



# NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY

## North Central Mindanao Region

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## **Our most heartfelt gratitude to the masses, the NPA loves you! – NPA-NCMR**

On Valentine's Day, the New People's Army in North Central Mindanao (NPA-NCMR) expresses its most heartfelt gratitude to the masses of peasants, workers, youth, women and other democratic forces for continuing to support and cherish your people's army.

Your constant love for the NPA serves as our inspiration and motivation in the face of hardships and sacrifices brought about by intensified fascist attacks of the US-Duterte regime on our region. It is where we draw upon our strength and determination to vigorously carry on the national democratic victory to total victory.

“Without a people's army, the people have nothing.” The NPA's 51-year record of service to the Filipino people is testament to this. Because it is beloved by the masses, the people's army cannot ever be rendered irrelevant. It continues to achieve victories and advances in the people's war at all levels. It has persevered and grown in strength.

Because of your unwavering support and love, the NPA remains undefeated by the enemy. For this, your army is ever grateful.

In return, the NPA forces remain the genuine soldiers and servants of the toiling and oppressed masses. In light of the US-Duterte regime's ceaseless fascist attacks and the worsening conditions of Philippine society, we shall always defend the rights and welfare of the people. The people's interests shall always be at the forefront of all our struggles, such as the fight for genuine land reform, against poverty and hunger, against militarization and foreign intervention, and other democratic demands. The people and the NPA shall always be united in the aim to uphold and eventually establish a genuine People's Democratic Government.

Despite attempts by the US-Duterte regime to frustrate the spread of the revolutionary message and justness of the armed struggle, you have stood unfaltering and steadfast. Duterte has not been able to fulfill his pipedream of installing a fascist dictatorship because of your firm protest and resistance. You have courageously condemned martial law in Mindanao, its de facto implementation nationwide, and the regime's widespread campaign of violence. Because of your bravery and unity, the regime remains a failure in one desperate measure after another to force the NPA and the revolutionary movement into surrender.



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The government and the AFP has employed a smorgasbord of schemes to make it appear that the armed revolution has lost its mass support. But as before, all its efforts are to no avail. It has now become more blatant that the tyrannical, delusional and heartless US-Duterte regime cannot ever alleviate the suffering of the Filipino people.

Instead, because the NPA continues to be beloved by the masses, these have only served to further affirm that only through armed revolution can a puppet and militaristic state be defeated. More and more people are now being urged to fight for their rights. The armed revolution has been brought closer to their hearts and minds.

Thus, the NPA-NCMR expresses its boundless gratitude. For as long as the people are oppressed and exploited, your people's army shall carry on. In the spirit of your constant love and support for the people's army, we remain resolute in our commitment to "Serve the people!", down to our very last breath.

Happy Valentine's Day! *Daghang salamat inyong tanan!* The NPA loves you. ###

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