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PDEA RAIDS DRUG DEN IN DASMARIÑAS VILLAGE; 6 PERSONS ARRESTED IN POT SESSION

Agents of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) swooped down yesterday evening (Wednesday, Oct. 15) on a house in an exclusive and posh village in Makati City and arrested six persons who were engaged in a pot session.

Raided was a house at No. 7 Palm Ave., Dasmariñas Village, Makati City.

Undersecretary Anselmo S. Avenido Jr, PDEA Director General, said the operatives of the PDEA Operational Support Service (OSS) led by Police Superintendent Marino A Ravelo were armed with a search warrant issue by Judge Rebecca Mariano of RTC Branch 136, Makati City when they raided the house.

Ravelo identified the six suspects as Jose Reyes II, alias Sec, 51 years old and owner of the house; his twin brother Jose Reyes III; his son Jose Reyes IV, 22; Josephine Quipo, 44; Domilyn Mitchell 22; and Frank Morato, 53, who is a resident of No. 43 N. Domingo st., Quezon City.

Two unidentified suspects eluded arrest.

Ravelo said the six were in the billiard room sniffing shabu, marijuana and hashish when the raiding team arrested them. He added that when Reyes II was frisked, he yielded an NBI ID.

The operation was witnessed by Jose S. Concepcion, Barangay Chairman of Forbes Park, Makati City, and mediamen Erick Dastas and Dolan Castro, both of ABS CBN Channel 2.

Seized during the operation were the following:

1. Undetermined quantity of shabu;
2. Undetermined quantity of marijuana;
3. Undetermined quantity of hashish;
4. Nineteen (19) pieces of assorted tooter;
5. Six (6) pieces of disposable lighter;
6. Three (3) pairs of scissors;
7. Two (2) pieces of weighing scale;
8. Four (4) pieces of gas burners;
9. One (1) bottle of alcohol;
10. Forty-three (43) live bullets for cal. 45;
11. A silencer for cal. 22;
12. Forty-six (46) pieces of aluminum foil;
13. Two (2) pieces of aluminum roll foil;
14. A wallet with an NBI ID; and,
15. Two motorcycles - a BMW and Yamaha.

Police Chief Inspector Hernando Tiongson, PDEA OSS team leader, revealed that the team started to monitor the movement of the suspects as early as 3 pm of Oct. 15 based on the information provided by an informant. The operatives entered the house at 9:30 pm together with the witnesses.

"This operation is significant in the sense that it was done in an exclusive village in the presence of the barangay captain who assisted in the orderly conduct of the search. This is in line with the instruction of the President to arrest drug law violators regardless of their status in life," Avenido said.

As this developed, the PDEA chief reiterated his call to all peace-loving Filipinos to join in the intensified national anti-drug campaign by providing information on suspected drug personalities and illegal drug activities. He said they can do this through "Operation: Private Eye" that gives monetary reward to informants who could provide information that would lead to the dismantling of shabu laboratories or drug dens, recovery of illegal drugs, and arrest of illegal drug personalities.