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“OPERATION KIDS PROGRAM”

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**NPDF DELEGATION ATTENDS 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF DOMINICAN
NATIONAL POLICE AND MEETS POLICE GENERAL TO DISCUSS
PROPOSED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR POLICE FAMILIES**

MORGANVILLE, NJ, MARCH 7, 2011: An NPDF Delegation attended the 75th Anniversary of the Dominican Republic National Police in Santo Domingo on March 4, 2011.

Executive Director Joseph Occhipinti presented a "Special Achievement Award" to Major General Jose Armando Polanco Gomez in recognition of his many law enforcement accomplishments and efforts in modernizing its police force.

In addition, NPDF officials discussed with General Polanco Gomez a proposed "Operation Kids" project that would fund an elementary school in Santo Domingo for the children of police officers.

It should be noted that Dominican Police Officers' average salary in this Caribbean island averages about \$190 per month and the NPDF's funding of this school would financially help police families.

The Operation Kids program, a congressionally recognized child safety initiative of the National Police Defense Foundation, (1) distributes child fingerprint/DNA kits to parents (2) posts rewards for the safe recovery of missing and kidnapped children (3) arranges life saving operations for critically ill children and (4) funds "Project Pedophile" to help prosecute and convict pedophiles operating on the Internet. This program demonstrates law enforcements commitment to protect our children from criminal elements and life threatening illnesses.

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