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11 October 2024 - H.E. Ambassador Maria Lumen B. Isleta met with Filipino students and attended the graduation ceremony and awards night of the World Maritime University (WMU) in Malmö, Sweden, on Saturday, 02 November 2024.

The WMU Class of 2024 consisted of 260 graduates from more than 70 countries, of which nine (9) were Filipino nationals, coming from the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), and Maritime Academy for Asia and the Pacific.

The Filipino graduates include the following: Ms. Marie Shermaine Andrade, Mr. Marlon Bulan, Mr. Jonrey Caderon, Ms. Aracelli Anne De Silva-Lucenecio, Mr. Mao Tze Bayotas, Mr. Patrick John Cabasag, Ms. Livia Endozo, Ms. Kimmy Carrie Necesario and Mr. Ralph Torio.

Mr. Bayotas received the special award for Maritime Energy Management Masteral Course.

Ambassador Isleta also had the opportunity to meet with some of the incoming Filipino students for the WMU Class of 2025, many of whom participated during the graduation ceremony as part of the WMU Chorale. A total of nine (9) Filipino students have been accepted to the WMU Class

of 2025 – three (3) female PCG officers, five (5) female MARINA officials, and one (1) male from the private sector.

The WMU is currently helmed by President Maximino Mejia Jr., the Philippines' former head of the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) and himself an alumnus of the WMU. END



Photo above: (from left) Professor Maximo Q. Mejia, Jr. (President of WMU), H.E. Ambassador Maria Lumen B. Isleta, Mr. Arsenio A. Dominguez (Secretary General of the International Maritime Organization in London and currently, WMU Chancellor) (right of Ambassador Isleta).



The graduates with their diplomas