Medina vows QCPD 'continuity'

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newly designated Quezon City Police District (QCPD) chief Brig. Gen. Remus Medina vowed to institute reforms within the district to ensure law and order in the city.

During turnover ceremonies Saturday with outgoing QCPD director Brig. Gen. antonio yarra and Mayor Joy Belmonte in attendance at Camp Karingal, Medina said he'll crack the whip on erring cops.

a former chief of the Philippine national Police Drug Enforcement Group (PnP-DEG), Medina belongs to the Philippine national Police academy "tagapaglunsad" Class of 1993.

Medina said he'll continue the administrative and operational initiatives of yarra who, in turn, said he'll always be proud to have been a member of QCPD.

the new QCPD chief cited the need to sustain the momentum and the gains made by the QCPD under yarra and its past chiefs.

"i have, therefore, nothing else to commit but to continue the plans and programs of my predecessor and to help fulfill and achieve the genuine change for our constituents — especially the people of Quezon City," Medina said.

as a former chief of PDEG, Medina said fighting illegal drugs within Quezon City will also be at the top of his agenda, with a reward and punishment system for cops.

Medina has held various positions in the PnP, including as senior executive assistant of the Chief PnP, chief of the district directorial staff at Eastern Police District and chief of the regional intelligence division of the national Capital Region Police office.

yarra said members of the QCPD have faced adversities and challenges squarely, adding he's proud of the resiliency of the men and women he had to chance to work within the district.

"they (Quezon City cops) are like muscles that grow through the pain of exercising. they are determined to use adversity to keep growing and they are ready and eager to serve with you," yarra told Medina.