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BE PART OF THE SOLUTION, EBDANE URGES BUSINESS LEADERS

PNP Chief, Director General Hermogenes E. Ebdane Jr. today urged leaders of the Philippine business climate in the country.

"Be vigilant against crime and criminals, take the initiative by reporting crime, and share the responsibility by testifying as witnesses and pursuing cases until the very end," Ebdane told business leaders in Makati today.

Ebdane was guest speaker during the joint general membership meeting of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PACI), the Federation of Filipino-Chinese Chambers of Commerce and Industry Inc. (FFCCCII), the Management Association of the Philippines (MAP), and the Federation of Philippine Industries (FPI) at the Dusit Hotel Nikko.

In his remarks, the PNP Chief cited lessons and realities experienced by the PNP during recent incidents and major security operations to underscore the PNP's "rock-solid resolve to deliver the goods to our citizens with tangible results".

Ebdane said "focus and discipline" has kept the PNP on track in accomplishing missions and challenges that came its way -- from the seizure of P1.6 billion worth of illegal drugs in seven clandestine laboratories, the recovery of 610 stolen cars this year, the neutralization of 127 kidnapping suspects, the killing of Al-Ghozi, the arrest of Jemaah Islamiya leader Taufek Refke, the successful outcome of President Bush's state visit, and the generally peaceful turnout of the All Saints' Day holiday.

The PNP Chief also cited the benchmark 75% improvement in solution efficiency of bank robbery cases this year as compared to the previous year, and the significant decrease in incident of hijacking and highway robbery of commercial commodities, which has been a major concern for the business community.

The PNP Chief assured leaders of the Philippine Business Community that "your police force will not stop until the crime is solved and the perpetrators are brought to justice."

"These milestones and initiatives are our response to the clamor from the citizenry for every officer and personnel of the PNP to shape-up, do the work, and get the job done," Ebdane said.