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TWO ARRESTED, 3 NOTORIOUS PUSHERS KILLED DURING PDEA, PNP ANTI-DRUG OPERATION IN ZAMBALES

Three notorious drug pushers killed, two others arrested by joint operatives of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) and the Philippine National Police (PNP) during the implementation of search warrant in Zambales on September 30, 2014.

PDEA Director General Undersecretary Arturo G Cacdac, Jr. identified the two arrested pushers as Jessica Taralus, alias Anna, 41 years old and Abdul Abdurasid, alias Manong, both residents of Brgy 6-B, Brgy.Calapacuan, Zambales. The three drug pushers who were killed during the anti-drug operations were identified as Jun-Jun Jackaria and his two unidentified cohorts.

At around 5:45 a.m., joint elements of PDEA Regional Office 3 (PDEA RO3) Subic Municipal Police Station, Provincial Public Safety Company Zambales Provincial Police Office, 2nd Battalion Special Action Force (SAF), Olongapo-Zambales Criminal Investigation and Detection Team (OZCIDT), Region 3 Anti-Illegal Drugs Special Operations Task Group (RAIDSOTG) implemented a search warrant issued by the Honorable Norman Pamintuan of Regional Trial Court Branch 73, Subic, Zambales that led to the arrest of Taralus and Abdurasid.

The subjects particularly Jun-jun C. Jackaria and his two cohorts fired and threw a grenade at the operating teams which prompted the latter to retaliate. The three suspects died on the-spot. Taralus and Abdurasid are identified as notorious drug dealers in the province of Zambales or categorized as high-value target drug personalities. Both suspects are facing multiple warrants of arrest.

Confiscated from the suspects were 14 heat-sealed transparent plastic sachets containing white crystalline substance suspected to be shabu, assorted drug

paraphernalia, one caliber .45 pistol without serial number, one caliber .22 pistol, one caliber .38 revolver without serial number, one air rifle without serial number, three pieces of caliber . 38 ammunition, one piece of caliber.45 ammunition and four pieces of caliber . 22 ammunition.

Taralus and Abdurasid will face charges for violation of Section 11 (Possession of Dangerous Drugs), and Section 12 (Possession of Equipment and Other Paraphernalia for Dangerous Drugs), Article II of Republic Act 9165, or The Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002. Additional case will also be filed against the arrested suspects for violation of RA 10591 (Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act).