Statement of Defense Secretary Delfin N. Lorenzana
on the beheading of Mr. Kantner

We are deeply saddened by the fate that Mr. Juergen Gustav Kantner suffered at the hands of the bandits whose name no longer deserves to be mentioned. We strongly denounce this most heinous of crimes against humanity committed by a group who have made it their business to terrorize and take the lives of innocent people for profit.

We extend our most heartfelt sympathies to the family and loved ones of Mr. Kantner. We cannot even begin to imagine the anguish and grief they are going through. What we can assure them and the whole world is that we are going after these animals with the full force of the law.

Make no mistake.

They will feel the wrath of the entire Filipino nation through the might of its armed forces.

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