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### 2016 GRADUATION CEREMONY HELD FOR NEW CLASS OF ADULT CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS

HONOLULU – The Department of Public Safety (PSD) today welcomed a new class of adult correctional officers at a graduation ceremony held at the Hale Koa Hotel in Honolulu. 33 recruits graduated from Basic Corrections Recruit Class (BCRC) 16-02 training and will begin their careers as correctional officers in facilities across the state.

BCRC is a 9-week training that includes 360 hours of classroom time and physical training. Recruits learn standard of conduct, professionalism and ethics, report writing, interpersonal communications, maintaining security, crisis intervention, security threat groups (gangs), firearms, self-defense tactics, and physical exercise.

“The job of a correctional officer in a prison or jail is difficult but also rewarding,” said Training Sergeant-in-Charge Dzuong K. Le. “Corrections officers are charged with protecting inmates, staff, visitors and ultimately the community. I know they have what it takes to be successful in a challenging environment.”

All incoming classes receive Recruit Field Training along with Basic Corrections Training. That means, during the final weeks of training, they go into the facility and begin their job with the guidance of their training sergeants.

The 33 graduates have been assigned to the following jail and prison facilities:

Oahu Community Correctional Center	9
Maui Community Correctional Center	5
Hawaii Community Correctional Center	3
Women’s Community Correctional Center	4
Kulani Correctional Facility	2
Halawa Correctional Facility	6
Waiawa Correctional Facility	4

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