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### **500 GRAMS OF SHABU SEIZED FROM 4 PUSHERS IN LAS PIÑAS BUY-BUST**

Five hundred grams of shabu worth one million pesos (P1,000,000) were seized from four suspected drug pushers during a buy-bust operation in Las Piñas City.

The operation was conducted by elements of the Metro Manila Regional Office, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (MMRO-PDEA) at 4:00 pm last Monday (Oct. 27) in front of Shell Gas Station, Almanza, Las Piñas City.

In his report to undersecretary Anselmo S. Avenido Jr., PDEA Director General, Police Senior Superintendent Orlando Mabutas, MMRO Director, identified the suspects as Elden Zaide y Lu alias Pogi, 36 years old, married, driver and a resident of Tierra Nevada Subdivision, General Trias, Cavite; Tarhata Bandong y Maguid alias Sarah, 25, married, jobless and a resident of Bayanan, Alabang, Muntinlupa City; Dante Banagan y Got, 25, single, jobless of Margusatubig, Zamboanga del Sur; and Beth Kusain y Mamaluba, 18, single, jobless, and residing at No. 21, 7th St., Lugay Lugay, Cotabato City.

Mabutas said MMRO operatives led by Police Senior Inspector Rommel J. Ochave posted themselves near the gasoline station at about 4 pm and waited for the arrival of the four suspects. Moments later, the four arrived on board a gray Toyota Corolla with Plate Number UNW 660.

The waiting operatives immediately arrested the four when they turned over to them one big transparent plastic self-sealed pack containing the illegal drug in consideration for P350,000.

The operatives also confiscated the Toyota Corolla car the suspects used to transport the illegal drugs.

The four suspects are detained at the MMRO office. A case for violation of Section 5 (Selling of Illegal Drugs) in relation to Section 26 Paragraph B (Attempt or Conspiracy To Sell Illegal Drugs), Article II of Republic Act 9165, or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, has been filed against them.