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SUBJECT **: Situational Report re: Social Disorganization in Surigao del**

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DATE **: July 16, 2018**

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This has reference to the social media post circulating online regarding the alleged evacuation of families in Brgy. Diatagon, Lianga, Surigao del Sur.

As per report from the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer of the said municipality, Ms. Melita Encenzo, families coming from twenty-three communities originating from the municipalities of Lianga, San Agustin, Marihatag, San Miguel and Tago, Surigao del Sur converged in Brgy. Diatagon, Lianga, Surigao del Sur today July 16, 2018. Accordingly, the reason for the said incident is that the families object the setting up of a military detachment in Km. 9, Diatagon, Lianga.

Ms. Encenzo added that the said families are now considered internally displaced persons (IDPs) and are currently staying in the Brgy. Gymnasium of Diatagon. The total number of families and persons are still for validation since the intake is still ongoing. Once the number is determined, the LGU will request augmentation assistance from DSWD.

*Source: MSWDO Lianga, Surigao del Sur*

The Field Office through the Disaster Response Management Division (DRMD) in close coordination with the MSWDO and MDRRMO will continue monitor the situation in order to provide the Central Office with more updates.

For your information and ready reference.

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