

Vice-Chancellor Witness the Commissioning Of Rank For Corporal Aricco Junitih

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THURSDAY, 04 APRIL – A commissioning of rank ceremony was held today at the Executive Board Meeting Room Chancellery Building Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS). Lance Corporal Aricco Junitih, 23, was promoted to the rank of Corporal witnessed by UMS Vice-Chancellor, Captain (H) Prof. Datuk Dr. Mohd Harun Abdullah.

The commissioning of rank was done by the Army Training and Doctrine Management Director, Brig. Gen. Datuk Abdul Halim Jalal. Also present was UMS Registrar Lt. Col. (H) Datuk Abdullah Hj. Mohd Said.

When met by reporters, Aricco said that he was touched by the gesture. He said he did not expect to be given such an honour which he deemed as a blessing and part of his achievement as a national weightlifter.

“I am grateful of this acknowledgement and promised to continue to give my utmost service to the nation,” he said.

This Kadazan lad who hails from Kampung Mensiang Menggatal is the youngest of six siblings. His involvement in the sports arena is a boost to the weightlifting sports through his many wins. The proudest achievement was when he contributed gold to the medal tally for the Malaysian contingent at the Commonwealth Games 2010 when he erased the old record for a new one in the clean and jerk 62 kilogramme category.

He then went into hiatus due to a mysterious illness befalling him in the mid of 2011 till 2012. Even though he is still in the process of recovery, Aricco promised that he will return to the weightlifting sport scene when he has fully recovered. - *FL*

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