



# CUSTOMS & QUARANTINE AGENCY, GUAM

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### **11<sup>th</sup> Customs Training Cycle Underway**

BARRIGADA, GUAM – The 11<sup>th</sup> Customs and Quarantine Agency (CQA) Training Cycle is underway consisting of 27 expected trainees.

On Monday, April 29, 2019, fourteen customs trainees reported to the CQA's headquarters at Tiyan for the start of the 11<sup>th</sup> Customs Cycle. Eight are currently being processed and are scheduled to report by the end of May with the remaining five to be processed upon their return from military deployment.



11<sup>th</sup> Customs Training Cycle in formation.

The 11<sup>th</sup> Cycle will undergo a combination of training to include completing the customs in-service training conducted by the CQA as well as complete the Guam Community College's criminal justice academy. Upon completing the above training, each will become POST certified and credentialed customs officers.

With the last training cycle having graduated in 2014, Director Ike Peredo states, "I am thankful to the Leon Guerrero and Tenorio administration's commitment to public safety and shoring up Guam's borders by hiring additional customs officers. CQA is now one step closer to adequate staffing to properly protect Guam against invasive species, public health concerns, and illicit narcotics while continuing to facilitate legitimate commerce and travel."

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