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The following were the major activities and accomplished tasks of the NDFP-nominated section in the Joint Secretariat for the period September 1 to October 31, 2013.

I. Complaints

There were 41 complaint forms received by the Joint Secretariat during the period September 1 to October 31, 2013 all of which were against the GRP/GPH.

The new numbered complaint forms brought the total number of submitted complaint forms to 5,553 or an increase of 0.74% over the last period. The total complaint forms against the GPH now constitute 65.93% of all complaint forms or 3,661 while those against the NDFP constitute 34.07% or 1,892 (see Figure 1).

I.A. On the complaint forms submitted against the NDFP

In October 2013, the NDFP-MC and NDFP-JS held consultations regarding the 33 complaints submitted against the forces of the NDFP from January 2011 to November 2012. It was decided that the term "Further Investigation" by the NDFP Human Rights Committee (NDFP-HRC) replace the previous category "Further Study by the NDFP-HRC." Nine (9) complaint forms were classified as such during the consultations.

It was moreover determined that only 82 complaint forms against the NDFP appear to be valid as of this reporting period, consisting of 73 for verification by concerned organs of the revolutionary movement and 9 for further investigation by the NDFP-HRC. Twenty-six (26) complaint forms were categorized for further research by the NDFP-MC, one (1) for review and evaluation also by the

NDFP-MC, and 21 for form and content study by the NDFP-JS (See Table 1).

Table 1

Complaints for study and verification 82

For verification by concerned organs 73

For further investigation by the NDFP-HRC 9

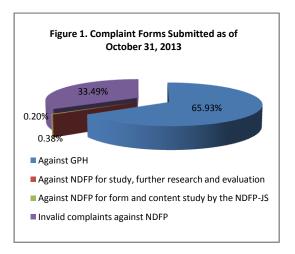
For further research by the NDFP-MC 26

For review and evaluation by the NDFP-MC 1

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The following pie chart (Figure 1) shows the breakdown of all the complaints submitted against both the GRP/GPH and the NDFP.

For form and content study by the NDFP-JS



I.B. On the complaint forms submitted against the GRP/GPH

All 41 complaints against the GPH in the current reporting period involved violations of human rights, with all complaints involving violations of civil and political rights.

Twenty-one (21) complaints involved violations of international humanitarian law, all of which involved violations against

the rights of civilians. These violations consist of divestment of property, exploitation of children in the context of armed conflict, use of public places and private residences for military purposes and/or endangerment of civilians, destruction of property, and forcible evacuation/displacement.

All 41 complaints against the GPH involved violations of individual rights, 14 of which also involved violations of collective rights, specifically the use of public places for military purposes and/or endangerment to civilians (see Table 2).

Table 2

Violations of HR	41	
Civil and Political Rights	41	
Violations of IHL	21	
Against Civilians	21	
Violations of Individual Rights	41	
Violations of Collective Rights	14	

In terms of type of violations, there were nine (9) complaints involving violations against the right to life. In these complaints, there were four (4) instances of physical abuse, three (3) instances of torture, two (2) instances of indiscriminate gunfire/strafing/bombing, and one (1) instance of frustrated killing.

There were six (6) complaints involving violations against property with seven (7) incidents of divestment of property and one (1) incident of destruction of property.

All 41 complaints involved violations of other rights. The most common were threat/harassment/intimidation with 39 instances; coercion with 20 instances; use of private residences, schools and other public places for military purposes and/or endangerment of civilian with 15 instances; and violation of domicile with 10 instances.

As to violations of sectoral or specific rights, there were three (3) complaints reporting instances of exploitation of children in the context of armed conflict.

Table 3 is a complete tabulation of the types of rights violated and the number of instances for each type of violation.

Table 3

Type of Violation	No. of Incident(s)		
Threat/Harassment/Intimidati	ion 39		
Coercion	20		
Use of Public Places and Privat	te 15		
Residences for Military Purpos	ses		
and/or Endangerment of			
Civilians			
Violation of Domicile	10		
Divestment of Property	7		
Illegal Search	4		
Inhuman, Cruel and/or	4		
Degrading Treatment			
Physical Abuse	4		
Arbitrary or Unjustified	4		
Detention			
Torture	3		
Exploitation of Children in the	3		
Context of Armed Conflict			
Criminalization of Political Act	s 3		
Unjustified or Arbitrary Arrest	3		
Strafing, Indiscriminate Gunfire	e, 2		
Bombing			
Destruction of Property	1		
Frustrated Killing	1		
Forcible	1		
Evacuation/Displacement			
Forced Labor/Involuntary	1		
Servitude			
TOTAL	125		

Twenty-eight (28) victims were identified as adult women while 5,180 adult victims were of unspecified gender. There were 12 children and minor victims, ten of whom were males.

Thirty-eight (38) of the reported incidents in the complaints took place in 2013 while three (3) took place in 2012. Thirty-seven (37) of the incidents occurred in Bicol while the rest took place in Eastern Visayas, Western Visayas, Caraga, and Southern Mindanao. See Table 4 for a breakdown of the incidents by year and province.

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Region/Province	2012	2013	TOTAL
Bicol	2	35	37
Camarines Norte	1	20	21
Camarines Sur	1	14	15
Albay	0	1	1
Western Visayas	1	0	1
Negros Occidental	1	0	1
Eastern Visayas	0	1	1
Samar	0	1	1
Caraga	0	1	1
Agusan del Sur	0	1	1
ARMM	0	1	1
Maguindanao	0	1	1
TOTAL	3	38	41

Combined forces of the AFP, PNP and paramilitary were perpetrators in two (2) complaints. AFP elements were named perpetrators in majority (36) of the complaints. Table 5 shows the different perpetrators.

Table 5

Alleged Perpetrators	No. of Complaints	
AFP	36	
PNP	3	
Paramilitary	2	
LGU	1	
Unclassifiable	1	

Thirty-seven (37) complaints were filed by Karapatan-Bikol while the rest were filed by the Children's Rehabilitation Center.