

## COL YUSOP A JIMLANI (Ret) PA

### A. PROFILE:

As college student he was a government scholar. As a military student he received two (2) awards for academic excellence. He also earned his 45 units in post graduate study leading to Masters in Business Administration (MBA).

Facilitated the surrender of MNLF Chairman Sulaiman Ranain of the Davao Revolutionary Committee (DRC) and followed by four (4) other foreign trained commanders of batch 300 to include several armed/unarmed followers.

He received a temporary promotion from captain to major for meritorious achievements as brigade operations officers for being number one (1) out of 24 brigades in tactical operations.

The only Muslim officer who served as an aide-de-camp during the time of President Corazon C. Aquino (assigned to foreign presidents).

Wrote a book entitled "Soldiers Handbook to Understand Muslim". The first ever handbook written aimed at educating soldiers on Muslim cultures and traditions especially those assigned in Mindanao. The then AFP Chief of Staff General Hermogenes Esperon Jr., AFP, ordered the reprinting and distribution of the said handbook to AFP personnel. Likewise, the Australian embassy also showed interest in the reprinting of the handbook. An international Muslim foundation too has reprinted the said handbook.

Organized and led the United Muslim Council for Peace and Development (UMCPD), with more than 70 thousand members. Build/construct 8 mosques and 3 madrasas without funds coming from the government. Several other donations were given to Muslims and Christians alike. The UMCPD was adjudged as the best NGO by the Philippine Army.

A Team Leader of the AD HOC Joint Action Group (AJAG) of the government panel in the GRP-MILF peace process with an area covering the whole Mindanao. Its mission is to interdict, isolate and or arrest criminal elements within or near the area of the MILF territory and adjudged as the number one team.

He has been assigned to almost all parts of Mindanao and has fought as an infantry officer in almost all fronts be they Muslim or non-Muslim terrorists.

He was once a general manager of Zamboanga barter trade in the early 80's.

He acted as a battalion commander during the 1986 coup d'état.

He also served as instructor in the Philippine Army Training Command (TRACOM) when he was still a captain. He was then awarded as a best instructor by the TRACOM.

His achievement as a soldier, has earned him a stature in the military service for being an intelligence officer, operation officer and an organization man.

He received the following:

- 39 – Awards and decorations
- 79 – Commendations and honors
- 2 – Academic excellence

Being a Tausug Muslim officer- soldier, a peace loving man whose dream is to retire in one piece and be an old soldier who simply faded away. He retired last 01 April 2007 but by the look of it, it seems it is not feasible to simply fade away. New tasks were offered:

1. Hired as consultant by then City Mayor Rodrigo R. Duterte.
2. Acted as adviser on terrorism by Task Force Davao.
3. Tasked as consultant/adviser for Mindanao affairs of World Assembly of Muslim Youth (WAMY). An international foundation based in Saudi Arabia.
4. Designated as action officer of the city mayor.

## B. TASKING BY THE CITY MAYOR:

The first task was to organize a group to mitigate if not solve the flooding problem in Davao City. Thus, Drainage Management Unit (DMU) was organized to intensify clearing of all structures that hinder the free flow of the water down to the outfall. The engineers have seemed failed to perform. He was not an engineer by profession but the city mayor entrusted his full trust and confidence of the job.

Demolition followed of neither government nor privately owned structures illegally built on top of the canal or drainage water ways. After six (6) months of operation, the problem was almost solved and has not experienced flooding. One of the structures demolished was constructed by a high ranking national government official.

As a security officer and during election, he adapted measures to preempt criminal and or illegal activities that involved two (2) star rank officers and a congressman.

Illegal vendors became a perennial problem and considered as nuisance that called the attention of the city mayor.

The second task was to organize a City Demolition Unit (CDU) to look into the situation. Again, he organized and trained CDU members as a major work force of the job.

The effective implementation of the demolition created another concern that needs to be addressed immediately as a part of the special social concern of the city mayor. Through legislative intervention, a law was passed with ordinance number 089-13 series of 2013 to cover the creation of the night market known as Tiangge Sa Katawhan (TSK). The beneficiaries of the TSK were the demolished indigent vendors in order for them to continuously sell their goods in a proper place designated by the city government. This is one of a kind operating in Davao City if not in the whole country. It became a tourist attraction.

The uncoordinated implementation of infrastructures by other government agencies operating in the city got a negative impact from the constituents due to diggings and unfinished constructions.

The third task was to organize and unify the national and local government agencies operating in Davao City to come up with a comprehensive plan to resolve the issues. Task Force Drainage (TFD) was organized under executive order number 13 to look into the problem and he was the chairperson.

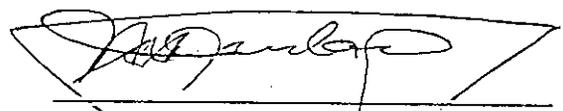
Throughout the operation of the TFD, the office completed 9 unfunded and 28 funded projects, 28 ongoing projects and 128 projects for implementations with funds for the 3 districts with total programmed projects worth Php4.9B+.

## C. COMMENDATION:

The Mayor of Davao City and the President elect of the Republic of the Philippines Rodrigo R. Duterte gave a plaque of appreciation last June 27, 2016 to the undersigned for his commitment to the service of the people of Davao City.

## D. STATEMENT OF THE CITY MAYOR:

"I think the third most important person dito sa gobyerno ngayon, considering the gravity or seriousness of the problem of Davao City, would be Jimlani and he will have our support one hundred percent," (reference Sunstar Davao dated 26 July 2013).



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