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**PANGELINAN MEETS WITH  
NAVFAC ACQUISITIONS ASSISTANT COMMANDER**

**FOR IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE (October 4, 2010) – HAGÁTÑA** – During his visit to Washington, D.C., Senator vicente "ben" c. pangelinan met with Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Assistant Commander for Acquisitions, Mr. Robert Griffin discussing topics related to the military build-up on Guam. As the Chairperson of the Committee on Appropriations, Taxation, Banking, Retirement, and Land, Senator pangelinan prompted the meeting to ensure that Guam does not lose any opportunities and gain greater support and cooperation from NAVFAC related to contract awards, taxation, labor and wage law enforcement, land issues, and the real estate market.

Senator pangelinan says, "My meeting with Mr. Griffin went very well. We both agreed that Guam must collect our fair share of taxes on military projects in order to properly plan and fund activity that is paramount to our success as a host community for the Military Realignment of Marines from Okinawa."

Senator pangelinan and Mr. Griffin discussed the Senator's goal to secure support from NAVFAC with assisting the Department of Revenue & Taxation. Other topics discussed were potential labor agreements, the prevailing wage and its administration to contract awards, and the Military Housing Privatization Initiative.

"Although the Military Housing Privatization Initiative has been successfully implemented in places like Hawaii, I have some concerns about its impact to the local real estate market. The real estate community is potentially at risk because of this initiative and I want to ensure that we do everything possible to protect the current local rental market" concluded the Senator.

Mr. Griffin is scheduled to be on Guam this week, and at his request, Senator pangelinan will meet with Mr. Griffin and NAVFAC Marianas Acquisitions Director, Mr. Andrew Wall.

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