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For gallantry in action
SLAIN COP PROMOTED

SPO4 Edmundo de Leon, the 47-year old policeman who died fighting a gang of suspected kidnappers in Quezon City yesterday has been posthumously promoted to the rank of Police Inspector.

On orders of PNP Chief, Director General Leandro R Mendoza, de Leon was awarded the meritorious promotion for "gallantry in action."

De Leon's remains were brought to the Camp Crame Mortuary Chapel and will be accorded full honors during the interment.

Mendoza also instructed the Directorate for Personnel and Records Management (DPRM) to expedite processing of all death benefits due to De Leon's family.

The National Capital Region Police Office (NCRPO) under Deputy Director General Edgar Galvante handed-over P120,000.00 as financial assistance to De Leon's kin.

While expressing gratitude for De Leon's "dedication to duty", the Chinese-Filipino community through the Federation of Filipino-Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FFCCCI) turned-over P100,000.00 to the family of the late policeman.

The surviving kin also received an initial P200,000.00 representing De Leon's death benefits from the Public Safety Mutual Benefit Fund Inc. (PSMBFI)

De Leon was among members of the Regional Intelligence and Investigation Services Office (RISSO) of the NCRPO that stormed the safe

house of a kidnap-for-ransom syndicate in Del Monte, Quezon City yesterday morning.

The operation went awry when the suspects opened fire at the raiding team, hitting De Leon in the initial volley.

Four of the suspects yielded after a five-hour stand-off.