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### Filipinos in Canberra Write Messages of Support for Filipino Soldiers Through #OgopMarawi



(R-L) Col. Dennis Gammad, Philippine Defense and Armed Forces Attaché to Australia, and his team, Tsg. Grace Alvarez, Tsg. Ricardo Lasmarias, and Col. Nhel Patricio, Assistant Defense Attaché, led the #OgopMarawi booth.

CANBERRA, Australia (09 July 2017) – The Philippine Embassy participated in the worldwide campaign for Overseas Filipinos to show support for Filipino soldiers in Marawi through #OgopMarawi (Help Marawi) Drive during a Filipino Community Fair at the Embassy grounds on 09 July 2017.

Col. Dennis Gammad, Philippine Defense and Armed Forces Attaché to Australia and his team together with Philippine Embassy personnel invited visiting Filipinos to write their messages of support in postcards which will be sent by the Embassy to the Department of Foreign Affairs in Manila. With the booth, a total of 69 postcards were signed and collected.

The Philippine Embassy, Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO) in Canberra and Office of the Philippine Defense and Armed Forces Attaché (ODAF) held a three-hour community fair on 09 July 2017 to provide consular services for Filipinos residing in Canberra and a Post-Arrival Orientation Seminar (PAOS) for newly-arrived Filipino workers. END