



## PHILCONGEN LOS ANGELES HOSTS GLOBAL LAUNCH OF POLICE COMMUNITY RELATIONS GROUP



*(Left photo) Consul General Adelio Angelito S. Cruz addresses the audience.*

*(Right photo) PCRG Director, PCSUPT Rhodel O. Sermonia addresses the audience.*

Los Angeles, 24 September 2018 – The Philippine Consulate General hosted the first overseas launch of the Philippine National Police (PNP) Police Community Relations (PCR) Program, led by the Group's Director, Police Chief Superintendent (PCSUPT) Rhodel O. Sermonia. The event was held at the Consulate Generals' community hall on 21 September 2018.

At the event, PCSUPT Sermonia informed the audience that the launch of the Global PCR aims to forge stronger relations between the police and the community through its partner-stakeholders and partner non-government organizations, both in the Philippines and overseas. The initiative seeks to address security-related issues and concerns of Overseas Filipino Workers abroad and their families. He also mentioned that the PNP's foremost concern is to connect with overseas Filipinos, and respond to their concerns and queries related to peace and security.

Through the PCRG website (<https://pcrg.pnp.gov.ph/>), Twitter account ([https://twitter.com/pnp\\_pcrq?lang=en](https://twitter.com/pnp_pcrq?lang=en)), and its Facebook account (<https://www.facebook.com/PNP.TagapagUgnay/>), overseas Filipinos can easily connect and report crimes occurring in the Philippines from abroad, as well as seek assistance from the Philippine National Police.

The event was attended by about 50 members of the Filipino-American community and press. END.



*A member of the audience engages PCRG Director Sermonia during the Q&A session.*



*(2<sup>nd</sup> from L-R) Consul General Cruz, PCRG Director Sermonia, Mrs. Cherry Pie Sermonia, PNP Attache Eric Noble.*



*(4<sup>th</sup> from L-R) PNP Police Attache to San Francisco Eric Noble, Consul General Cruz, PCRG Director Sermonia with members of the Filipino-American community and press.*