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BAGUIO CITY AND BENGUET

LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

Chief of Baguio Prosecution Service Named

BAGUIO CITY – the more than a year wait for the Chief of the Prosecution Service in this mountain resort is now over with Malacanang picking its man.

President Benigno Aquino III officially signed the appointment of Prosecutor Sagsago last January 22.

Deputy City Prosecutor Elmer Manuel Sagsago took his Oath of Office as the new City Prosecutor of Baguio Thursday before Regional Prosecutor Nonnatus Caesar Rojas at the Hall of Justice here.

Sagsago was born on August 21, 1955 in Baguio but traces his roots from the hinterlands of the Cordilleras particularly Natonin, Mountain Province.

He replaced former City Prosecutor Gloria Agunos who retired September 28, 2013 with the post unfilled for 1 year and six months.

Sagsago was sworn into office wearing a traditional Baliwon Tribe costume in the presence of his mother Kathrina Manuel, now 80, family members, friends and employees of the Justice Hall.

His stint in government service started in 1984 as a legal researcher of the City Fiscal and slowly climbed the ladder until his appointment as the Deputy City Prosecutor in June of 2011.

Prior to his entry into the Prosecution Service, Sagsago was a civilian instructor of the Philippine Military Academy (PMA).

He is also an active professor in the College of Law of the University of Baguio (UB) and Saint Louis University (SLU)/Pul Rillorta



AFTER 30 LONG YEARS of dedicated public service, newly appointed City Prosecutor Elmer Sagsago, wearing the traditional attire of the Baliwon Tribe of Paracelis. Mountain Province, takes his oath of office before Regional Prosecutor Nonnatus Caesar Rojas at the Bulwagan Ng Katarungan last February 5./By Bong Cayabyab

Malaki ang tiwala namin sa kasalukuyang Baguio City Prosecutor, the Honorable Elmer Sagsago. Mabuhay Kayo !!!



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Mayor Still Optimistic on Road Train Project

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan is still optimistic of the planned Mono-rail Transport System which the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) hopes to run in this mountain resort.

Domogan said, “if everything goes as planned for the Mono-rail project, the city will soon have an alternative mode of transportation which is environment friendly and cost efficient.”

It can be recalled that the DOST is coming up with a Feasibility Study on the Automated Guideway Transit (AGT) or road train for the Central Business District (CBD) as another mode of transport for city residents.

Domogan said, “there is no word yet with regards to the Feasibility Study but hopes it will be finished soon.”

“We requested that the study will be expanded to cover the adjoining municipalities of La Trinidad, Itogon, Sablan, Tuba and Tublay (BLISST) last year that it why it is taking a little longer,” he said.

The idea of a mass transport system for the summer capital was hatched in 2013 after a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed between the DOST and the City government of Baguio to formally start a joint endeavour of conceptualizing an alternative mode of transportation system as a possible solution to pollution and traffic woes.

The project is being spearheaded by the DOST through the Metals Industry Research and Development Center (MIRDC-DOST) in consultation with the University of the Philippines-Diliman.

The AGT or road train technology is designed by Filipino engineers and scientists at UP and DOST-MIRDC.

The train is designed to be fully automated coaches that can hold passengers on the transport needs of BLISST which will run on rubber tires instead of metal wheels.

The results of the study will be presented to the BLISST municipalities and other concerned agencies and stakeholders when finished. Paul Rillorta

Mayor Warns Against Sidewalk Lease

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan met with vendors this week to thresh out problem areas of concern and discuss terms and conditions on the city's vending policy.

This came to ensure that misunderstanding between Public Order and Safety Division (POSD) personnel and vendors will be addressed.

Domogan said, “there will be no let-up in the implementation of the no vending policy in areas not allowed under the city's ordinance.”

He however insured they will not be deprived of their livelihood if they adhere to the rules set forth

Council Okays 21 Departmental Budgets; 12 More Up for Deliberation

BAGUIO CITY – The city council has approved 21 department budgets in the past three sessions and 12 more are scheduled for discussion when the budget deliberations resume tomorrow (Monday) at 2 p.m.

The body gave the green light to the budgets of the following: city assessor's office, city human resource management office, accounting office, Municipal Trial Court in Cities, office of the city auditor, civil registry office, Regional Trial Court, city library, PhilHealth subsidy, Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center (BGHMC), city engineering office, city legal office, city treasurer's office, city buildings and architecture office, Bureau of Fire Protection, city environment and parking management office, health services office, Public Attorney's Office, Parole and Probation Office, city prosecutor's office and the city council.

Up for deliberation are the proposed budgets of the city planning and development office, city administrator's office, general services office, budget office, non-office component, city veterinary office, Bureau of Jail Management and Penology male and female dormitories, Baguio City Police Office, city mayor's office, office of the city social welfare and development and the city schools division.

Also up for review is the proposed Annual Investment Plan (AIP) which lists the projects of the city government for this year.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan said the 2015 AIP “allocates P180,656,000, which is 12.03 percent of the city's total budget, for various programs, projects and activities (PPAs) to be funded under the 2015 development fund after a thorough process of project identification and prioritization.”

“Basically focused on enhancing people's welfare,

this plan contains PPAs to address the concerns of the city specifically on solid waste management, improvement of Baguio Convention Center, road concreting, sewerline projects, traffic and transportation master plan, developed by the city government.

Domogan said, “vendors who were given identification cards can only vend in areas designated for the purpose.”

“Those who will violate will no longer be allowed to sell, their issued I.D.s will be confiscated,” he said.

Domogan also warned enterprising businessmen who lease parts of the sidewalk to vendors to stop the practice stating it is against the law.

“They know that the sidewalk does not belong to any private per-

son and should not be leased out,” he said.

“As long as they follow rules, they will have no problem with our POSD team,” he said.

Paul Rillorta

Lawyer Tells AFP, PNP: Don't Let Mamasapano Incident Divide You

“You are not at war with each other, so shut up and stop fighting in public.”

This was the message of Senator Chiz Escudero to the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and the Philippine National Police (PNP) in the face of the debacle over the deaths of 44 members of the elite police force who were on a mission to get an international terrorist in Mamasapano, Maguindanao last week.

Instead of bickering in public, the leadership of the AFP and the PNP should take their cases to the Board of Inquiry (BOI) and other probe panels that will investigate the Mamasapano carnage, Escudero said.

“If they have so much to say, they can do so within the walls of the Board of Inquiry and before the probing panels. If they want to fight, go lock themselves in a room and do not drag the public into it,” Escudero reminded the AFP and the PNP.

The senator said the ongoing word war between the police and the military over responsibility and liability in the PNP Special Action Force operation “is not only unhealthy but unprofessional, as well. It goes to the path of using the incident to turn against each other when they are brothers in uniform.”

He added: “If they want respect, they better start by deserving it.”

According to Escudero, President Aquino should intervene as commander-in-chief to order both the AFP and the PNP to refrain from further issuing statements that would only stoke the fire.

“Our military and police forces should rally as one in support of law enforcement, justice and peace, and not be at war with each other,” Escudero said.

Domogan on Wednesday expressed hopes that the city council will speed up the approval of the budget to enable them to act on urgent concerns needing action by the body including the closure of the road for the Panagbenga activities and the grant of financial assistance for the Cordillera policemen who were killed in the celebrated Mamasapano, Maguindanao encounter last Jan. 25/A Refuerzo

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This is an Application for the Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ for the transportation of passengers and freight on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA-STO. TOMAS ROAD and vice versa, with the use of one (1) unit

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on February 18, 2015 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRB Office, Paodal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.

At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and may if they so desire, appear during the hearing.

This application shall be acted upon by the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 28th day of January 2015.

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Stories and Photographs on Pope Francis Visit Wanted

BAGUIO CITY - If you had an interesting, extraordinary, or inspirational experience during Pope Francis' visit to the Philippines last January 15 to 19, share that story either through writing or photographs.

Anvil Publishing, Inc., one of the country's major book publishers, is putting together "Mabuhay, Pope Francis!", a book about the Papal visit.

Stories for submission must be an anecdote of one's personal story during the pope's visit. The story must be only not more than 500 words with a short title of not more than five words. The story must be in English. Writer's name, age, and occupation must be written at the end of the story.

As for those submitting a photograph, they are requested to submit two photographs. For ease in e-mailing, the first photo may be in lower resolution as long as it is clear and sharp enough to view easily on a computer monitor. A high resolution copy of the photo must be kept in case the submitted photo is chosen for the book.

Photo for submission must include a one-sentence caption about the image and the date the photo was taken. Photographer's name, age, and occupation must also be included.

Submission must be submitted via e-mail to anvilconnect@gmail.com with the subject line "Pope in the Philippines 2015 story/photo submission". A cover note must be included. Included in the submission entry must be one's full name, mailing address, landline and cell phone numbers, and other e-mail addresses (if applicable).

Deadline for submission is on February 6, 2015.

Queries may be sent to anvilconnect@gmail.com with the subject line Question: Pope in the Philippines 2015 story/photo submission./JDP/Pryce E. Quintos- PIA CAR

Roxas Visits Wake of Cordilleran SAF Heroes

BAGUIO CITY — Interior and Local Government Secretary Manuel Roxas together with Philippine National Police and other government officials visited last Monday the wake of some of the Cordillerans who were among the 44 PNP-Special Action Force(SAF) killed in M a m a s a p a n o , Maguindao on January 25.

What went wrong?" Janet Bolinget-Carap, widow of PO2 Peterson Carap, exclaimed to Roxas and other officials, at the cop's wake at the Resurrection of the Cathedral Church.

The widow asked Roxas how a fully trained group of police commandos were left to

die in an operation they called as a "misencounter."

"I appreciate that a government official came to my husband's wake. But if there is no explanation, I will not be contented," said Janet who is left with their four year old son. She stressed that someone should be held accountable and there should be justice for the now called "SAF 44".

At Irisan at the wake of PO2 Walner Danao, Camp 7 Punong Barangay Constancio Danao, uncle of the fallen police officer, stood as the spokesperson of the bereaved family. He told the secretary of the family's

Philhealth – CAR Enlists 86% of Population; Pushes for Universal Health Care Coverage

BAGUIO CITY - To achieve universal health insurance coverage to ensure financial risk protection of every Filipino family remains to be the overarching goal of the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation or popularly known as Philhealth.

Alma Laarni Manzano of PhilHealth Cordillera Regional office, in an interview over PIA Hour at DZWT 540 Radyo Totoo, reported that they have already enlisted 757,920 members comprising 86 percent of the region's population.

Towards achieving universal health care coverage, the Philhealth – CAR through the initiative of Regional Vice President Gerry Ibay, launched project "GUAPO" or Grassroots UHC (niversal Health Care) Project Officers that provides grassroots information, education communication (IEC) campaign around the region.

In terms of member's benefit, Manzano reported that in 2014, Philhealth paid 155,139 claims totaling to around P1.5 billion.

Aside from its health care benefits under the case rates system, Philhealth has also the 'TSeKAP or Tamang Serbisyon Kalusugan

outlook for an all out war against the rebels in Mindanao instead of having peace talks. The peace and order problem in Mindanao has been going on for more than 40 years now, and the government is having peace talks with the Moro rebels but no positive result so the need for brutal force to attain peace and at the same time give justice to the fallen heroes, he said.

Roxas calmly explained that there is a need for the government to resolve the situation in Mindanao in a peaceful manner and the government is doing all the things necessary to attain lasting peace in Mindanao.

He assured the immediate release of benefits to the families of the SAF44. Roxas who sits as Napolcom Chairman said the benefits include gratuity equivalent to one year salary, monthly

pension for five years equivalent to 80 percent of the deceased's basic monthly pay, and burial expenses equivalent to three months basic salary.

The children of the 44 slain SAF members shall likewise receive scholarship grants for their education from elementary to college.

Roxas was accompanied by National Capital Regional Police Office Chief Director Carmelo Valmorita and SAF officer-in-charge C/Supt Noel Talino escorted by PRO_COR RD PC Supt. Isagani Nerez . The group earlier in the day visited the remains of another SAF commando, PO2 Noble Kiangin in Mankayan, Benguet.

15 of the 44 SAF fallen heroes were from the CAR. They died in Mamasapano in an encounter with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front during a risky operation to neutralize bomb makers Zulkifli bin Hir and Abdul Basit Osman./JDP/RMC- PIA CAR



LET A THOUSAND FLOWERS BLOOM – The 20th Baguio Flower Festival (Panagbenga) starts with a merry making where city officials headed by Mayor Mauricio Domogan, Cong Nicasio Aliping Jr and Vice Mayor Edison Bilog with street dancers from various elementary and secondary school students march down to Session Road to the Baguio Athletic Bowl. The Grand Street Dancing will be held on February 28 while the much awaited Grand Float Parade will follow a day after(March 1) ./By Bong Cayabyab

Pampamilya' program which aims to provide preventive care services to their sponsored program members, and overseas workers, as well as Department of Education employees for their employed members.

PhilHealth's TSEKAP provides preventive services such as blood pressure measurement and consultation; diagnostics such as Complete Blood Count and urinalysis, and provision of selected drug/medicines like those for

asthma, low-risk urinary tract infection and upper respiratory infections, Manzano said.

For the qualified members, the first thing they need to do is to register to TSEKAP providers near them such as health centers, rural health units and outpatient department of government hospitals. In the case of Baguio, it is the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center.

Manzano explained that that for the TSEKAP providers' services to PhilHealth members, PHIC pays Per Family PhilHealth Rate (PFPR) so the care providers can have additional budget for their medicines and other health facility needs./JDP/CCD – PIA CAR

Expect chilly temperature this Feb., PAGASA-Baguio

BAGUIO CITY -- Activities for Panagbenga 2015 are starting to heat up since it opened last Sunday, but the cold temperature in the city felt especially in the early morning and late afternoon to evening is getting even lower.

Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA - Baguio) weather observer Ian Jasper Pelayo, in an interview, said expect cold temperature for the whole month of February due to the northeast monsoon affecting Luzon and the Visayas.

Based on PAGASA forecast, the northeast monsoon can bring cloudy skies with light rains and moderate to strong wind, and temperature that ranges from 10 to 22 degrees Celsius, he said.

Pelayo said the lowest temperature recorded in Baguio for the year is 9.8 degrees Celsius last February 2.

The coldest temperature so far in Baguio city was 6.3 degrees Celsius, recorded in January 1961.

The multitude of visitors who are expected to troop to the city for the Panagbenga are advised to pack jackets or warmers to protect themselves from the cold weather./JDP/CCD/Christine Faye Kim – UC Intern

Pope Francis Beyond Manila

What events are shaping beyond Pope Francis' successful visit to the Philippines? The Associated Press' Nicole Winfield asked en route to Rome from Manila on the papal flight last Jan. 19.

Which cities in America will you visit? While there, will you go to California for the canonization of Junipero Serra?

Do you intend to preside over the beatification ceremony of El Salvador's Archbishop Oscar Romero? Where? And are you heading to some African and Latin American nations?

"There'll be a war between Cardinal Amato and Monsignor Paglia over which of the two will do the Romero beatification," Francis said, chuckling. Beatifications are normally done by the cardinal of the dicastery.

A shy conservative prelate, Archbishop Romero turned into a blunt, fearless critic of El Salvador's military junta for its abuses. A sniper killed him while he was raising the consecrated host at Mass.

The three US cities are Philadelphia (for the meeting of families), New York and Washington, plus perhaps a stopover at the United Nations, Francis said.

What if President Barack Obama or the US Congress invites you? Francis waved that aside—for now.

"I'd like to go to California for Junipero Serra's canonization, but there is the problem of time," the Pope added. It requires two more days. So I will do that canonization at the National Shrine of the Immaculate

EDITORIAL

Conception in Washington.

Born in Majorca, Spain, in 1713, Father Serra joined the Franciscan order in 1730. He became an eminent theological professor before relinquishing his comfortable life to evangelize in the Americas. From 1769 to 1835, 90,000 Indians were baptized along the US West Coast, from San Diego to San Francisco.

The decision to canonize will not be unanimous. Some prominent critics dub Serra as less than saintly, the New York Times reports.

Deborah Miranda, professor at Washington and Lee University, flays mission mythology as masking the forced stay of about 310,000 Indians in what is now California. Only one-sixth remained 100 years later.

Mission Dolores, in San Francisco's Mission District, was founded by Serra in 1776. Made of adobe and wood, the simple white church abuts a garden and cemetery of slanting tombstones of people with Spanish and Irish names.

More than 5,700 Indians, many of whom died prematurely, are buried at the mission. In one unmarked trench are the remains of 363 Indians who contracted measles from Europeans. All are buried under what is now church offices, a school, and a parking lot. The only indicator at the mission of their deaths is one thin, wooden gravestone.

The Pope plans to go to the Central African Republic and Uganda this year. "I think this will be toward the end of the year, because of the weather," he said. "They have to calculate when there won't be rains, when there won't be bad weather. This trip is a bit overdue, because there was the Ebola problem. It is a big responsibility to hold big gatherings—contagion, no?"

The Latin American countries foreseen to be visited this year—everything is still in draft form—are Ecuador, Bolivia and Paraguay. These three.

"Next year, God willing—but everything is still in draft—I would like to go to Chile, Argentina and Uruguay. Peru is missing there, but we don't know where to put it."

The afterglow from Francis' Manila visit continues. On the papal flight, Filipino reporter Kara David of GMA7 asked: Is there something the Holy Father learned from the Filipinos?

It was challenging, and, as we say in Spanish, "pasada per agua" (it rained on the parade). It is beautiful. The gestures! The gestures moved me, Francis said. They are not protocol gestures, but felt gestures, gestures of the heart. Some almost make one weep. There's everything there: faith, love, the family, the future.

A second gesture is an enthusiasm that is not feigned, a joy, a happiness (alegría), a capacity to celebrate.

Even under the rain, one of the masters of ceremonies told me that he was edified because who were serving never lost the smile on their face. No, no! It was a smile that just came, and behind that smile there is a normal life, there are pains, problems.

There's a word that's difficult for us to understand because it has been vulgarized too much, used too much, but it's a word that has substance: resignation. A people who knows how to suffer, and is capable of

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Benjamin Netanyahu,
Israel Prime Minister
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MAMASAPANO, WHAT NEXT?

BY: JESUS DUREZA



For those many of us who are watching from the sidelines and from a distance the events unfolding, it's been an emotionally draining week due to the Mamasapano incident. It's a mixture of shock, disbelief, anger, grief! Many a tear has been shed. The agony that struck the sensitivities of all Pinoys still lingers and will continue to linger.

So, where do we go from here?

That reminds me of that favorite line of the Romans of yore that became the title of that old movie "QUO VADIS", meaning "where to", "where are we going" "what next". On this, I have a few thoughts of my own I wish to share.

FAMILIES - For the families and loved ones of those who died, it is still about grappling with the reality, accepting the painful loss. It is still denial to some. It is about recalling those last moments like the last phone call or the last "goodbye" or those last intimate moments. It is also about how to grapple with life without them. At this time, it is still grief and pain. The human dimension of it all is replete with anecdotal vignettes that if recalled, told and re-told help numb the pain and give temporary solace to those grieving, shunting aside for some fleeting moment about grim death and its concomitant pains. But then, for now, it's more about getting satisfactory answers for their question: "why this?"

MALACANANG — For the palace, it is about telling the angry and suspicious public what actually happened. It is about accountability for what has been perceived as a blunder, a big mistake, a "faux pas", a seeming cover-up. It's about bringing justice to all by punishing those responsible.

Many believe there's a cover-up story to evade accountability even in the highest level: the presidency. It is about stemming the tide of anger and discontent that may lead to public disorder that can seriously undermine the stability of the government. To some it is about President Aquino showing sincere compassion and owning up to his role and responsibility. It's about Citizen No. 1 having the integrity and moral courage to say "I'm sorry", if necessary. It's about the public expectation that President Aquino stops his glib, insincere and evasive posturings and instead takes full responsibility for what happened. Then and only then can he lead in the first step of healing a badly divided nation. Anything short of this will not be acceptable. Anything less will not mollify an already angry and grieving nation.

CONGRESS — As for Congress, it must learn from the lessons of the incident in crafting the law that will entrench the peace agreement by providing the necessary safeguards in the so-called BBL. It must give the mandate to an independent high level body which must look into what actually happened, sparing no one. Never mind the never-ending congressional investigation. Political alignments will screw things up. It will only bring more unnecessary agony and disbelief to all.

Moreover, there is more urgent need now NOT to rush the BBL entrenchment but allow a longer transition period to heal the wounds of distrust worsened and inflicted by this Mamasapano incident. The congressional hearings may have to await the report of that independent investigative body. Also, we need to give sufficient and reasonable time for the MILF to regain lost ground and show its capability to clear its area of the bad guys and do good governance. As of now, there is preponderance of anger against them and distrust. Moreover, it has to mature into a political party to be able to fairly compete with others who

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

"Give Marwan Reward Money to SAF Families"

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "...In my distress I called to the LORD; I cried to my God for help. From his temple he heard my voice; my cry came before him, into his ears..." (Psalm 18:6, the Holy Bible).

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"GIVE MARWAN REWARD MONEY MUST GO TO SAF 44 FAMILIES": Lawyer and gun enthusiast Ernesto Tabujara III (or Ticky to his friends and fraternity brothers at the UP College of Law Sigma Rho Fraternity) has a compelling suggestion on the US\$ 5 million reward for the killing of Malaysian terrorist Zulkifli bin Hir, alias Marwan: divide and distribute it equally to the families of the 44 Special Action Force officers and men who were killed in Mamasapano, Maguindanao.

Here's Ticky's formula for dividing that reward: "The honorable thing to do with the reward money is to split it evenly among the families of the slain 44 SAF troopers. So that math is US \$5 million divided by 44 = about US\$113,000, and @US\$1 = Php44 = approximately Php5 million per family. Plus counting approximately Php2 million in death benefits is pretty decent compensation for the families."

I can only agree to this proposition, since it is clear there are no civilian informers who can lay claim to the reward money, on account of official revelations that it was actually through the intelligence reports gathered by suspended Philippine National Police chief Gen. Alan Purisima that Marwan was traced and ultimately killed.

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HAS FBI REALLY CONFIRMED IT WAS MARWAN? But, did the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) of the United States really confirm already that it was Marwan who was killed in Maguindanao last January 25, 2015? It is rather odd that almost all of the news reports about the supposed FBI confirmation of the DNA test on Marwan came from unnamed sources. If FBI made a confirmation on Marwan, shouldn't that be officially announced by it?

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WHITEWASHING PNOY'S LIABILITY IN THE KILLING OF SAF 44: As expected, there is now a frenzied effort on the part of key officials of the Aquino government to absolve President Aquino of any liability in the Maguindanao killing of 44 SAF officers and men on January 25, 2015, with the AFP and the PNP leading the evident whitewash, even at the expense of its officials publicly berating each other.

First, AFP Chief of Staff Gen. Gregorio Catapang claimed the President did not have any liability for the death of the SAF operatives because he actually gave orders for the PNP to coordinate with the AFP. If his orders for the PNP and the AFP to coordinate were not followed, that was no longer the responsibility of the President, Catapang said, adding that the PNP was at fault for not providing the AFP details about the botched operation.

On the other hand, ousted PNP SAF chief Getulio Napanas had been saying that the deadly police operation was his sole responsibility, and no one else's. In one fell swoop, this claim of Napanas cleared not only PNP OIC Gen. Leonardo Espina and Interior Secretary Mar Roxas, but more importantly, even President Aquino himself.

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DIMENSIONAL ROAD

Recollections of Mandated Laws for Educational Institutions' Tours and Field Trips (PART 2)

BY: MARVIN WACNAG LIDAWAN



Section 23, under Article IX on sanctions makes it clear that," in order to ensure compliance with the guidelines and regulations stated in this CMO, Commission en Banc may, upon the recommendation of the Regional Offices and CHED legal services, impose the following sanctions depending on the nature and seriousness of the violation or non-compliance of Higher Education Institutions. Any HEI found guilty of violating any of the provisions contained in these guidelines may be subjected to the following sanctions: 1st offense, a written warning; 2nd offense is a suspension from conducting educational tours and field trips for a period of time as determined by the Commission en Banc, and the third offense results to the disapproval of the application for other school fees and introduction of fees of HEI; administrative and criminal charges against it/and/or its responsible officers under existing laws and the imposition of penalties such as revocation of permits, downgrading of status, phase-out and such other penalties may be validly imposed by the Commission to concerned HEIs."

To simplify based from CHED's CMO No.17 of its policies and guidelines on educational tours and field trips of college and graduate students, the CHED has carefully considered specific rudiments under three essential stages: before, during and after the educational tour or field trips.

Before the field educational tour/visit or field trip, the following standards has to be embedded: that the purpose of the educational activity should be linked with the college's curriculum, that the educational activity should have been earlier included in College Handbook which were reiterated earlier to freshmen's General Orientation, that it has to specify the faculty in charge's designation and roles before, during and after the activity; that it has been appropriately coordinated in advanced with local government units and concerned private offices, that a consultation has been conducted to participating students, faculty and sponsors with documented minutes of meetings and attendees' signatures, that the destination chosen be specified including the cost and benefit requirements, safety and its importance to the subject matter; that the funds and other resources are properly secured and accounted for; that a briefing must be conducted to concerned faculty and students for the purpose of providing the needed information materials; that if applicable, there should be a written plans by the accredited travel agency with the attached Gan Chart duly approved by the Higher Education Institution; a copy of the itinerary and travel agency's or tour operator's accreditation certificate issued by the Department of Transportation (DOT), that individual or group insurance for the students, faculty and other concerned participants must be provided standard format of learning journals must be given to students for documenting their educational activities, that the educational tour or field trip should be reminded to parents one (1) month to two (2) months before the slated date, that a risk assessment plans and preventive mea-

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THE MILF IS A TERRORIST GROUP

Let us look at MILF now. When they take over and with the BBL, will they have good governance? Will they be committed to democracy? Yun bang mahihirap nilang kababayan, tutulungan nila?

Ang sagot ko ay hindi, dahil they are a



terrorist group.

I thought nagbago sila, I thought they were going for peace. Pero tingnan niyo, noong panahon ni President Marcos at nabuo ang MNLF, nagkaroon ng Tri-poli agreement. Ang ginawa ng MILF founder, nagbuo ng MILF. Later on, panahon ni President Ramos, nang kinausap ang MNLF, ang MILF humiwalay na naman. Nang ang ARMM binuo, binigyan sila ng maraming pondo, ang international community.

Ano ang ginawa ng MILF? Ang mga base nila, ang mga nakukuha nilang pera sa gobyerno, ginawa ang mga tunnel, pinambili ng mga armas.

Wala pa akong nakakausap na pulis at militar, and I am hoping, sa Monday magsabi sila ng totoo, ang sabi sa akin kasi, ang MNLF, MILF, at BIFF, ang leadership magkaiba. Pero sa ilalim, same clans, magkakamag-anak, iisang grupo din lang yan.

NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MILF AND BIFF

Kasi sa kultura nila, dalawa lang: kalaban ka o kakampi. So kapamilya ka, you will be protected, o kaaway ka.

All throughout history, ang MILF, iisa ang modus niyan. Every time may makuha yan, ceasefire, may makuha ng pera, nagpapalakas nagpapadami ng armas, then negotiate for more. Of course, ang palagi nilang sinasabi they want self-determination at sila daw ay sinakop ng mga Pilipino.

Look at the BBL, ang BBL, ang sabi may police force sila, ang chief executive nila will be the ex officio commissioner. We will appoint all of the police, provincial papuntang pababa. 8,000 members yun, kasi for every 500 residents, isa. And there are around four million people there. So, 8,000 people. So ngayon pa lang, wala pang police force, rebelde pa lang sila, kapag pumasok ka para kumuha ng terorista o sa droga - by the way pwedeng pumasok ang military ng walang coordination - kinuha sila, anong ginawa, pinagpapatay ang 44 na SAF.

Ngayon pa lang na nanliligaw sila. Sinasabi nila, "hindi bale na, i-surrender na namin ang aming mga baril." Paano kung meron silang 8,000 na police force, tapos hindi tayo nag-coordinate dahil may terorista doon o kaya may mga drug lords doon?

THE BIGGEST PRIVATE ARMY IN THE COUNTRY

We will be creating the biggest private army this country has ever seen.

Kasi, ang BBL, tadtad ng coordination. Binuo nila na lahat sa kanila. May sariili talaga silang gobyerno. For example, gawaan ng shabu. Tapos papasukin ng NBI, natural, kung protektado ng pulis nila, hindi mo sasabihan ang pulis. Ang gagawin nila, hindi sila su-surrender. Babakbakan ka pabalik.

The same language kasi na ginagamit nila ngayon to justify ang pag-massacre ng 44 is all in the BBL.

Sa BBL kasi, puro coordinate. Eh sa BBL, gagawa lang ng kampo o may militar sa lugar nila, kailangan i-coordinate pa sa kanila. Where in the whole Philippines na ang military, kailangan mag-coordinate kung

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MAGKASANGGATAYO

**ISUSPINDE MUNA ANG
BBL KATARUNGAN PARA
SA SAF 44
(Re-print)
BY : NESTOR CASTRO**



ISUSPINDE MUNA ANG BBL- Hindi naman siguro kailangan ng kakaibang katalinuhan para unawain na isipin na kung bakit na sa poder ng MILF at ang kanilang break-away group na BIFF ang isang highly wanted na International terrorist na mayroon patong sa ulo na 6 million dollars at isang lokal na terrorist. Isipin naman ninyo mga dear readers, hindi pa nga na aaprubahan ang BBL law eh kinukupkop na nga ng MILF ang mga terorista eh di lalo na kapag aprubado na ang BBL, eh di lalong matindi na ang kapangyarihan ng MILF, lalong kawawa ang ating mga kababayan, kapulisan etc..., At bakit pinayagan ng gobyerno na magkaroon ng MILF controlled areas ang MILF na kung saan kailangan pa na tumimbre ang ating mga alagad ng butas este batas bago sila makapag operate sa isang lugar, **ANO BA NAMAN KLASENG KATARANTADUHAN ITO, HA MR. BS AQUINO ???? Saan ka nakakita ng isang sovereign state (sovereign state daw ang Pilipinas) na dalawa ang kapulisan at ang PNP SAF ay kailangan pa na tumimbre sa MILF, MGA GUNG-GONG KAYO???** Bakit atat-na-ata na itong si BS AQUINO na maipasa ang BBL, ano ba talaga ang mga negosyong nagaantay para sa kanyang mga crony, ano ba talaga ang nasa likod ng agarang pag-apruba ng BBL maliban sa isang imagined peace ??? **ANG BOTTOMLINE SA ISYU NA ITO AY, KUNG WALANG MGA TERORISTA SA NASABING LUGAR EH DI WALA SANANG OPERASYON KAYA BUHAY NA BUHAY PA SANA ANG ATING MGA KAPATID NA SAF !!!** Kaya ang aking panawagan ay pansamantalang suspindihin muna ang isinasagawang peace process hanggang hindi naipapaliwanag ng ma ayos at tama ng MILF ang mga pangyayari at hanggang hindi pa na bibigyan ng katarungan ang pagkamatay sa mga miyembro ng SAF na kung saan ang tanging katarungan lamang ay **I TURN OVER NG MILF SA GOBYERNO ANG MGA SALARIN !!!**

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KATARUNGAN PARA SA SAF 44 – Ano ba ang ating depinisyon ng katarungan o Justice sa kaso ng pagkakapaslang ng mga kapatid natin na 44 SAF men? Ito ba ay pagsasampa ng reklamo sa hukuman laban sa mga salarin MILF-BIFF? Ito ba ay ang pag bibigay ng malaking salapi sa mga naiwan nilang pamilya? Ito ba ay ang malawakan at maingay na protesta na gaganapin o magaganap pa lamang para sa katarungan ng SAF 44? Ito ba ay ang pagbabasura ng prosesong kapayapaan para ipasa ang BBL? Para sa hamak at simpleng kolumnista na ito na inyong lingkod, ang aking depinisyon ng pagbibigay ng katarungan para sa mga pinaslang natin kapatid na SAF 44 ay ang ma iharap sa kamay ng hustisiya ang mga salarin MILF at BIFF at ito ay walang ibang paraan mangyayari kung hindi base sa mga sumusunod: [1] Isuko o isurrender ng liderato ng MILF at BIFF ang mga salarin (mukhang malabong mangyari ito); [2] Hantingin ng ating mga PNP at Militar ang mga miyembro ng sandatahang lakas ng MILF at BIFF, kaya kailanagn muna ng suspensiyon sa peace process para magkaroon muna ng bakbakan, hindi ko po itinutalak o isinusulong ang mag ka gera o kaguluhan ngunit mukhang walang ng ibang alternatibo. Ang MILF at BIFF ang hindi nag bigay galang sa buhay ng mga SAF at kanilang walang awang tinadtad ang ga SAF na silang mga alagad ng butas este batas. Ang MILF-BIFF ang unang nagsagawa ng mga krimen kaya dapat lang na managot sila. Sa ganitong paraan lamang makakamit ang tunay na katarungan at hustisiya para sa mga biktima at kanilang mga pamilya na naiwan. Ayokong sabihin at aminin ngunit mukhang tama si dating pangulong ERAP sa kanyang pagsabi na wala raw siyang tiwala sa MILF kaya siya nag deklarang ng all out war sa MILF. **Mabuhay ka dating pangulong ERAP !!! SA NGAYON ANG MA-IPAPAYO KO KAY PANGULONG BS AQUINO at KANYANG MGA SIPSIP at STUPIDONG MGA ADVISER AY MAGTUNGO SILANG LAHAT SA ISRAEL AT MAG ARAL SA ISTILO NI ISRAEL PRIME MINISTER BENJAMIN**

Mini-hydro Power Plant in Ifugao Town Nears Completion

ASIPULO, Ifugao -- The mini-hydro power plant project at Barangay Haliap this municipality is nearing completion.

The project which started in January 2014 is targeted to be completed in June 2015, and expected to be operational after a month.

The project is funded through a grant from the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA). It is intended to generate electricity for the community, earn income and provide employment to the people of Ifugao.

The power plant if operational can generate 820 kilowatt hour (KWH) of electric power supply or a total of 5,585.5 megawatt hour (MGH) annually which will be sold to the Ifugao Electric Cooperative (IFELCO) to act as the distributor to the consumers since the host community are not yet technically capable of operating and managing the power plant.

Part of the revenue generated by the project will also be used for the restoration, preservation and development of the Ifugao Rice Terraces and

The power plant called Likud Mini-Hydro Power Plant Project (LMPPP) can help stabilize energy supply with minimal electric cost to consumers in the province. At the same time, it will contribute towards the realization of the Renewable Energy program of the government and the Ifugao Mini-hydro Electric Power Plant Development Program.

Part of the revenue generated by the project will also be used for the restoration, preservation and development of the Ifugao Rice Terraces and its watersheds.

The feasibility study of the LMPPP was conducted in 2011 and after several consultation meetings with the stakeholders consisting of the Ifugao Provincial Government, JICA representatives and the residents and local officials of the affected communities of Barangays Haliap and Panubtuban of Asipulo and Barangay Duit of Kiangan, the project proceeded.

The LMPPP is implemented with the help of the technical expertise of the Tokyo Electric Power Corporation and contracted by the IWATA Construction Corporation also of Japan but the actual work is subcontracted by local contractors/JDP/DBC-PIA CAR, Ifugao

Kalinga Honors 2 Fallen SAF Commandos

TABUK CITY, Kalinga -- The province honored two of its sons who were among the 'Fallen 44' through resolutions passed by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

Honored in separate resolutions were Police Senior Inspector Cyrus Paleyan Anniban and Police Officer 1 Russel Bilog for having exemplified the three cardinal principles of the Philippine National Police's noble fraternal organization, leadership, friendship and service.

Resolutions No. 017 and 18 honor and recognize the late PS Anniban and PO1 Bilog respectively for 'Gallantry, Valor and Exemplary Display of Service to the Nation and Expressing Condolences to the Bereaved Family'.

Anniban and Bilog were among the 44

Ifugao Farmers go on Study Tour in Organic Farms

LAMUT, Ifugao -- Organic farming practitioners from the municipality of Hingyon and technicians from the Provincial Government went on an expository and study tour to learn more about organic gardening and greenhouse projects.

The group first visited the Integrated Organic Farm of Villafuerte Camat Jr. here, who is the regional awardee on organic farming. Camat explained to them how he prepares fermented organic feeds for his swine farm using the plant Azola which is found in his fish pond which he also manages using organic farming methods.

Azola is the main plant ingredient in his organic feeds. This is mixed with rice bran and other concoctions such as sugar.

The group also went to Rancho Domingo in Barangay Namillangan, Alfonso Lista owned by Jesus Domingo, a regional organic farming awardee in the cattle farming category.

Rancho Domingo is an integrated farm where organic vegetables, swine, chicken and catfish are produced using organic farming methods. It makes use of readily available farm materials which are fermented and used as feeds for the animals and are also fed to worms called "African Night Crawlers" that produce vermicast, an organic fertilizer.

The farm also features the container gardening strategy that uses sacks and trellises which is observed to be more effective and less expensive than the conventional garden plots.

Rancho Domingo is currently serving as the hands-on training facility for on-the-job agriculture students from the Ifugao State University and other nearby schools.

The group also visited the Green House managed by Faustino Gamutan also in Alfonso Lista that produces organic pechay and other green vegetables. Gamutan said he is trying to grow carrots to see if it is possible to produce them inside the green house.

They also went to the green house farm of Ferdinand Buscas located nearby that features banana mushroom production.

According to the farmers and technicians, they were inspired and determined to also try to venture into these kinds of organic farming activities./JDP/DBC-PIA CAR, Ifugao

PNP-Special Action Force who were killed, 13 of them were Cordillerans, last January 25 in Mamasapano town in Maguindanao in a 'misencounter' with Moro Islamic Liberation Front.

The remains of Anniban was buried 12:00 noon yesterday at the Bulanao cemetery this city after a necrological service at Capitol here and a mass offered at St. Joseph Cathedral.

Gov. Jocel Baac, in his sympathy message, appealed to netizens to stop criticizing President Aquino as he is doing everything to bring justice to the 44 fallen heroes. "The President is doing his job, let us stop speculating and wait instead for the result of the on-going inquiry," he said./JDP/PAB-PIA CAR, Kalinga

Republic of the
Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT
BRANCH 9
(FAMILY COURT
FOR BENGUET
PROVINCE)
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
La Trinidad
Benguet

ALICE GAY K.
INSO,

Plaintiff,

-versus-

BRANDON S.
MEMEG

Defendant,

CIVIL CASE NO.
14-F-2190

For:
DECLARATION
OF NULLITY OF
MARRIAGE

SUMMONS BY
PUBLICATION

WHEREAS, plaintiff
through counsel
filed this verified
complaint in this
Court on July 25,
2014 quoted as fol-
lows:

COMPLAINT

With all due re-
spect to the Hono-
rable Court, plaintiff
by counsel respect-
fully avers that:

1. Plaintiff is
of legal age, married,
Filipino and a resi-
dent of FA050
Cabanao, BSU Com-
pound, La Trinidad,
Benguet, where she
has been residing for
more than six (6)
month prior to the
filing of this com-
plaint; while defend-
ant is likewise of
legal age, married,
Filipino and a resi-
dent of 585 Gibraltar
Road, Baguio City,
where he may be
served with sum-
mons and other court
processes;

2. Plaintiff and
defendant met some-
time in 1997 in
Sagada, Mountain
Province, where both
parties were attend-
ing the wedding of
their relatives. The
parties became lov-

ers a year later and
what ensued for the
next ten years was a
complicated rela-
tionship but some-
how, the parties
made the wrong de-
cision of getting
married;

3. Plaintiff and
defendant were mar-
ried January 3, 2008
before Judge Delilah
N. Gonzales-Munoz
of MTC La Trinidad,
Benguet, copy of the
Marriage Contract
attached as annex
"A";

4. Thereafter, the
parties live as hus-
band and wife and
stayed in Norway
where both parties
were then working;

5. During their
marriage both par-
ties exhibited immat-
urity and psycholo-
gical incapacity
which is permanent,
incurable and grave
personality disorder;

6. On the part of
the defendant, he ex-
hibited a permanent,
incurable, and grave
personality disorder,
which condition pre-
vented him from
fully appreciating
and complying with
his essential marital
obligations, as mani-
fested by, but not li-
mited to the following:

a) Defendant is
extremely attached
to his family so
much so that he is
preoccupied on how
he can help his
family rather than
attending to his
obligations to his
wife and soon to be
children;

b) While de-
fendant is employed
and earning modest
income, the plaintiff
was solely respon-
sible for herself, and
defendant's earn-
ings are being kept
and spent by him as
he pleases;

c) Defendant has
the strange attitude
of not making effort
to help or alleviate
the stress, or other
form of sufferings of
the plaintiff as his
wife, but is willing to
spend all his time,
effort and resources
to help other people
in need;

d) Defendant ex-
hibits manifest at-
traction to any beau-
tiful woman he

comes close to and
even in the presence
of his wife, he can't
help himself but
show his interest in
other women;

e) Defendant of-
ten indulge in too
much alcohol even
inside their apart-
ment which he does
every day after com-
ing home from work,
thereby resulting in
frequent quarrels;

f) Defendant be-
came extremely ar-
rogant towards the
plaintiff, he always
quarreled with the
plaintiff without ap-
parent reason;

g) Defendant of-
ten times speaks to
the plaintiff in un-
necessarily high
tone of voice, instead
of intimate tone ap-
propriate for hus-
band and wife;

h) Whenever
plaintiff is not with
him, he always sus-
pects that plaintiff is
having an affair with
another man;

i) Defendant ex-
hibited violent and
raging temper to-
wards the plaintiff
even to the extent of
physically attacking
the plaintiff by
throwing whatever
objects he gets hold
of, so much so that
he had totally disre-
garded his wife's
needs and sensibili-
ties and failed to give
the love and affec-
tion that would have
cemented their rela-
tionship;

j) Defendant, for
unknown reason,
wrongfully accused
the herein plaintiff
of taking large
amount of money
supposedly deposited
in a joint account, but
the truth is there
was no joint account
of the parties be-
cause as mentioned
above, each of the
parties kept their
own money, and
settle their respec-
tive liabilities;

7. On the part of
the plaintiff, she
also exhibited per-
manent, incurable,
and grave personal-
ity disorder, as mani-
fested by, but not li-
mited to the following:

a) While plaintiff
may have initially
married defendant
out of love yet she

failed to sustained
her relationship
with the defendant
by continuous
shower of kind un-
derstanding and sup-
port rather than con-
fronting the defen-
dant with antago-
nism and vindictive-
ness whenever they
have misunderstand-
ing;

b) Whenever they
have serious quarrel,
plaintiff often sim-
ply absorbed every-
thing to the point of
falling into extreme
depression, rather
than confronting the
problem directly;

c) Plaintiff failed
to share her predic-
ament with the people
close to her or even
to the defendant, and
chose to solely bear
the burden she was
experiencing, which
made the situation
extremely serious;

d) In the end
plaintiff was de-
feated by stress, pres-
sure, and hatred and
broke her will,
thereby putting the
relationship in an
irreversible condi-
tion;

8. Plaintiff was
forced to spend some
time alone and be-
came desperate
which eventually led
to a more violent
quarrel between the
parties.

9. It is clearly
shown that the psy-
chological incapaci-
ties of the parties ex-
isted before the mar-
riage, which psycho-
logical incapacity is
grave, permanent,
incurable, and has
prevented them from
complying with their
marital obligations
and that they will
never be able to com-
ply with their mari-
tal obligations to-
wards each other;

10. The misun-
derstanding became
extremely bitter
that the parties were
forced to live sepa-
rately. The plaintiff
went home to her
parents in Sagada,
Mountain Province
while defendant was
left in Norway;

11. Defendant is
apparently having an
affair with another
woman, but plaintiff
is so frustrated and
depressed that she
don't feel the need to

confront him;

12. For more than
six(6) years of mar-
riage, the herein par-
ties were unable to
bear a child, which
further aggravated
the feeling of inad-
equacies between
the parties;

13. There is abso-
lutely no hope for
reconciliation as
both parties fail or
refuse to recognize
their inadequacies;

14. The parties
have acquired no
conjugal real prop-
erties and other prop-
erties of value;

15. The plaintiff
now seeks the said of
the Honorable Court
so that after due no-
tice and hearing, the
marriage contracted
by the parties be de-
clared null and void
pursuant to Article
36 of the Family
Code of the Philip-
pines;

WHEREFORE, it
is respectfully
prayed that upon due
notice and hearing,
judgment be ren-
dered declaring the
marriage between
plaintiff and defen-
dant as null and void
in accordance with
Article 36 of the Fam-
ily Code of the Phil-
ippines, thereby re-
leasing the parties
from their marital
bond.

Other reliefs
just and equitable
and the premises
likewise prayed for.

14 July 2014,
Baguio City for La
Trinidad, Benguet.

(SGD.) JERRY APSE
MARAVE

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Plaintiff

Roll No. 44752, 5-
12-99,

Manila IBP

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3168865, 1-08-13,
Tuba, Benguet

Rm. 1, 4th Floor,
D Restaurant

Building

Dangwa Terminal
Baguio City

MCLE Compliance
No. IV-1651

VERIFICATION/
CERTIFICATION

I ALICE GAY K.

INSO, of legal age,
married, Filipino and
a resident of

Cabanao, BSU Com-
pound, La Trinidad,
Benguet, under oath
depose and state that:

1. I am the petitioner
in the above case, have
caused the preparation
of the foregoing peti-
tion, have read and un-
derstood the same and
all the allegations
therein are true and
correct to the best of
my personal knowl-
edge and based on
documents in my pos-
session.

2. I further certify
that I have not com-
menced any other ac-
tion or petition involv-
ing the same issue in
court, tribunal quasi-
judicial agency and to
the best of my knowl-
edge, no such other pe-
tition is pending there
in, and if I should
thereafter learn that
the same or similar
action or claim is
pending, I shall report
that within five (5)
days therefrom to this
court.

3. I am executing
this affidavit to attest
to the truthfulness of
all the foregoing state-
ments.

IN WITNESS
WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand
this 28th day of June
2014 at Baguio City,
Philippines.

(Sgd.) ALICE GAY K.
INSO

Affiant

PhilHealth ID NO.

04-025077656-1

CTC NO. 13490970

Issued on 6-28-14

At La Trinidad,

Benguet

SUBSCRIBED AND
SWORN TO before me

this 28th day of June

2014 at Baguio City,
Philippines

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(Sgd.) JERRY APSE
MARAVE

Notary Public

Until December 31,
2015 (50-NC-14-R)

Baguio
PTR No. 3168865, 1-
08-13, Tuba, Benguet

Rm. 1, 4th Floor, D'
Restaurant Building,
Dangwa Terminal,
Baguio City

with last known ad-
dress at 585 Gibraltar
Road, Baguio City,
Philippines is hereby
summoned through
this medium of pub-
lication and required
to file with this Court
your responsive

pleading and /or An-
swer to the above-
quoted petition
within thirty (30)
days from last publi-
cation, serving at the
same time a copy of
your responsive

pleading and/or An-
swer upon
petitioner's counsel
Atty. Jerry A. Marave,
Rm. 1, 4th Floor, D'
Restaurant Building,
Baguio City, Philip-
pines, and your fail-
ure to do so within
the period herein pre-
scribed will enable
the plaintiff to take
judgment against
you and demand from
this Honorable Court
the remedies and re-
lief prayed for in his
petition.

Let summons be
published at the ex-
pense of the plaintiff
in the Junction News-
paper, a newspaper of
general circulation in
Baguio and Benguet
Province pursuant to
Sec. 6 of the Rule on
Declaration of Absolu-
te Nullity of Void
Marriages and Annul-
ment of Voidable Mar-
riages, once a week,
for two (2) consecutive
weeks.

Furthermore, let a
copy of this summons
together with the copy
of petition and the or-
der dated January 28,
2015 be deposited with
the Capitol Postal Of-
fice, postage pre-paid by
registered mail di-
rected to the defendant,
BRANDON S. MEMEG
at his last known ad-
dress at 585 Gibraltar
Road, Baguio City, Phil-
ippines.

WITNESS THE
HONORABLE
FRANCIS A. BULIYAT,
SR., presiding judge
of this Court, this 29th
January 2015 at La
Trinidad, Benguet.

By: (sgd) ATTY.
LINDA BADING-
GUMABOL
Branch Clerk of
Court

Publication Dates:
January 31 and
February 7, 2015

NOW THEREFORE,

you the respondent,
BRANDON S. MEMEG

THE MILF ISA

...from page 5

may kampo?

Sa Taguig, marami kaming kampo. Yung Southern Police, NCRPO, nasa amin din ang Marines. Anong coordination? They can come in and out, kampo nila 'yun eh.

This is the Republic of the Philippines, pero sa BBL, may sarili silang mundo at sila ang hari.

So parang noong naglaban ang Iran at Iraq, parang Saddam Hussein.

Hindi ba kapag wala ka namang makikitang masama sa tao, dahil na-in love tayo sa peace, at dahil naniwala tayo, pati naman ako, pumirma din naman ako noong una kasi I wanted to believe that this group has turned on their old ways and wants peace. Hindi ba kapag in love ka sa isang tao, lahat ng barkada mo sinasabi, "pare, niloloko ka na niyan. Nakita ko nay an, may kasamang iba yan, niloloko ka niyan." Ayaw mo pang maniwala. Ganoon ang nangyayari. Naloko tayo ng MILF.

PEACE HAS FOUR COMPONENTS

Unang una, siguro linawin natin. Sino ba ang may ayaw ng peace? Lahat tayo, isa lang ang pangarap, ang mga Pilipino, alagaan ang pamilya niya, peace and order, education, health. You cannot have that kapag may war or may insurgency. So we all want peace. The question is, will the BBL and the MILF, will our agreement with them, bring peace?

For me, apat kasi ang magbibigay ng peace.

Number one, kailangan mag-agree kayo, one Philippines, one Constitution. Sabi sa akin ng nanay ng isa sa SAF 44, "Sir, elementary pa lang ako, ang tinuturo na ay ang tatlong star, Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao. Ibibigay ba natin ang isang star? Dalawang star na lang?"

So you know, there is really an impression on the ground there na hindi ito mutual agreement na talagang autonomy. Kung hindi, talagang preparation na magsecede sila. But I'll go to that later. So first, one Philippines, one Constitution. So hindi pwedeng unconstitutional.

Number two, dapat it will lead to lasting peace. Hindi yung empower them tapos kapag mas powerful na sila, magse-

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sure be provided to students and stakeholders, that waivers / medical clearances of students authentically signed by parents or physician and medical aid kits for the participants are prepared prior to the activity, that the parent/guardian consent are duly notarized to be submitted prior to the educational tour or trip.

During the educational trip or field trip, it is presumed that parents and guardians of participating students were properly informed of the HEI guidelines about how the tour/trip is conducted; that the program of activities are followed as planned or activities may be adjusted as the need arises, that the letter of Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that states the coordination which involved Local Government Units (LGUs) and Non-government organizations

(NGOs) be at hand.

At the end of the field trip or educational tour, reflections of the learning experiences which are duly documented in the participants' learning journals are deliberated as the main purpose of the activity; that an assessment report be prepared by the faculty in charge which include the detailed summary of amount used during the educational activity to be submitted to CHED through a filled-in undertaking form and an assessment report to be submitted by students to concerned HEI.

With the detailed guidelines imposed by the CHED, these show clear illustrations on how the interests and safety of participants and organizers are catered and achieved. marvinwacnagildawan@gmail.com

secede, ikaw din ang lalaban. Parang nag-alaga ka ng ahas, tutuklawin ka din.

Number three, dapat ang roots of the insurgency and rebellion, maa-address. In this case, tatlo ang roots: poverty, inequity, and discrimination sa mga kababayan nating Muslim.

And then lastly, of course, you have to address inclusive growth. Klaro 'yun. Saan manggagaling 'yun? Ang Lanao del Sur, 68.9% ang poverty incidence./Office of Senator Alan Peter Cayetano

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casionaly. Baton-tossing, decors mounted on poles and sticks, instruments made of recycled materials, giant petals as headdresses, wide skirts and capes, and ethnic costumes were seen during the performance. Parents and trainors were also seen helping out with the installations and instruments.

Accordingly, the performances were scrutinized by the BFFFI cultural committee, as to the ethnicity of costumes, dance steps and original rhythm of the Panagbenga hymn as composed by the late Dean Macario Fronda.

In his opening day message, Mayor Domogan said that the success of Panagbenga is due to Baguioites' teamwork, and the co-operation of everyone at the city government, civic organizations, the

Kakampi mo ang Batas

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LIMINARY INVESTIGATIONS: In far-flung areas where there are no city, provincial, or state, prosecutors, can municipal trial courts (MTC) conduct the required preliminary investigation of criminal cases? This was the question texted to us by one of our listeners in Smile FM 92.7 Agusan del Sur, in the program "Kakampi Mo ang Batas". The answer is, yes, the MTC can conduct a preliminary investigation.

The rule for this is found in Section 2, Rule 112 of the Revised Rules on Criminal Procedure. But even while MTCs are legally part of the judicial branch of government, they are considered officers of the Department of Justice when they carry out preliminary investigations, so that their resolutions are appealable to the Department, not to superior courts.

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rising up.

A reporter said: In Manila, we were in a very beautiful hotel. Everyone was very nice and we ate very well, but as soon as you left this hotel, you were, let's call it morally accosted, at least by the poverty. We saw children among the trash, treated possibly, I would say, as refuse [themselves].

We know of cardinals who served among the lepers, so I'd like to know why it is so difficult to follow that example.

Francis said: And here there is hunger, one next to the other. And we have the tendency to get used to this, no? To this that... yes, yes, we're here and there are those thrown away. This is poverty, I think the Church must give an example, a much greater example here, refusing every worldliness. Do we consecrated bishops, priests, sisters, laity truly believe that the gravest sin and the gravest threat is worldliness? It's really ugly when you see a consecrated man, a man of the Church, a sister, who is worldly./Juan L. Mercado

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Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on February 18, 2015 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB Office, Paddal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.

At least ten (10) days prior to the above date, the applicant/s shall publish the NOTICE once in one (1) weekly newspaper of general circulation in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

Parties opposed to the granting of the application must file their written opposition supported by documentary evidence on or before the above date, furnishing a copy of the same to the applicant/s and may if they so desire, appear during the hearing.

This application shall be acted upon by the Board on the basis of its records and the documentary evidences submitted by the parties unless the Board deem necessary to receive additional documentary and/or oral evidence.

WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 2nd day of February, 2015.

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The mayor said the financial assistance is for the families of the fallen Cordilleran SAF members amounting to P20,000.00 each.

The fund will be sourced out from the budget of the City Social Welfare and Development Office (CSWDO).

Domogan said, "the release of financial aid for Cordilleran SAF members who are residents of Baguio is not a problem but the resolution is needed for those who are not residents of the city."

"We need the approval of the resolution so there is justification for our financial assistance to their families," he said.

There are at least thirteen recorded Cordilleran SAF commandos killed during the encounter in Maguindanao but unofficial reports say fifteen are from the Cordillera./Paul Rillorta

Air Quality...

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fects of carbon dioxide (CO) in high altitude places like Baguio.

Citing researches and studies, Del Rosario said the influx of tourists to high altitude areas like Baguio "may dramatically increase pollution levels in general and CO levels in particular" since "the local CO level or concentration is affected by regional characteristics: seasons; altitude and lateral variations, urbanization degree, populace and amount of vehicular traffic."

He said that the city may consider studies showing that vehicles tuned up for lowland driving condition emit more (CO) when used for mountain driving.

"Vehicles tuned for mountain driving emit 1.8 times more CO at 2,424 meters (8,000 feet) than at 1,600 m (5,200 ft.). Whereas, vehicles tuned at sea level driving condition emit almost four times more CO at an altitude. CO emission is increased at altitude by driving at reduced speed along steep grades under poor driving conditions and by the cold weather conditions prevailing at altitude," he quoted.

"CO emission increases dramatically during cold weather because more fuel is needed to start at cold temperature and some emission devices such as oxygen sensors and catalytic converter (if equipped) operate less efficiently when they are cold."

He also warned of the danger of death while riding at the back of motor vehicles.

"Children in this case are the most vulnerable as they are the usual back riders. Accidental poisoning from exposure to exhaust in pick-up trucks, riding under a rigid and closed canopy on the rear of the trucks and other tragedies might also happen inside fully enclosed transit vans, school buses and camper trucks," he warned.

"Possible delay in diagnosis in these situations is fatal since initial symptoms were consistent with motion sickness and many parents or guardians would normally believe that their children were just asleep while in fact they were already unconscious. Moving vehicles with vertical tailgates or door and opening the rear window can result to the drawing of exhaust into rear-most compartment. Holes in the car body, floorboards or leaks around windows or doors may also allow fumes to enter passenger compartment. Worn out improperly replaced mufflers may cause dizziness and possible death."/A Refuerzo

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Hotel and Restaurant Association of Baguio, Visitors' Bureau, and concerned groups and individuals.

This should be sustained for the success of future Panagbenga festivals, the mayor added.

The mayor further said the festival is for the tourism industry's sustenance; promotion of the unique culture of the Cordilleras including migrants; promotion of unity

and oneness; and the sustenance of programs for environmental preservation.

These, regardless of tribal, ethnic, race and other groupings, the mayor said.

The city's preparedness as to peace and order was also assured, as in an earlier press conference, Baguio City Police Office (BCPO) Supt. Rolando Miranda said an

Advocacy Mindanow

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will also stake claim on the bangsamoro political leadership. To maintain the earlier schedule as spelled out in the peace agreement, pre-Mamasapano, was ill-advised. With the post Mamasapano scenario, it will spell doom.

MILF — For the Moro Islamic Liberation Front, it is about accountability and taking responsibility for the carnage. Being now a recent partner and no longer operating outside the mainstream having signed a peace agreement with government, it assumed responsibilities and must show sincerity and capability.

The decisive steps taken to disarm is a timely positive move, unlike the earlier signs of hesitance and seeming resistance by its armed elements. It must now clearly prove that the trust it was accorded was well deserved and that government was not hoodwinked into a peace settlement.

Here are a few ponderables.

First, the MILF must first explain why its so-called "controlled areas" have become virtual sanctuaries of terrorists and criminals not only now but for as long as we can remember; why its armed elements and communities not only harbor the bad guys but even go to the extent of protecting and fighting and even killing government forces who were on a mission to take them out. This excuse about "lack of coordination" leading to a "misencounter" to explain the carnage of 44 SAF commandos will not stick. It's pure baloney! "Misencounters" are about friendly forces initially fighting by mistake. But it's NOT about fighting for several hours, finishing them off, mutilating them and cannibalizing dead bodies of our SAF commandos. This is "barbarism" pure and simple.

augmentation force from the provincial police force is deployed. Signages are posted in strategic places, with manual assistance from the police, he added.

Walking is encouraged to minimize vehicular traffic, as the number coding for vehicles shall not be lifted, Miranda also said.

"Baguio Blooms, Exhibition and Exposition" which opened simultaneously with the parade, Feb. 1 is on-going at Lake Drive, Burnham Park until March 8.

Other activities are; February 15 - Handog ng Panagbenga Sa Pamilya Baguio: Let a Thousand Flowers Bloom, Kite-Flying Challenge, Variety Show, Fireworks Display; February 20, Chinese Spring Festival, Feb. 20-22 Philippine Military Academy Homecoming; February 21 - Flower Tee Open Golf Tournament, Feb. 23-27 Floral arrangement and school-based landscape competition, March 2-8, Session road in Bloom; March 8 - Closing Ceremonies and Fireworks display.

More community-led activities are Feb. 2 to 8, 11th international plastic modelers society at SM City, Feb. 13-14, National League of Tourism Students Skills Olympics and 6th National Tourism and Hospitality Convention at the CAP Convention Center at Camp John Hay, Feb. 26 - Mr. Panagbenga, Feb. 28 - Mixed Martial Arts, March 1- Little Miss Panagbenga, all at the Baguio Convention Center, March 6, Handog Pasasalamat ng Bombo Radyo At Star FM, March 8, Tambalang Saya sa Panagbenga by E-Carta Media Productions and Promotions, both at the Melvin Jones Grandstand and Football grounds.

This year's theme is, "Across 20 Years, Blossoming Together."/PIO

And MILF cannot escape responsibility by blaming this on rogue elements, the BIFF or other armed groups with whom government has not signed a peace accord. The other bad guys have nothing to explain. But the MILF, as our peace partners, must! And MILF must take decisive steps. It must cleanse its areas of the bad guys. It must even try to haul in the other high value target who got away: the notorious bomber Basit Usman. At the very least, it should not stand in the way as government forces scour its areas to flush out the bad guys. It must erase the doubts and fears of many, triggered by Mamasapano, that the bangsamoro territory may eventually become the impregnable lair and hotbed of terrorists, local and international. This is MILF's proverbial litmus test that it must pass.

PEACE PROCESS — Those working in the peace process must not lose its bearings inspite of the seemingly unsurmountable new obstacles in the way. Winning back the people's trust in the badly bruised peace process is the call of the moment. We must disabuse the minds of many who call for war! There is no other route to the future but through sustainable peace through a peaceful settlement. We have seen how the violent past played out. We can understand for the moment the popular clamor of many that we annihilate the enemy; that we attack their camps, that we finish them off. If only this is a fool-proof solution, why not. But it is not!

WAR NOT AN OPTION — For us who had seen it close and clearly understand the nuances of the situation, going to war is never an option. It will not address a generational aspiration of the bangsamoro. Just ask the one million displaced and suffering civilians who were the victims of so-called "collateral damage" of the 2000 war. They will tell you the true and unquantifiable costs of war.

The agony of the nation and what we all go through with our fallen commandos of the infamous Mamasapano carnage must be avenged, by all means through accountability and justice.

The casualties of this tragic event are not only be the lives lost. The biggest casualty here is the peace process! Hence, we must all help to revive it, heal its deep wounds and resuscitate it. But an all-out war amongst Filipinos should never be an option.

STATEMENT OF FORMER OPAPP JESUS G. DUREZA COORDINATION ISSUE ON MAMASAPANO RAID

"The pertinent provision of the implementing guidelines on the ceasefire agreement signed on **15 February 2012** between the **GPH Chair Marvic Leonen** and **MILF Mohagher Iqbal** clearly states:

"6. Except for operations against high priority targets, a list of which shall be provided by the GPH Panel to the MILF Panel, the AHJAG shall inform the GPH and the MILF CCCH at least 24 hours prior to the conduct of the AFP/PNP operations in order to allow sufficient time for the evacuation of civilians and to avoid armed confrontation between the GPH and MILF forces"

The clear language speaks for itself. It clearly exempts the GPH operating units in cases of operations against the likes of **MARWAN**. In fact, the **SAF** informed others of the top secret operations **AFTER THE FACT** to prevent the operations from being compromised, learning from previous failed operations in the past. Otherwise, they would have not successfully bagged **HPT MARWAN**.

However, I received today a phone call today from **GPH Panel Chair Miriam Coronel Ferrer** clarifying that although that provision can be interpreted as giving exemption, however on the operational level, prior coordination is a **MUST**. And this has been the operating procedure downloaded to all AFP/PNP units.

Although I maintain the same position that prior coordination is not necessary in operations against **HPT** as clearly provided in the said provision, I yield to the clarification of Chair Ferrer who is now privy and authoritative on internal matters in the peace process. I am no longer there."



Mayor Hopes Council will Approve Financial Aid for SAF 44

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan during the Weekly Ugnayan Presser is praying for the eventual approval of a City Resolution which will be the basis for the release of financial assistance for the families of the slain Cordillera Philippine National Police-Special Action Force (PNP-SAF) Commandos.

Domogan said, “he is hoping that the City Council will act on three urgent resolutions which are the resolution condemning the Mamasapano Massacre, the resolution which will extend financial assistance to the families of the Cordillera SAF members and the road closure at Burnham Lake Drive.”

“The Executive budget is not yet approved and still being deliberated upon but I hope they can act on this very urgent proposed resolutions,” he said.

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HSO Promotes Healthy Lifestyle thru Walk

BAGUIO CITY – In observance of heart month and in coordination with the Department of Health (DOH) regional office, the Baguio City Health Services Office (HSO) conducts a Healthy Heart Advocacy Walk on February 20 at Mt. Cabuyao, Tuba, Benguet.

In a letter-invitation, City Health Services Officer Rowena Galpo said the endeavor is a response to a call of the World Health Organization’s (WHO) “challenge to promote an integrated community-based approach to the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases.”

In turn, the DOH earlier launched the National Healthy Lifestyle Program in all provincial and municipal/city levels, thus the planned activity.

Participants, in proper walking attire, need to register at 6 – 7 AM at the police station, before the health trek to Mt. Cabuyao.

Pointers and messages from DOH Director Dr. Valeriano Jesus Lopez and Dr. Galpo will be given during a short program preceding the walk, as Pastor Walter Joaquin renders the prayer. Dr. Zoraida Clavio, Midwife Josie Bay-ed and staff Marieta Joven facilitates the program.

Other agencies, offices and even families and individuals are encouraged to conduct walks, fun runs and fitness programs for the promotion of health within their groups.

The theme for health month celebration is, “Alagaan Ang Iyong Puso, Mag-Healthy Lifestyle.”/Julie G. Fianza

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Panagbenga 2015 Opens

BAGUIO CITY – Following

the parade from Panagbenga park to Athletic Bowl Burnham Park last Sunday, nine (9) of the twelve (12) participating elementary schools, pupils clad in neon and pastel colors with recycled materials and flower-themed accessories, headdresses and footwear, and gigantic environment-inspired backdrops; hurdle the drum and lyre eliminations to join the grand street dancing parade on Feb. 28.

Adjudged as among the best are: Dona Aurora Elem School, Special Education, Lucban, Mabini, Jose P. Laurel, Emilio Aguinaldo, Kias, Baguio Central School, and Josefa Carino elementary schools. They compete among themselves in the elementary category, in the 20th staging of the Baguio Flower Festival.

Earlier at the Panagbenga park, ecumenical prayers rendered by Bishop Carlito Cenzon, Islamic prayers by Uztad Rohala Moripaga and the Uggayam by Mayor Mauricio Domogan, and a special performance by the University of the Cordilleras Hapiyoh Mi preceded the parade.

The Philippine Military Academy (PMA) band led the contingent with the mayor, Vice-Mayor Edison Bilog, Congressman Nicasio Aliping, Jr., city officials, city hall department heads, the Baguio Flower Festival Foundation, Inc., Special Operations Group, Air Soft club and MMA following closely.

Twenty (20) districts of the city’s 128 barangays joined the drum and lyre parade at 8AM, as the Siberian Husky Club, Kennel Club and Wright Park Pony Boys Association brought up the end at Athletic Bowl, Burnham Park where the childrens’ performances were witnessed

Chair and Co-chair of the Baguio Flower Festival Foundation, Inc. (BFFFI) Executive Committee Anthony de Leon and Frederico Alquiros unveiled the giant calendar of events.

The children energetically performed their routine on the uncompleted sports oval as wind unmercifully blew swirls of dust over them oc-

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Pahayagang Palaban!!!

Air Quality in Baguio for 2014 Normal — Mayor

BAGUIO CITY - The ambient air quality readings in the city for 2014 had been fair to good in various parts of the city except for one area, Mayor Mauricio Domogan said on Wednesday.

The mayor said this was based on the 2014 roadside ambient air quality monitoring report submitted by the wastewater, water and ambient air management division (WMD) of the city environment and parks management office bearing (CEPMO).

The report showed the year-round readings of the monitoring devices put up in various sampling locations in the city utilizing the pollution index of particulate matter (PM10).

The readings were generally good at Upper Session Road, City Hall grounds, Diplomat Heritage Park Dominican Hill, Camp John Hay, Scout Barrio, Paddal Circle and Mines View where the air quality index value ranged from 0-54 micrograms per cubic meter (ug/m3) from March to December.

Fair readings were obtained at Malcolm Square, Happy Homes Old Lucban Burnham Park, City Social Welfare Development Office grounds, Igorot Garden, UP Baguio campus, Bell Church, Veterans Park, Kabayanihan and Naguilian Road which had a range of 55-154 ug/m3.

The lone area which registered a failing mark was at the Baguio City Police Office particularly at the intersection of Abanao and Kayang St. near the overpass going to City hall where the index value reached 190 ug/m3, which is unhealthy for sensitive groups.

The mayor urged vehicle owners in the city to ensure that their vehicles are always in good condition so as not to contribute to air pollution.

He also submitted to the CEPMO for consideration the inputs submitted by Mario Alvarez Del Rosario, inventor of the water reactor Mario D’Hybrid technology on the ef-

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