAN NA MAY MAHINANG MGA PAG-ULAN ANG IIRAL SA REHIYON NG CAGAYAN HABANG PULU-PULONG MAHINANG MGA PAG-ULAN ANG MARARANASAN SA METRO MANILA AT NALALABING BAHAGI NG LUZON. BAHAGYANG MAULAP HANGGANG SA MAULAP NA PAPAWIRIN NA MAY PULU-PULONG MGA PAG-ULAN O PAGKIDLAT-PAGKULOG ANG IIRAL SA NALALABING BAHAGI NG BANSO.

KATAMTAMAN HANGGANG SA MALAKAS NA HANGIN MULA SA HILAGANG-SILANGAN ANG IIRAL SA HILAGANG LUZON AT ANG MGA BAYBAYING DAGAT NITO AY MAGIGING KATAMTAMAN HANGGANG SA MAALON SA IBANG DAKO. ANG HANGIN AY MAGIGING MAHINA HANGGANG SA KATAMTAMAN MULA SA HILAGANG-SILANGAN NA MAY BANAYAD HANGGANG SA KATAMTAMANG PAG-ALON NG KARAGATAN.

EXTREMES OF TEMPERATURE AND RELATIVE HUMIDITY FOR THE 24-HR PERIOD ENDING AT 4:00 PM TODAY AND RECORDED AT PAGASA WEATHER STATION, SCIENCE GARDEN, DILIMAN, QUEZON CITY:

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MINIMUM TEMPERATURE: 6:00 AM TODAY -- 21.8°C	MINIMUM RELATIVE HUMIDITY: 1:50 PM TODAY -- 66 %
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	MOONRISE / MOONSET AND ILLUMINATION
	MOONRISE TODAY: 10:45 PM
	MOONSET TOMORROW: 11:10 AM
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










































































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







24-Hour Weather Forecast and Extended Weather Outlook for Selected Cities:

ISSUED AT : 5:00 PM 31 DECEMBER 2015

VALID BEGINNING: 5:00 PM TODAY UNTIL 5:00 PM TOMORROW

CITIES	24-Hr Weather, Winds and Sea Condition Forecast <i>from 5PM today until 5PM tomorrow</i>		Extended Weather Outlook <i>from 5PM until 5PM of the following day</i>			
	31 DEC		31 JAN	02 JAN	03 JAN	04 JAN
Metro Manila	 21°C 31°C	Moderate Northeast Manila Bay: Moderate	 21°C 31°C	 20°C 31°C	 21°C 32°C	 22°C 31°C
Tuguegarao City	 21°C 28°C	Moderate to Strong Northeast	 21°C 29°C	 22°C 29°C	 22°C 29°C	 21°C 30°C
Laoag City	 20°C 31°C	Moderate to Strong Northeast Coastal Waters: Moderate to Rough	 21°C 31°C	 22°C 31°C	 22°C 31°C	 21°C 31°C
Baguio City	 19°C 21°C	Moderate Northeast	 19°C 21°C	 19°C 22°C	 19°C 22°C	 19°C 22°C
SBMA (Olongapo) / Clark Zone (Angeles City)	 22°C 31°C	Moderate Northeast South Bay: Moderate	 22°C 31°C	 21°C 31°C	 22°C 32°C	 22°C 32°C
Tagaytay City	 19°C 28°C	Moderate Northeast	 19°C 29°C	 19°C 29°C	 20°C 29°C	 20°C 29°C
Lipa City	 22°C 30°C	Moderate Northeast	 22°C 30°C	 21°C 30°C	 22°C 31°C	 22°C 31°C
Legazpi City	 24°C 30°C	Moderate to Strong Northeast Coastal Waters: Moderate to Rough	 25°C 30°C	 25°C 31°C	 24°C 31°C	 24°C 31°C
Puerto Princesa City	 23°C 31°C	Moderate Northeast Coastal Waters: Moderate	 24°C 31°C	 24°C 32°C	 25°C 32°C	 25°C 32°C
Iloilo City / Bacolod City	 25°C 30°C	Light to Moderate Northeast Coastal Waters: Slight to Moderate	 24°C 31°C	 24°C 32°C	 24°C 32°C	 23°C 32°C
Metro Cebu	 25°C 31°C	Light to Moderate Northeast Coastal Waters: Slight to Moderate	 25°C 31°C	 24°C 32°C	 24°C 31°C	 24°C 32°C
Tacloban City	 23°C 30°C	Moderate Northeast Coastal Waters: Moderate	 23°C 30°C	 24°C 30°C	 23°C 31°C	 24°C 31°C
Cagayan de Oro City	 24°C 30°C	Light to Moderate Northeast Coastal Waters: Slight to Moderate	 23°C 29°C	 23°C 30°C	 22°C 31°C	 22°C 31°C
Valencia City	 19°C 31°C	Light to Moderate Northeast	 18°C 31°C	 18°C 31°C	 18°C 31°C	 18°C 31°C
Metro Davao	 25°C 32°C	Moderate Northeast Coastal Waters: Moderate	 24°C 32°C	 24°C 32°C	 24°C 32°C	 24°C 32°C
Zamboanga City	 23°C 32°C	Light to Moderate Northeast Coastal Waters: Slight to Moderate	 23°C 32°C	 23°C 33°C	 24°C 33°C	 24°C 33°C

LEGEND:

	Clear skies		Partly Cloudy, to at times Cloudy with Rainshowers and/or Thunderstorms		Occasional Rains		Rains with Gusty Winds
	Partly Cloudy Skies		Cloudy skies with Rainshowers and/or Thunderstorms		Monsoon Rains - Rains		Stormy
	Partly Cloudy to at times Cloudy with Rainshowers		Light Rains				

END OF FORECAST

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ONLINE NEWS

01 JANUARY 2016

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Sulu clash death toll reaches 11

(philstar.com) | Updated December 31, 2015 - 10:39am



The Abu Sayyaf is believed to be holding two Canadians, a Norwegian and a Filipina who were kidnapped from a marina in Davao in September. [Philstar.com, file](#)

MANILA, Philippines - The death toll in the encounter between military units and members of Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG) in Patikul, Sulu on Wednesday afternoon has reached 11.

According to a report, one soldier and 10 ASG members were killed while six other military troopers were wounded.

West Mindanao Command (WMC) spokesperson Major Filemon Tan said that 15 ASGs were fatally wounded.

The wounded troops are undergoing treatment at the Kutang Heneral Teodulfo Bautista Station Hospital in Jolo, Sulu.

The government troops are in stable condition and are scheduled to be transported to the WMC headquarters in Camp Navarro Station Hospital in Zamboanga City for further treatment.

The Army rangers were conducting "focused military operations" against the ASG when a firefight erupted.

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The militant group was believed to be holding victims they abducted in Samal Island last September.

Around 300 ASG bandits under Hajan Sawadjaan and members of the 1st Scout Ranger Battalion were involved in the clash on Wednesday afternoon at Sitio, Barangay Buhanginan, Patikul.

The Philippines and the United States have listed al-Qaeda-linked Abu Sayyaf as a terrorist organization for kidnappings, beheadings, extortion and bomb attacks. - **Patricia Lourdes Viray**

www.rappler.com

9 dead as Philippine troops clash with kidnappers

The regional military spokesman, however, refuses to speak on the status of the hostages thought to be held by the gunmen

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7:04 AM, December 31, 2015

MANILA, Philippines – Philippine security forces clashed with al-Qaeda-linked gunmen believed to be holding foreign hostages on Wednesday, December 30, leaving one soldier and 8 of the gunmen dead, the military said.

The clash occurred near Patikul town on the remote southern island of Jolo, where gunmen from the Islamic militant group Abu Sayyaf are believed to be holding two Canadian hostages along with a Norwegian and a Filipina.

Regional military spokesman Major Filemon Tan said that one soldier was killed and 4 wounded, but did not respond to queries about the status of the hostages thought to be held by the gunmen.

Eight of the around 100 attackers were also killed, Tan told reporters, adding that the militants belonged to an Abu Sayyaf faction led by Hajan Sawadjaan.

Abu Sayyaf last month released a video of two Canadian tourists, a Norwegian resort operator and a Filipina abducted in another area in Mindanao in September, and demanded P1 billion pesos (\$21 million) in ransom.

A Dutch bird watcher abducted in Mindanao in 2012 is also believed by the military to be held by the same group on Jolo.

Founded in the early 1990s with seed money from late Al-Qaeda chief Osama bin Laden, Abu Sayyaf gained international notoriety for kidnapping dozens of foreign tourists for ransom in the early 2000s.

The group has also been blamed for the country's worst terrorist attacks, including the bombing of a ferry off Manila Bay in 2004 that killed more than 100 people.

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It is believed to have just a few hundred gunmen, but thrives in lawless sections of Mindanao where Muslim rebels have for decades fought for independence or autonomy.

The militant group beneaded a Malaysian hostage last month, weeks after a 74-year-old South Korean kidnapped in January was found dead, apparently from illness, on Jolo. – Rappler.com

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Pinalayang Army officer ng NPA, sasa-ilalim muna sa debriefing

By Bombo ButuanPosted in Latest News Thursday, 11 December 2015 11:00

BUTUAN CITY – Isasailalim pa sa debriefing ang Army officer matapos palayain ng mga rebeldeng New People's Army (NPA) kaninang hapon sa bukirang bahagi ng Brgy. Durian, sa bayan ng Las Nieves, lalawigan ng Agusan del Norte.

Dahil dito, hindi pa makaka-uwi sa kanilang bahay sa Brgy. Lapasan, Cagayan de Oro City, ang Peace and Development Team Leader ng Alpha Company ng 26th Infantry Battalion, Philippine Army na si Cpl. Adriano Bengil, ngunit makakasama naman nito ang kaniyang pamilya sa pagsalubong ng bagong taon.

Matatandaang dinukot siya noong Setyembre 19, 2015 sa Brgy. Mahagsay, San Luis, Agusan del Sur matapos harangin ng tinatayang 30 mga rebeldeng NPA ang sinasakyan nitong motorsiklo na minamaneho ni Brgy. kagawad Reneboy Galino na taga-Brgy. Policarpio, San Miguel, Surigao del Sur.

Patungo sana sila Brgy. Mahagsay para sa isang outreach mission upang ma-facilitate ang pagpasok ng mga proyekto ng gobyerno nang sila'y harangin sanhi ng pagiging prisoner of war nito ng ilang buwan.

www.davaotoday.com

Army brigade official tagged in militia threats Vs. journalists

Dec. 31, 2015 ZEA IO MING C. CAPISTRANO

DAVAO CITY – A high-ranking army official was tagged in the death threats issued against members of the media who are assigned to cover the anniversary of the Communist Party of the Philippines.

The political arm of the CPP, the National Democratic Front said Armed Forces of the Philippines' Col. Isidro Purisima who is the commanding officer of the 402nd Brigade based in Surigao del Sur is using the Magahat Bagani paramilitary group to threaten journalists.

The paramilitary group was also accused in the killings and threatening indigenous peoples in Mindanao.

The threat came from a text message claiming that he is Bobby Tejero, leader of the Magahat Bagani. A video clip, containing the same message by armed men whose faces were covered, was also released in the social media network, Facebook.

The text message reportedly read:

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"Maayong adlaw sa tanang media sa mindanao, among ipahibalo nga kung kinsa man ang magtambong sa anibersaryo sa CPP/NPA/NDF nga taga media among apilon ug ambush. Kay kun mutambong sa maong anibersaryo nagpasabot nga linya sa NPA, mao ng kinahanglan walay magtungas nga media arun dili maapil sa gira. Gira nga NPA batok sa armadong lumad MAGAHAT...walay labot ang kasundalohan ug mga police ky amo ra kining bangi TRIBU bersus NPA. daghan salamat!! #Nagpahibalo Bobby Tejero commander sa MAGAHAT... Palihog ipakalat sa tibook mindanao."

(Good day to all the media in Mindanao. We would like to inform that members of the media who will be attending the anniversary of the CPP/NPA/NDF will be included in our ambushes. Because if those who attend during the said anniversary means he/she has a connection with the NPA, that's why there should be no media during the event to avoid being caught in the war. War of the armed lumad Magahat against the NPA... The military and the police have nothing to do with this because this is a conflict between the tribe against the NPA. Thank you! #For information Bobby Tejero commander of MAGAHAT... Please spread to whole Mindanao.)

"By allowing criminal paramilitary groups to issue death threats against members of the press, Col. Purisima has made the mass media a veritable target of state terrorism," said Jorge Madlos, with nom de guerre Ka Oris, spokesperson of NDF Mindanao.

"This is not only a grave affront to the integrity of the press, but an act in outright contempt of press freedom. It violates media people's right to life and free expression as well as subvert their duty to inform the public, which is a tenet held inviolable even by the 1987 Constitution," he said.

Madlos said since Purisima took over the 402nd Brigade "direct terror attacks against peasant and Lumad communities in Surigao del Sur and Surigao del Norte have escalated."

"Under his command, extra-judicial killings perpetrated by his troops and paramilitary groups have intensified, such as the Tabugol murders on August 28, the Han-ayan massacre on September 1 and the killings of two barangay captains," he said.

On September 1, the killings of tribal leaders and a school head in Lianga, Surigao del Sur has caused the massive evacuation of thousands of indigenous people who sought refuge at the Tandag City Provincial Sports Complex.

"With communities brutally terrorized, thousands have been displaced in the short time that he had held his post, such as those from the 5 towns of Surigao del Sur and from Agusan del Sur. And, reports have it that Purisima's troops also raped a blind woman in Tago sometime in October," Madlos said.

Madlos said the Army official has also "conspired with the Philippine Information Agency (PIA), a government-run news 'media' agency, and the ANAD, a group formed by the swindler Alcover and the dreaded criminal Palparan, to engineer a brazen deliberate attack against the mass media, guests and the people to discourage them from attending the 47th CPP anniversary celebration in any part of Caraga."

Retired Army General Jovito Palparan figured in the abduction of two UP students, Karen Empeno and Sherlyn Cadapan in 2006. Palparan was also tagged as "butcher" by activists in the country.

Madlos said even with the threats by the paramilitary group journalists from major cities in Mindanao "and even from as far as Cebu" covered the CPP's anniversary celebration held somewhere in Agusan del Norte.

"As journalists, they have displayed an uncommon audacity that will ensure, for years to come, the preservation and defense of press freedom," he said.

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Madlos said more than 5,000 people attended their anniversary celebration last Saturday.

The CPP has recently celebrated their 47th founding anniversary. (davaotoday.com)

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