

## Philippine Air Force Tours Hawaii National Guard Facilities at Wheeler Army Airfield.



As a part of an ongoing exchange of military experience and expertise between the United States and the Philippines, members of the Philippine Air Force recently toured Hawaii National Guard Facilities at Wheeler Army Air Field. The delegation was briefed on the aviation capabilities of the Hawaii Army National Guard and inspected its airframes. Of special interest to General Lauro Dela Cruz, Com-

manding General Philippine Air Force was the Hawaii Regional Air Operations Center where he discussed the efforts to improve his nation's radar and Air Force capabilities and was treated to an exercise demonstration in the operations center involving the 199th and 19th squadrons' F-22s and a suspicious aircraft - [See more:](#)



October 22, 2013. Hawaii State Civil Defense hosted its Hawaii Emergency Preparedness & Homeland Security Workshop. Leaders of emergency management institutions and state and federal agencies spent three days discussing and evaluating Hawaii's overall readiness while making aggressive plans for future developments.

## Isle Army Guard To Be Eyes In Sky In Afghanistan

by William Cole



Some Hawaii Army National Guard soldiers will soon be flying missions in unarmed civilian turboprop aircraft over battle zones in Afghanistan.

They'll be able to see — but will be flying high above — the action on the ground for safety, and have helicopters and fighter jets to call on.

The Detachment 55 soldiers will be using Super King Air 300s loaded with high-resolution sensors and cameras to support troops on the ground.

“I think we've been trained well enough where we mitigated a lot of (the) risks, and there is support around us,” said Capt. Jeffrey Chang, a deploying pilot. “We're not flying solo, so we

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The Hawaii National Guard, along with the Active Duty Army, conducted a China PLA Disaster Management Exchange (DME) final planning conference meeting on October 18th. Maj. Gen. Wong hosted RDML Li during the office call and discussed the upcoming exchange in November. The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the schedule, scenario and some logistics for the DME.