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Lawmaker on Aquino's promise to fight corruption: Where are the cases? Where are the facts?

Manila - Senate minority leader Alan Peter Cayetano questioned the failure of the Aquino administration to hold erring officials of the past administration accountable.

"So what happened to President Aquino's promise to go after the sins of the past administration? Where are the cases? Where are the facts?" he asked.

He said the Aquino government should work to double or triple its prosecution efforts because when this administration turns a year old in June, people will no longer accept that its actions are limited to the criticism of the past administration.

Cayetano cited the case of former President Arroyo, who immediately filed a case against her predecessor, ousted President Joseph Estrada as soon as she assumed office in 2001.

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BANGUI WIND TURBINES. A proud resident of Bangui Ilocos Norte, Philippines enjoys the 30 plus kilometer per hour winds that power their 15 wind turbines which in turn generates 30 mega watts of electricity to the entire Ilocos region. PINOY GONZALES/ PNS

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P13M Sought to Complete Two Vital Land Surveys

BAGUIO of all the **CITY** – The city government needs to shell out a P13 million fund as its counterpart for the completion of two vital land surveys initiated by the Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The city council approved Resolution No. 63 series of 2011 requesting Mayor Mauricio Domogan being the chair of the City Development Council (CDC) to include the said amount in either the 2011 supplemental budget or in the 2012 City Annual Investment Plan or the Executive Budget to complete the Townsite Survey (CAR Baguio City) for Final Lot Survey and Adjustments of Old Surveys and the barangay political boundary survey of all the barangays in the city.

In the measure authored by Councilor Isabelo Cosalan Jr., he noted that the DENR embarked on two significant projects in the city — the ongoing Townsite Survey-CAR Baguio City for Final Lot Survey and Adjustments of Old Surveys project and the incoming Barangay Political Boundary Survey

were easily surpassed causing an undeniable budget shortfall for the completion of the project,” the alderman noted.

“According to the presented status and considering the increase in the number of lots, a total of 8,880 lots or 20 percent were surveyed as against the 44,682 target lots and the additional sourced out funds is approximated to cover about 2/3 of the total project. Likewise, an amount was also earmarked for the conduct of Barangay Political Boundary Survey but conceded that the funds may not be enough,” he said.

Cosalan said the completion of the TS-CAR Baguio City and that of the Barangay Political Boundary Survey are most advantageous to the city vis-à-vis development planning, policy formulation, program/project implementation, including the proper and definite resolutions of conflicts and inconsistencies.

“Among others, the TS-CAR Baguio City projects will certainly facilitate the patenting of alienable and disposable public lands thereby generating higher income for the city through re-

Travel Website for City Sought

BAGUIO CITY – The city government will invite website developers to submit proposals for the creation of an “all-integrated travel website” for the city government.

Councilor Elmer Datuin in a resolution approved by the city council said one of the ways to build Baguio as a top tourist destination is to make it easier for people to access information and travel to the city through the use of the internet, as well as mobile phones equipped with internet access.

“In this highly advanced age of technology and highly competitive global and local market, there is a need for the City of Baguio to utilize Internet marketing by hosting an all-in website that would include not only the showcasing of our tourist spots but also incorporating integrated booking facilities that allow users/prospective visitors to arrange their travel to the city, pay for accommodations, travel fare and other

related taxes while an approved Barangay Political Boundary Survey for the city will assure the corresponding distribution of Internal Revenue Allotment of barangays,” he said.

“Being the foremost beneficiary and in view of the projects’ encom-

necessities in a single visit on a website,” he said.

“With the hosting of such an all-in website, this will enable the city to comprehensively accommodate visitors’ needs proving smoother flow greater ease for our tourists, something that will surely increase the interest of people to travel to our city,” Datuin added.

He said the city should now receive proposals for travel websites from developers.

He also sought to notify all travel agencies, hotels, bus and airline companies, food service providers and other tourism-related companies to contribute to the development of the website even as he proposed the conduct of a conference among said parties for integration of their own sites to the said proposed travel website.

Datuin noted that the Department of Tourism (DOT) made a commitment to continue enticing more people to travel to the Philippines

passing impact to the city’s development, the city’s counterpart of at least 1/3 of the total project is fair enough and justifiable,” the resolution noted.

The resolution proposed that the amount be divided as follows: P10,000,000.00 for the TS-CAR Baguio

through the internet and non-traditional media campaigns and former DOT Secretary Joseph Ace Durano made his mark by tapping into the local blogging community to promote tourism even among Filipinos, holding events with travel bloggers and on-line media to showcase the best tourist spots in the city;

“During the opening ceremonies of the “Top Philippines Emerging Business Destination” by the Philippines Tour Operators Association (PHILTOA), Vicente Romano III, DOT Undersecretary for Planning and Promotions said they will unveil new and additional promotional strategies in the next six months and one of these strategies involve establishing a central tourism website wherein other tourist sites can link to, thus allowing interested visitors to view the different tourist spots and related tour packages in a single location,” he related./A Refuerzo

City and P3,000,000.00 for the Barangay Political Boundary Survey.

It further asked the mayor and the City Development Council to certify the above projects as priority projects of the City of Baguio in partnership with the DENR-CAR./A Refuerzo



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NCIP vs. LGU-Baguio, Nat'l. agencies: legal battle brews over CALT awards anew

Baguio City - Don't be surprised if one day you wake up to find Burnham Lake as somebody else's private swimming pool.

As if protracted City Government-National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) battle over Forbes Park is not enough, another set of land titles may yet lock 'em agencies' horns in the legal arena.

Expected to join the local government this time around are private landowners, the national government, and Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

The controversy was sparked by requests for certificates of zoning clearance on properties offered as collateral for bank loans filed with the City Planning and Development Office (CPDO).

The subject properties purported to secure loans by private individuals include Wright Park in Barangay Lualhati, Pacdal; and the realty upon which Casa Vallejo is built.

CPDO chief Evelyn Cayat related, "We were shocked when, upon verification of the real properties covered by separate requests for zoning clearances."

"We discovered the lands covered by ancestral titles overlapped with city government, national government, and private properties," she added.

A perusal of documents gathered by CPDO would reveal privately-owned subdivided properties overlapped with Wright Park area were derived from Certificate of Ancestral Land Title (CALT) numbered 130 and 28.

CALT-130 (102, 302 sq. m.) was originally issued by NCIP to heirs of Josephine Abanag; while CALT-28 was originally under the name of the heirs of Lauro Carantes.

The Original Certificate of Title (OCT) over the Abanag-awarded CALT was issued by NCIP November 10, 2010.

It is now subdivided into 31-parcels of lot divided among purported heirs and covered by Transfer Certificates of Title (TCT) 018-2010002797 to 2828 as per CALT-130 memorandum of encumbrance dated December 8, 2010.

Private persons under whose names the parcels are now titled include Mercedes Tabon, Joan Gorio, Virginia Gao-an, and Isias Abanag.

Of the 31-parcels, Lot 5 designated under the name of the heirs of Abanag and Mercedes Tabon overlaps with Lot 67 covered by TCT T-32093 in the name of the City Government.

The city property has an area of 5,885.70 sq. m.

On the other hand, titles derived from the Carantes-original CALT are now covered by TCTs 018-2011000069 to 71, all under the name of Gorio and has an aggregate area of 3,488 sq. m.

OCT to the Carantes CALT is dated April 7, 2009 while the TCTs over the same were issued only January 14, 2011.

City legal officer (CLO) Melchor Carlos Rabanes said, "Our main concern is the city's property."

Guaranteeing readiness for a protracted legal battle with NCIP and alleged private owners of the properties he added, "We are currently studying all legal remedies to protect City Government interest right now."

He added, "The fight is not limited to NCIP vs. the City Government of Baguio alone."

"The controversy now also includes private lot-owners affected by the CALTs issued by NCIP... we're hoping they join us to finally put an end to the issuance of questionable CALTs purporting to be legitimate."

Meantime, another tract of land covered by CALT-129 in the name of the Heirs of Cosen Piraso likewise overlies with Philippine Government property part of which is where Casa Vallejo is built. DENR is administrator of the property.

CALT-129 with an area of 5,050 sq. m. is now subdivided into 8-parcels covered by TCTs 018-2010002858 to 66. OCT to the same was issued November 10, 2010 while the encumbrances were entered in said title December 8, 2010.

Rabanes revealed city letters are in the works asking the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) and DENR to step into the picture to protect national and city interests over the properties. */isl*



FINGERLING FISHERMEN. In spite of the tsunami scare in Japan, fisher folks in Claveria, Cagayan brave some rough waters to catch their favorite fingerlings along the shorelines of the beach. /PINOY GONZALES/PNS

On cityhood laws: Mayor ponders supporting LCP-led impeachment of magistrates

BAGUIO CITY – "Personally, I do not for impeaching justices of the Supreme Court (SC)... but if the League of Cities in the Philippines (LCP) have clear grounds for such action, I will support it."

Thus said mayor Mauricio Domogan in the heels of a fourth motion for reconsideration (MR) this time filed by LCP asking SC to once again re-evaluate its recent decision.

The SC, February, declared laws converting 16-municipalities into cities nil compliance to the income requirement set under the Local Government Code (RA 7160) "legal and constitutional" anew.

The 'cityhood laws' include Republic Act (RA) 9389 (Baybay, Leyte), RA 9390 (Bogo, Cebu), RA 9391 (Catbalogan, Samar), RA 9392 (Tandag, Surigao Del Sur), RA 9393 (Lamitan, Basilan), RA 9394 (Borongan, Samar), 9398 (Tayabas, Quezon), and RA 9404 (Tabuk, Kalinga).

Likewise converting some municipalities into cities are RA 9405 (Bayugan, Agusan Del Sur), RA 9407 (Batac, Ilocos Norte), RA 9408 (Mati, Davao Orien-

tal), RA 9409 (Guihulngan, Negros Oriental), RA 9434 (Cabadbaran, Agusan Del Norte), RA 9435 (El Salvador, Misamis Oriental), RA 9436 (Carcar, Cebu), and RA 9491 (Naga, Cebu).

The High Tribunal invalidated the bunch of laws in its ruling, August 2010. But it in its February 15 resolution, it reversed itself anew voting 7-in favour and 6-against to reinstate its December 21, 2009 decision affirming the constitutionality of said laws.

Said conversion measures were passed by the 11th Congress of which Domogan was member.

In a 38-page motion, LCP contested the recent SC declaration averring it lost jurisdiction to promulgate its February 15 resolution for want of any controversy to settle.

Domogan said he hoped the SC finally ends all controversies surrounding the cityhood measures after the LCP motion.

"There has to be an end to litigations," he said adding, "The cityhood issue has dragged too long."

Wondering why the high court managed to change its view favouring creation of new cities he added, "Even students of law are now

getting dizzy."

Earlier, about 40 chief executives – all members of LCP – protested the 180-degree turnaround of magistrates at the SC's own backyard claiming they are not studying cases punctiliously.

They asked the Court to revert to its November 2008 diktat, even threatening impeachment viewed by some solons as "bullying tactics" to force the high court to rule in LCPs favour.

LCP has been opposing the cityhood measures claiming it will greatly reduce its members' Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) set aside for all cities under Section 285 of RA 7160.

They likewise averred said local government units (LGU) failed to comply with the P100-million income requirement under the RA 9009 for municipalities to be converted into cities.

More, LPC insists the conversion is in violation of the Section 10 Article X of the Constitution which provides conversion of LGUs must be in accordance with requirements under the Local Government Code, subject to approval by the constituents of the LGUs affected through a plebiscite. */isl*

Reading List Entry

"Primed and Purposeful" is a new book that offers a broad-sweep analysis of Filipino armed groups and their impact, over four decades of conflict, on human security.

By happenstance, the new Aquino administration leveraged a hefty electoral mandate to kick-start stalled peace talks. Malaysia and Norway are facilitating prickly parleys with Moro and Communist insurgents.

"Progress (was) unlikely during the (Arroyo) administration," asserts the study published by the Small Arms Survey and South-South Network in Geneva "Better prospects for peace rest on capacity of successor administration(s) to engage rebel groups. (Otherwise) another long decade of not always constructive engagement appears inevitable."

Over 4,745 were killed and 1,534 injured in armed clashes across four troubled decades, admittedly incomplete tallies claim. Most were civilians. Over 1.2 million became refugees. "Rule of the gun stood in the way of ongoing democratization process, begun with such optimism, at the end of the Marcos dictatorship."

Leakages from government arsenals, porous borders and lax rules make "civilian small arms holdings in the Philippines rank among the 30 largest in the world."

In 24 chapters, the study documents realities of many Filipinos staring into gun barrels of both rebels and state. It analyzes both the "ideologically driven and militarily strong to the opportunistic and criminal."

Specialists profile lumad armed groups, Jemaah Islamiyah to, civilian armed force geographic units (Cafgus). They analyze gun buy-backs and children drafted or cajoled for "protracted war." Included are case studies of private armies in Abra and "Indonesian and Malaysians jihadi groups."

The study focuses on Communist and Moro insurgencies. "The CCP-NPA is the longest-running Maoist insurgency in the world." Today's Moro conflicts are rooted in Spanish-Morowars in the 16th to the 19th century — plus 21st century penury. Muslims today cluster in the 10 poorest provinces.

"Expectations are high that conflict will be brought to a close" in this fifth decade of treadmill clashes, write co-authors Diana Rodriguez and Soliman M. Santos, Jr. Rodriguez is a graduate of London School of Economics. A trial judge, Santos specializes in international humanitarian relations. Here are excerpts:

"Military victory eluded security forces (and rebels) and is unlikely in the future". Communists are bogged down in strategic defense of it's 'protracted people's war.' They've never achieved a "great leap forward" of mass adherents.

"Revolutionary taxation" is occasionally reinforced by attacks on mining, logging and other civilian businesses. This dented support for the NPA. "More damming" is killings of peasant leaders and followers in Masbate and Bondoc peninsula.

Cordillera's People's Liberation Army and others hire out as 'private armies' to local business and political leaders. Attacks by so-called rouge units against civilians raised questions about Moro Islamic Liberation Front control over its field commanders.

Early March, AP reported Commander Ameril Umbra Kato, who earlier massacred civilians, threatens to break away from MILF. Militiamen fleeing arrest for involvement in the Maguindanao massacre are with Kato. So far, they've not sabotaged the peace talks.

"MILF and MNLF forces are " limited to the containable Muslim areas of central and southwestern Mindanao". The demographic balance continues to tilt. "Mindanao is now only about 20 percent Muslim in terms of population...This is almost the exact reversal of Mindanao's demography a century ago.

There are successes like the MILF's cease fire, for criminal interdiction. An Ad Hoc Joint Action Group rescued kidnapped hostages and averted clashes. The group's "mandate has expired; (but) the agreement continues to function de facto.

Demise of the Soviet Union and China's "it-is-glorious-to-get-rich" reorientation have seen international support for rebels wane. Internal pogroms and policy fractures sapped strength and triggered clashes with other communist factions "Armed wings of (Huks and Revolutionary Party) had encounters with the NPA. (These) make the fragmentation on the Communist front worse than on the Moro front."

Past policies on peace were incoherent. **Cont. on page 11**



"And this little warning light flashes when the outside air becomes too polluted to breathe."

THE PEACE COMBATANT

*Preparing for the worst-case
In Japan Nuclear Plants*

BY: ARTURO BOQUIREN



"Experts" allayed fears that the smoking or threatened nuclear plants in Japan would lead to a nuclear explosion. However, the Japanese government has evacuated their citizens several miles from the nuclear plants. In contrast, some of the first reports said that the United States and several countries have advised their citizens to leave Japan when they can. Some quarters point out however that countries have only asked their citizens to be as far away as possible from the nuclear plants or to be at least 12-50 miles from the nuclear plants. Nevertheless, whatever the situation is, the indisputable fact is that the situation of the smoking or threatened nuclear plants in Japan is far from improving.

The nuclear plants displayed signs of a meltdown or possible meltdown following the massive earthquake and Tsunami in Japan that are believed to have killed more than 10,000 people (the actual body count as of press time has remained to in few hundreds).

Last week, a prank text messages circulated advising the public to cover their necks, particularly, the thyroid area with Betadine or povidone iodine. The nuclear fallout would supposedly take place 4pm of Wednesday. The message was, of course, false because wind direction would prevent it and Betadine will be useless.

One Philvocs assessment said that, IF AND ONLY IF the unforeseen emergency Japan's nuclear plants emerge, the effects on the Philippines would only take place in May when winds from Japan would start to be blowing into the Philippines.

Experts vary on how risky a nuclear fallout from Japan is. Several experts, for example, asserted that the likelihood of nuclear particles endangering the Philippines is nil

Cumulative dose in millirems	Recommended Action	Increase in long-term cancer risk per number of people
Below 50	None	None
50-500	Record individual exposure Initiate periodic monitoring Take above steps	1 death in 4,000
500-5,000	More monitoring Take steps to control exposure	1 in 400
5,000-10,000	Take above steps Limit exposure to priority tasks only	1 in 200
10,000-25,000	Take above steps Limit exposure to critical tasks only	1 in 80
25,000-70,000	Take above steps Allow exposure only when saving life	1 in 30

as the nuclear particles would dissi- **Cont. on page 6**

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Sari-saring krsis sa ibat bang parte ng Mundo!!!
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Tunay na naka babahala ang mga kasalukuyan nagaganap na krisis sa ibat ibang parte ng mundo. Mayroon pa rin matinding economic crisis sa USA at sa Europa at mayroon mga krisis political sa ilan mga bansa sa gitnang silangan. Anjan pa rin ang mga natural calamities na katulad ng matinding lindol, tsunami at nuclear crisis sa bansang Japan. Maaari nating sabihin na maraming mga naka babahalang kaguluhan ang kasalukuyan nagaganap sa buong mundo. Parang walang tigil taon ang ganitong uri ng mga krisis na lumaganap at tumindi na nag umpisa ang taong 2005 up to the present sari-saring sakuna at trahedya ang ating nakikita. Kung inyong kukunin ang opinyon ng isang panatiko sa relihiyon o ang isang katulad ng miyembro ng kulto na Jehovahs Witness marahil ay kanyang sasabihin that the END is near o sa aking mga naririnig-rinig mula sa ibat-ibang mga burn again este born again fanatic Christian groups that the END is also near, kaya datapwat na mag-repent at mag-bago na tayo sa ating masyadong makasalang uri ng pamumuhay. Anong say ninyo Brothers and Sisters. Is it Amen! Amen? Hi ! Hi ! Hi ! Bastat para sa kin ang PANGINOON lamang ang nakakaalam kung kailan ang katapusan ng mundo kaya kayong mga panatikong mga walang magawa sa buhay, kung maari lang ay magsi tabi muna kayo tatal naman ay wala kayong na itutulong sa pag papaganda o pag papabuti ng patakbo ng gobyerno ng sa ganoon ay ika gaganda ng pamumuhay ng marami sa ating mga kababayan naghihirap. Makabubuti pa na atupagin nyo na lang ang kasalukuyan ninyong ginagawang pinapayaman ninyo ang inyong mga PASTOR o mga PINUNO ng inyong simbahan !!!

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Talangang saludo ako sa bansang hapon, bow talaga ako at bilib na bilib ako sa mga hapon ng kung sana ay kahit na sana fifty percent [50%] o kalahati man lang sana ng kanilang delikadeza, honesty and love of country ang mayroon tayo ay maunlad na bansa at katauhan rin sana tayo. Ano ang ibig kong sabihin? Ayon sa BBC and CNN report, wala ni isang report or incidence of looting [pagnanakaw] sa kasalukuyan trahedya ng tsunami ang naganap, hanep ano! Hindi katulad sa naganap ng trahedya ng hurricane Katrina sa New Orleans, Estados Unidos kung saan laganap ang pagnanakaw [looting] sa mga bahay ng mga biktima at wala rin pinag ka iba sa atin sa trahedya ng lahar flow kung saan napakalaking pondo for rehabilitation ay ninakaw rin. Eh kung sa atin nga habang may nagaganap na sunog, nasusunugan na nga ngunit marami ang pakunwaring tumutulong sabay ninanakawan at ganon din sa mga biktima ng ibat-ibang sakuna at trahedya sa ating mga kababayan, Biktima na nga kailangan pang yariin at pagnakawan ng ilan sa ating mga magagalng na kababayan Pilipino lalong lalo na yun mga sugapa at garapal na mga opisyal ng gobyerno na kung magnakaw ay parang walang hanganan. Kung sabagay. WEDER WEDER lang daw. Kaya ipagpatuloy ang kasalukuyan kultura ng **KORAPSYON**. Hep -Hep -Hooray!!! Happy Days of pandurugas, pandarambong, pango-ngorap at pangagantso are here to stay. Mabuhay Ang Pilipino. Mabuhay ang dumagdag na 900 plus Bar Passers, Mabuhay ang mga recent PMA Graduates, Mabuhay ang mga recent PNP Graduates !!! Malaki ang kanilang ma-itutulong sa good governance. Hi ! Hi ! Hi ! Mga UPgraduates, ayoko ng batiin, wala naman na itutulong ang mga iyan sa pag papaganda ng buhay ng Pilipino. **Ngek !!!**

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KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

COA, Malampaya & impeach losing steam

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "...Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience..." (Colossians 3:12, the Holy Bible).

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WHY IS COA SILENT ON THE MALAMPAYA FUNDS? The complaints aired by Patria Ortega, widow of slain Palawan journalist Gerry Ortega, that the Commission on Audit is sitting on its investigation on how the billions of pesos-proceeds from the Malampaya natural gas project are being spent represent another unsavory revelation that the agency has failed in its duty to God and people.

The commission is mandated by law to check the financial transactions of each and every government agency, to assure that each and every centavo in government funds are spent wisely.

Does COA have any valid reason not to complete its Malampaya investigations, as Patria is saying? Or is Patria even correct in her accusations? Can COA stop being silent and instead come out in the open on this issue and explain what the real score is about the Malampaya funds?

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IMPEACHMENT VS. MERCILOSING STEAM? The impeachment case against Ombudsman Merceditas Gutierrez appears to be losing steam at the House of Representatives, and may yet be consigned to oblivion and final decimation.

As of now, it has been relegated to the background and is no longer a priority, so that our lawmakers could tackle a proposed law that Malacanang is pushing—House Bill 4146, which seeks to postpone the August 2011 elections at the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM).

If we are to believe Albay Rep. Edcel Lagman, the Lakas Kampi Coalition leader at the House of Representatives, there is even the danger of not having enough number of congressmen to constitute a quorum when the lower house convenes next week to finally tackle the impeachment case.

What does this mean—happy days are here again for the Ombudsman as she will, as she said, complete her term and be allowed to retire according to law?

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SYNDICATED ESTAFAS VS. REALTORS: The owners and officers of Globe Asiatic appear to be in deep trouble with revelations that they had been using fake and fictitious "buyers" of their house and lot projects just to obtain billions of pesos of loans from the government, through Pag-Ibig and other government financial institutions dealing with housing.

Judging from testimonies being given to state prosecutors of the Department of Justice by former employees of Globe Asiatic, it wouldn't be long before syndicated estafa charges would be filed against the company's owners and officers, requiring them to be detained without bail.

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Peter Valencia-Na Entrap-Guilty or Not Guilt!?!?

BY RUDY "BANTAY SIYASAT" GARCIA



Bago ang HATAW, gusto kong SALUDUHAN ang sanitation division ng Baguio Health Department sa mabilis nilang pag-aksyon sa ipinarating kong reklamo sa kanilang opisina hinggil sa umano'y pag-didiskarga ng mga dumi na nangagaling sa mga ginagawang istraktura sa may Rimando rd., at itinatapon ito diumano sa may kanal sa pamamagitan ng mga "pvc pipes". Op kors gusto ko ring saluduhan ang mga opisyaes ng ABCR barangay sa kanilang pag asiste sa naturang division ng health department.

Ayon sa updated na report, inaksyunan na rin pala ito ng CEPMO at ako ay natutuwa dahil sa kanilang pagsasanib puwersa para mapahinto na itong umano'y iligal na pagtatapon ng mga dumi sa ating mga kanal. Saludo po ang DIRETSAHAN sa inyo mga "apo"!

NALULUNKOT din ako at NANLUMO sa nangyari sa isang kasamahan na natimbog sa isang entrapment ng pulisya kamakailan lang. Marami ang nakakaalam na itong si ginoong Peter Valencia na siyang nahuli sa entrapment ay ang tinutumbok ko na aking "bubuwi" sa aking mga kolumn. Datapwat nagkakasama kami sa ibang "lakaran" ay tinitiyak ko naman na ang mga ito ay legal kaya ako ay nagulat ng ,malaman ko na may iba palang nilalakad ang lintek, at ang hirap, lumalabas na ginamit niya ang ibinigay na ID sa kanya para mang-abuso ng iba.

Nasa korte na ngayon ang kaso na isinampa sa kanya at ang kanyang kontra demanda, at hayaan na ang korte mismo ang tumuklas sa katotohanan at husgahan ang may sala. Por syur, hindi kukunsintihin ng inyong lingkod ang sinumang nagkasala, kasamahan o kabaro man, kaya ABANGAN.....

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Nakakatawa talaga ang "set-up" na nangyayari ngayon sa may palengke. Paano kase, nagtalaga ng mga "marshal" na ang pinagkukunan umano ng kanilang suweldo ay sa mga vendors mismo! At pag nagkakahulihan, ay naiipit na raw tiong mga marshal kung kanino na raw nila ibibigay ang kanilang "loyalty", kung sa mga kasamahan sa "anti-peddling" o sa mga vendor na sumususweldo sa kanila. Hay naku, mukha yatang may "sayad" na ang ating mga lider katulad ng mundong ibabaw na kabi kabila ang nagaganap na trahedya sa iba't ibang

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Monetary Value of Drugs Discouraged in Info Drives, Reporting

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet, - Declaring the amount of confiscated or eradicated illegal drugs should be taken into consideration as it could entice rather than discourage potential cultivators.

This cropped up during the meeting of the Provincial Peace and Order Council held March 16 at the Provincial Capitol.

Former President of the Benguet Farmer's Federation, Inc. Jose Andiso cited that farmers like him could be enticed on the reported millions worth of illegal drugs and be otherwise tempted to cultivate marijuana rather than till vegetables which is a laborious undertaking with lesser crop value.

In information drives and in reporting eradication or confiscation operations, the monetary value of marijuana and other illegal drugs should not be declared as it could entice potential cultivators.

Dr. Julie Cabato of Shontoug rebutted the argument of Andiso saying that farmers in the province are not foolish to just endeavor on the tilling of illegal drugs such as marijuana.

Cabato strongly believes that farmers in the province are intelligent. They know the ill effects of planting illegal drugs. Not unless they have tainted values and are lured with the material world being advertised in the mass media.

On the claim of the medical attribution of marijuana, Cabato said that it is a fact that this is being utilized as pain killers in one of the states of America but this is still being regulated.

Vice Governor Crescencio Pacalso, who presided over the meeting, said this concern should be taken into consideration./S

price monitoring body reactivated

BAGUIO CITY - Mayor Mauricio Domogan reactivated the Baguio City Price Monitoring and Coordinating Council in the city to guard against unauthorized price increases and illegal trade practices like hoarding in the wake of the oil price hikes caused by the unrests in the Middle East and natural calamities that struck other countries.

In Administrative Order No. 35, the mayor also reconstituted the team which will continue to be headed by the mayor himself as chair with city treasurer Thelma Manaois as action officer with the following as members: Dept. of Trade and Industry Cordillera regional director, city council committee on market, trade and commerce chair, city police director, public order and safety division head, the presidents of the Baguio-Benguet Groceries and Supermarkets Association, Baguio-La Trinidad Hardwares and Electrical Association and Baguio-Benguet Traders and Entrepreneurs Association and he city treasurer's office staff as secretariat.

The body will take on the following tasks:

- *Regularly inspect public and private markets and rice warehouses;

- *Activate hotlines, consumer complaints desks and Timbangan ng Bayan;

- *Deputize barangay officials and non-government organizations to monitor abnormal price increases;

- *Coordinate with appropriate government agencies to prevent unwarranted price increase and hoarding of rice and other prime commodities;

- *Monitor, convene and formulate policies and strategies to keep prices of consumer goods at reasonable level;

- *Formulate policies and measures to address and mitigate hoarding and exorbitant, excessive or unreasonable price increase of essential and prime commodities;

- *Regularly update price billboards in wet markets and set up the same in various markets;

- *Regularly inspect weighing scales and prices tags in all retail outlets including wet markets.

The mayor also tasked the council to meet once a month or whenever necessary to mitigate the effects of the sudden surge in the prices of basic commodities triggered by the worsening Middle East conflicts.

In his order, the mayor noted that that the move is in line with Republic Act No. 7581 otherwise known as the Price Act of 1992 which provides for the overall protection of the consumers by helping stabilize the price and supply of basic necessities and prime commodities by prescribing measures against undue price increases, especially during emergency situations.

"The law required executive action among local government officials to address potential hoarding and overpricing of essential basic commodities for the benefit of the general public and to spare them from the abuse of unscrupulous and enterprising traders and entrepreneurs," the mayor noted.

"There is an urgent need to immediately reconstitute the local price monitoring and coordinating council in order to prevent the artificial increase in the prices of basic commodities triggered by the unpredictable increase in the oil prices which is being aggravated by the conflict in Libya and other Middles East countries," he said./A Refuerzo

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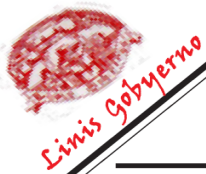
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pate with the air before they would be able to reach in the Philippines.

But just how bad is a nuclear fallout from Japan? In 1998, the US distributed guidelines for radioactive environments. Here is a reproduction of the guidelines as documented by www.stripes.com:

Based on the guidelines, the normal should be below 50 millirems and elevated levels of radiation can range from 50 to 500 millirems where 3 persons can die in a city of 10 million. In the 500 to 5,000 millirems, 25 people can die. So far, nobody is painting this scenario for the Philippines. Nothing in this discussion should be interpreted to mean that we will be in the 500 to 5,000 millirems this May 2011 once the winds from Japan would be blowing into the Philippines (as per the Philvocs report). However, what this discussion attempts to highlight is that we must prepare for the worst-case scenario as early as today. If the worst case scenario will be below 500 millirems, then perhaps we need not do anything. However, the worst scenario can also be a lot worst.

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Tanong ng Linis Gobyerno kay Juan Dela Cruz at madlang Pipol, may pag-babago ba sa kasalukuyan liderato ng DOTC hingil sa KORAPSYON ???



TRAFFIC VIOLATION NILULUTO ANG MULTA. ISANG MATINDING URI NG KORAPSYON SA RTAS, DOTC-CAR

Makikita sa baba ang isang liham kay Director Celina Claver, Regional Director, DOTC-CAR kung saan ating ipinararating sa kanya ang diumano ay fixing [ayusan] hingil sa multa ng traffic violations. Isang malinaw na halimbawa an gating ipinararating sa kanya kung saan mayroon ng supposed to be ay RTAS computer print out na kung saan ito ay dapat na isa rin online reporting to the LTO central office within 24 hours. Ngunit, ang lumalabas ay isa lamang fake or falsified print out na siguradong hindi umabot sa LTO Central Office ang nasabing violation. Ang modus operandi sa ganitong klaseng **KORAPSYON** at **ANOMALYA** ay ganito.

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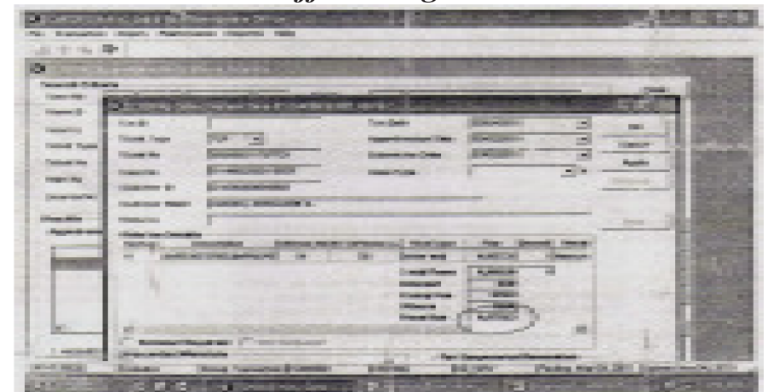
Alam ba ito ni Director Claver ? May cut ba dito si Director Claver ? Sino o sino-sino sa RTAS ang kakontsaba sa ganito uri ng **KORAPSYON** ? Sa puntong ito ay mayroon kayang isinasagawang masusing honest to goodness investigation si Director Claver with the intent and purpose na matigil ang ganitong uri ng matinding korapsyon o isang cover-up, palusutan blues and possible fall—guy scenario ang kasalukuyan niluluto ? Abangan ang kasagutan ni Director Claver sa ating liham na kanyang natanggap nuong March 8, 2011, mayroon siyang up to 15 days for her reply as allowed for at RA 6713.



Liham na ipinadala kay Director Celina B. Claver nuong March 8, 2011 kung saan ipinaalam sa kanya ang isang halimbawa ng korapsyon mismo sa kanyang tanggapan ng RTAS, DOCT-CAR !!!



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REPUBLIC OF THE
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MUNICIPAL
TRIAL COURT OF
LA TRINIDAD
FIRST JUDICIAL
REGION
Benguet Province

CHRISTINE
WANGDALI,
Rep. by MONICA W.
ORAS,

Plaintiff,

-versus-

BERNARDO
MANIS,

Defendant.

CIVIL CASER- 1144

For:

Sum of Money

PUBLICATION OF
DECISION

WHEREAS, on 19 July 2010, the Court rendered a Decision in the above-entitled case, and quoted as follows:

"Through the instant action file on June 24, 2009, plaintiff Christine Wangdali through her Attorney-in-Fact Monica W. Oras (Annex "A" to the Complaint) wants to collect from the defendant Bernardo Manis, the sum of P80, 000. 00 representing the principal amount of the loan secured by the latter from the former sometime in April 14, 1994. In her Complaint, plaintiff likewise prays that defendant pay her interests at the legal rate, moral damages and attorney's fees.

The summons and a copy of the Complaint were returned un-served to the defendant for the reason that he is unknown at the given address. Plaintiff thus availed of summons by publication and despite the publications made on February 14 and 21, 2010 in the Northern Philippine Times, a newspaper of general circulation in Northern Luzon and in the Province of Benguet, defendant failed to file his Answer within the period prescribed by law which is sixty (60) days from the last publication and up to this time. Plain-

tiff submitted to court copies of the newspaper publications and the Affidavit of publication executed Alfred Dizon, the publisher of Northern Philippine Times.

This being covered by the Rule on Summary Procedure, the plaintiff submitted her Position Paper attaching therein her documentary evidence.

According to plaintiff, defendant Bernardo Manis, through his Attorney-in-Fact Armie Akia, and the latter by virtue of a Special Power of Attorney (Exhibit "A"), obtained from plaintiff a loan in the sum of P 80,000. 00. The loan is payable within a period of six (6) months from April 14, 1994 or until October 14, 1994. To guarantee the payment of the said loan, defendant through hey said Attorney-in-Fact executed a Real Estate Mortgage (Exhibit A-1) over that parcel of land covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 34836 of the Registry of Deeds of Baguio City with an area of 2,453 square meters, including the improvements thereon. The debt of the defendant has long become overdue, but defendant failed to pay the same despite demands. The last written demand was sent to the defendant through registered mail on October 28, 2008 (Exhibit "B").

Instead of foreclosing the mortgage property, plaintiff opted to file this collection case in court and had to resort to serve the summons through publication because defendant could not be located and seemed to have become unreachable.

The Real Estate Mortgage (Exhibit "A-1") was executed by the defendant through his Attorney-in-Fact Armie Akia as Mortgagor, in favor of the plaintiff as mortgagee before the faith of Notary Public Ramil Lopez as Doc No. 15, Page no. 03, Book No. 01, Series of 1994. Apparently, defendant Bernardo Manis himself even signed as a witness to the docu-

ment. The Indebtedness incurred by the defendant through his Attorney-in-Fact is clearly spelled out in the said Real Estate Mortgage, to wit:

That the Mortgagor is indebted to the Mortgagee in the sum of Eighty Thousand Pesos (P80, 000. 00) Philippine Currency, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and confessed payable within a period of six (6) months from April 14, 1994 or until October 14, 1994."

The court holds of Real Estate Mortgage is the law between the parties and must be enforced accordingly. This is in accord with the Article 1159 of the New Civil Code, which provides that, obligation arising from contracts have the force of law between the contracting parties and should be complied within good faith." Plaintiff meanwhile has the option to choose as to what remedy to take, either to pursue a collection case or to foreclose the property subject matter of the mortgage.

The rule is settled that a mortgage creditor may, in the recovery of a debt secured by a real estate mortgage, institute against the mortgage debtor either a personal action for the collection of the debt or a real action to foreclose the mortgage. These remedies available to the mortgage creditor are deemed alternative and not cumulative. An election of one remedy operates as a waiver of the other. (Suico Rattan & Buri Interiors, Inc. et al vs. Court of Appeals and Metro Bank, G. R. No. 138145, June 15, 2006, citing Bank of America NT & SA vs. American Realty Corporation and Court of Appeals, 378 Phil 1279, 1290-1291 (1999), 321 SCRA 659, 668).

The liability of defendant Bernardo Manis for the indebtedness contracted by her Attorney-in-Fact, Armie Akia under the Real Estate Mortgage dated April 14, 1994 is provided under Article 1910 of the New Civil Code, thus:

Art. 1910. The principal must com-

ply with all the obligations which the agent may have contracted within the scope of his authority. As for any obligation wherein the agent has exceeded his power, the principal is not bound except when he ratifies it expressly or tacitly.

In the present case, defendant Bernardo Manis even signed as witness in the Real Estate Mortgage, which only shows that he has expressly consented in the obligation being contracted by his Attorney-in-Fact Armie Akia.

The Latin expression, *Que per alium facit per seipsum facere videtur* - "He who does a thing by an agent is considered as doing it himself", says it all. (Prudential Bank vs. Court of Appeals, et al G. R. No. 108957, June 14, 1993).

Since defendant did not file any answer, this is likened to judgment rendered against a party in default, hence, the court cannot award unliquidated damages like moral damages being claimed by the plaintiff. However, since plaintiff was constrained to seek the services of the counsel in order to collect from defendant a monetary obligation which was past long overdue, plaintiff is entitled to a reasonable amount by way of attorney's fees, which the court hereby fix at P 20, 000. 00.

Wherefore, premises considered, judgment is rendered ordering defendant Bernardo Manis, to pay plaintiff Christine Wangdali the sum of P 80, 000. 00 representing the monetary indebtedness contracted by his attorney-in-fact Armie Akia as evidenced by the real estate mortgage dated April 1, 1994, with legal interest computed from the time of judicial demand until fully paid and the sum of P 20, 000. 00 by way of attorney's fees. Costs de oficio.

So Ordered."

Whereas, on 09 February 2011, plaintiff filed a Motion

praying that the aforesaid Decision be affected upon the defendant by publication which the court granted per Order dated February 21, 2011, considering that summons to the defendant was also made through publication.

Whereas, pursuant to and in compliance with the Order of the Court dated February 21, 2011, this publication is being made for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Benguet

and suburbs. Copy of this publication was likewise sent to the last known address of the defendant.

Witness the HONORABLE DELELLAH GONZALES-MONUZ, Presiding Judge of this court, this 28th day of February, 2011 at La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines.

By: (SDG) JENNIFER N. PALAEZ
Clerk of Court II

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Lawmaker on Aquino's promise to fight corruption: Where are the cases? Where are the facts?.....from page 1

"Whether we agree on it or not, they did their homework. This should serve as the Aquino administration's wakeup call," the senator said.

"We always read in the papers that there are anomalies in the DPWH, that there were projects that did not go through public bidding. We also discovered anomalies in the GOCCs but where is the accountability?" he further asked.

Cayetano noted that when the Aquino government abolished the Presidential Commission Against Graft and Corruption and the Truth Commission was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court, no government agency has initiated an investigation into the alleged irregularities committed by the past administration.

"Who's conducting the investigations of the issues they promised they were going to investigate last elections? So far, the House and the Senate have been the ones investigating," he pointed out.

"Although the President is doing a good job in making sure that there is no corruption in his government, I think that they lack action in running after the past administration," said the senator.

"Whether we call it a commission or a fact-finding committee, through an independent body or even using the DoJ (Department of Justice), we have to chase after those who should be accountable to the people. Even departments could do their own investigation," Cayetano stated.

The senator also said the Aquino administration should not rely on Gutierrez's impeachment to hold corrupt people accountable.

"The Ombudsman impeachment case should not be the sole focus of the administration's effort to end to corruption. Equal effort should be exerted on prosecuting individuals who are directly involved in graft and corruption, and also in arming the administration itself against corruption," he stressed.

REPUBLIC OF THE
PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL
COURT
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FAMILY COURT
OF BAGUIO CITY

IN RE: PETITION
FOR THE
ADOPTION
OF VOLUNTARY
COMMITTED
MINOR
CHILD MARIA
ANGELA
BULACSO AND
CHANGE OF HER
NAME TO CHIQUI
GLUNAG

SPOUSES RUTH
JOY G. LUNAG AND
ALDRICH G.
LUNAG

PETITIONERS,

-VERSUS-

THE LOCAL CIVIL
REGISTRAR OF
BAGUIO CITY,
RESPONDENT.

SPEC. PROC. CASE
NO. 376-A

ORDER

The above-entitled verified petition was filed by the petitioner, through counsel, and unto this Honorable Court, stating that;

1. Petitioners, spouses Aldrich Lunag and Ruth Joy Lunag Guinid-Lunag are both of legal age, Filipino citizens, and residents of #39 Holy Ghost Extension, Baguio City;

2. Respondent, who is the Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City, with office address at T. Alonzo Street, Baguio City, is pleaded as a nominal party being in custody of the Certificate of Live Birth of the prospective adoptee;

3. Petitioners are husband and wife having contracted marriage on 28 June 2008 at Baguio City, Philippines as evidenced by the Certificate of Marriage under Registry No. 2008-00910 issued by the National Statistics Office, herein attached as Annex "A" and made integral part of this petition.

4. Petitioners desire to jointly adopt the minor named MARIA ANGELA BULACSO who was born on February 2009 at Baguio City, Philippines and illegitimate child of AUREA MAE BULACSO. A copy of the Certificate of Live Birth of MARIA ANGELA BULACSO under Registry No. 2009-01792 by the National Statistics Office is herein attached as Annex "B" and made integral part of this petition;

5. There is no indication father of the said minor in her Certificate of Live Birth. However, in the case study report of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), the father of the said minor is a certain MICHAEL STA. ANA whose existence and whereabouts is unknown;

6. Before giving birth, AUREA MAE BULACSO informed the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) of her intention to have her child adopted;

7. Upon birth, MARIA ANGELA BULACSO was left by AUREA MAE BULACSO at the Baguio General Hospital (BGH).

8. AUREA MAE BULACSO was contacted by Social Worker Brenda Balingao at her contact number which she gave when she went to the DSWD to inform them of her intention to have her child adopted and she expressly gave her written consent that her child be adopted, as evidenced by the Deed of Voluntary Commitment hereto attached as annex "C" and made an integral part of the petition;

9. The minor child was given to the care of Lingap Center, Pugu, La Trinidad, Benguet Province after her discharge at the BGH.

10. The petitioners applied as adoptive parents and has submitted all the requirements with DSWD from March to April 2009;

11. The Matching Committee has matched the Petitioners with the minor child MARIA ANGELA BULACSO

during her regular matching conference;

12. Thereafter, commencing on 1 July 2009 until the present date, the minor was placed by the DSWD-CAR on supervised trial custody with the petitioners for a period of six (6) months under a Pre-Adoption Placement Authority with PAPA No. 07-09-002 dated 1 July 2010 herein attached as Annex "D";

13. MARIA ANGELA BULACSO resided with the petitioners at their residence #39 Holy Ghost Extension, Baguio City at the ALDRICH G. LUNAG's parents house at # 157 Brookspoint, Aurora Hill, Baguio City;

14. Petitioners who have developed an attachment with the DSWD-CAR have grown to love and treat her as their own child;

15. Petitioners have been providing the needed physical, emotional, financial, moral and psychological support to the minor child;

16. Since the commitment of the minor child, her biological mother, father or any of her relatives never visited her;

17. Petitioners have no child of their own, legitimate or illegitimate;

18. Petitioners RUTH JOY GUINID-LUNAG is a duly licensed Certified Public Accountant and a Lawyer. She is employed as Director III, at the Internal audit office, Office of the President, Malacanang, Manila;

19. While petitioner ALDRICH G. LUNAG is currently a Drug Enforcement Officer (Intelligence Officer I) at the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency;

20. Petitioner ALDRICH GLUNAG was born on 26 November 1976 at Baguio City while petitioner RUTH JOY GUINID-LUNAG was born on 11 January 1980 at Zambales, Philippines. Their respective Certificates of Live Birth are herein attached as Annexes "E" and "F";

21. Petitioners more than SIXTEEN (16) years older than the prospective adoptee and are morally physically, emotionally, psychologically, spiritually and financially capable of adopting, loving, rearing, caring for and maintaining MARIA

ANGELA BULACSO as their own daughter;

22. Petitioners are of good moral character, law abiding citizens and have never been convicted or accused of any crime involving moral turpitude or any infraction of the law and has undergone Pre-Adoption Services provided by the DSWD. They both possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to adopt under the laws. A copy of the certificate of the Participation in the Adoption and Foster Care Orientation dated 21 May 2009 is herein attached as annex "G";

23. While the minor child MARIA ANGELA BULACSO is not disqualified by law to be adopted;

24. After the expiration of the six (6) months supervised trial custody, a Social Case Study Report dated 12 March 2010 regarding MARIA ANGELA BULACSO and her biological parents was prepared by Julie C. Balagot, Social Welfare Officer (SWO) II is herein attached as Annex "H" and made integral part of this petition.

25. Further, an updated Home Study Report dated 29 March 2010 about the prospective Adoptive Parents, herein Petitioners, was prepared by Nora B. Jacinto, SWO II of the DSWD-CAR and is herein attached as Annex "I" and made integral part of this petition;

26. Based on the favorable recommendation in the case study report, the Regional Director of the DSWD-CAR expressly gave her consent to the adoption as evidenced by an Affidavit of Consent herein attached as Annex "J";

27. To the honest and best belief of the petitioners, this adoption would redound to the best interest and welfare of the said minor;

28. In the Certificate of Live Birth of the minor MARIA ANGELA BULACSO, MARIA ANGELA was indicated as her first name;

29. Since her stay with petitioners on 1 July 2009 until the present date, she has been called CHIQUI because her name MARIA ANGELA is too long;

30. The name

CHIQUI is also chosen because CHI refers to life and it is included in the name ALDRICH. The name CHIQUI is therefore more meaningful and significant to petitioners who consider the minor a gift of life to them considering that they have yet no children of their own. In contrast, the name MARIA ANGELA has no meaning and significance to petitioners;

31. The minor child responds to the first name CHIQUI and the petitioners, their relatives and friends have come to accept and acknowledge CHIQUI as the real and true first name of the minor child. The minor child has been habitually, continuously and publicly known as CHIQUI;

32. So to avoid any confusion and to adopt CHIQUI as the correct first name of the minor child, it is the desire of the petitioner that the first name of MARIA ANGELA be change to CHIQUI;

33. Petitioner is filing this instant petition not for any illegal purpose whatsoever, but merely for purposes of changing the first name of the minor child to what she has been habitually and continuously known and called since her stay with the petitioners;

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully prayed, that upon due notice, publication and hearing, judgment be entered adjudging thus;

1. That the minor MARIA ANGELA BULACSO be freed from all legal obligations of obedience and maintenance with respect to her natural parents, and that she be declared to all legal intents and purposes, the child of the herein petitioners through the issuance of a DECREE OF ADOPTION;

2. To change the first name of the minor from MARIA ANGELA to CHIQUI;

3. Order that GUINID be entered as her middle name

and Lunag be entered as the last name of said minor, to conform to the surnames of the petitioner;

4. Order the Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City to cause the proper changes in their records of birth relative and pertinent to this petition; and

5. Other reliefs just and equitable under the premises are likewise prayed for.

Finding the petition to be sufficient in form and substance, let the same be heard before the Regional Trial Court, Branch 4, Baguio City, on May 18, 2011, at 8:30 o'clock in the morning, at which place date and time, the Petitioner shall prove her case. Any person interested may appear and show cause, if there be, why said petition should not be granted.

Let a copy of this Order be published at the expense of the Petitioner in the Junction newspaper, a local newspaper of general circulation in Baguio City, once a week in three (3) consecutive weeks before aforesaid hearing, the first publication to be published not later than March 16, 2011.

Furnished copies hereof together with a copy of the Petition and its annexes, to the Office of the Solicitor General, Makati City, the Local Civil Registrar of Baguio City, the Office of the City Prosecutor of Baguio, the Court Social Worker of Regional Trial Court, for her to submit her Case Study Report to the Court not later than the scheduled hearing and the Petitioner and counsel.

SO ORDERED.

GIVEN this 7th day of March, 2011, at Baguio City, Philippines.

MIA JOY C.
OALLARES-CAWED
Presiding Judge

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April 2, 2011

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bansa. Pagkatapos ng lindol at tsunami, banta naman ngayon ng radiation! Hesusmaryosep ang gulo pwehh!

Editorial

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These were often shaped by pacification, counter-insurgency and lately counter-terrorism", instead of resolving conflict. Peace negotiations were undermined."

Like traditional politicians, resource-strapped rebels "trade on the promise of better living standards and other benefits. All need public support and far-sighted leaders. Over 7,000 MNLF members were reintegrated into the Armed Forces. But MNLF failed to recreate itself as Nur Misuari and associates replicated self-serving practices of traditional politicians.

Retaining relevance after peace is more difficult than waging revolution. Many unravel after achieving a peace agreement. There should be room for internal reform, such as ensuring respect for human rights.

"Primed and Purposeful" should make the reading list of policy makers and ordinary citizens. "In a profound sense, all insurgencies hold up a mirror to mainstream society," an earlier Philippine Human Development asserted.

"(They) challenge it to deliver to minority populations and the deprived what it seems to provide adequately to majorities...By engaging in the peace process, with its erstwhile challengers and adversaries, Philippine society itself should emerge a better one."/Juan L. Mercado



Juliet Florentino Bando

Kabayan, Benguet and Hillside, Baguio City

August 31, 1949 – March 13, 2011

Husband: Marcelino "Naval" Bando (deceased)
Children:

Grace Bando Allan Bando Rowena Bando

Grandchild: Jullanah Ibay Bando

Siblings:

Carlos "Belon" Florentino (deceased) Celestia Peter Campos Florentino

Wilfredo Florentino (deceased)

Thank you to the following for their support and prayers:

(Palm Valley International School, Laguna) (CREBA Baguio – Benguet Chapter) (Pyramid Memorial Park Crematory) (Hillside Senior Citizens c/o Mr. Dino Damatac) (Mr. Paeng Valencia and Jun Florendo) (Engr. Edwin Zamora) (La Funeraria Paz) (Atty. Jose Molintas) (Mr. Gary Aligmayo) (Mr. Cesar Dalang and Ralph Canam) (Jesus Delgado Memorial Hospital and Paranaque Medical Center (PMC) Dra. Francesca Magbanuag of PMC) (Neighbors from Hillside Barangay) (Relatives from Kabayan, Benguet and Besao, Mt. Prov. Friends of the Bando family)

PDEA Reports Filed

ince.

PDEA-CAR also reported the conveyance of marijuana originating particularly from the towns of Bakun, Kibungan, and Kapangan. The illegal drug is transported to Ilocos Sur then

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to La Union then it goes to Pampanga then to Cavite. From Cavite, it may either be shipped to Manila, Cebu or to Boracay.

PDEA-CAR together with other concerned agencies such as the Philippine National Police, the provincial and municipal government among others are conducting lectures and symposia in support to the campaign against illegal drugs.

PDEA believes that the affected towns should be empowered through lectures and symposia on the harmful effect of the drugs.

Among the reasons why cultivation still persists is due to lack of information on the harmful effects of the illegal drugs and due to high profit for a short period of time compared to engaging into farming.

There were recommendations to minimize or put a stop on the proliferation of marijuana plantations such as massive drug awareness campaign, for the Dangerous Drugs Board to sustain its monitoring on the progress of alternative livelihood programs extended to affected areas and strengthening of the Anti-Marijuana Task Force./Susan Aro/PIA CAR

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Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City

HERMINIO M. ANGAGA

Applicants

Case No:2000-01-1634

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation and passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - FERNANDINO SUBD. (IRISAN) and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on April 8, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, 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 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 16th day of March 2011.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
Attorney IV

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING
AND REGULATORY BOARD
Cordillera Administrative Region
Baguio City

WILSON CARAME

Applicants

Case No:2004-BAG-CAR-0345

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Extension of Validity of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a TAXI Service for the transportation and passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO CITY TO ANY POINT CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on April 8, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 15th day of March 2011.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
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Baguio City

DEXTER NALIBSAN - Vendor

LEO S. MADARANG - Vendee

Applicants

Case No:87-01-1552/2011-CAR-138

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation and passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - SAN-ANGAN, ITOGON and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on April 15, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.

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This application shall be acted upon 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 9th day of March 2011.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
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Baguio City

ARSENNIO CATAWE - Vendor

EUGENE A. CATAWE - Vendee

Applicants

Case No:96-BC-154/2011-CAR-150

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for Sale and Transfer of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation and passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - BROOKSIDE and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on April 15, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.

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WITNESS, the Honorable CELINA B. CLAVER - Regional Director this 15th day of March 2011.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
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Baguio City

ROMEO FANGLAYAN

Applicants

Case No:96-BC-202

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the approval of Petition for the Extension of Validity filed on March 10, 2011 of a Certificate of Public Convenience to operate a PUJ Service for the transportation and passengers and freights on the Line: BAGUIO PLAZA - PINSALO PILOT and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on April 8, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Pacdal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant shall formally submit his/her evidences.

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This application shall be acted upon 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 10th day of March 2011.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
Attorney IV

Business Permit Probe Team Formed

BAGUIO CITY – Mayor Mauricio Domogan last week formed an ad hoc fact-finding committee to conduct investigations on issues and problems involving business permits.

Assistant City Treasurer Alicia Onoza and Legal Officer III Atty. Hannah Calitong will head the team composed of four key personnel of the city treasurer's office.

In his Administrative Order No. 31, the mayor said business proprietors who apply for business permits pursuant to Tax Ordinance 2000-01 "get entangled with problems related to their partners, previous occupants of the business establishments and ownership of the rights to the business and the like."

The mayor said the issues necessitate investigations "to give contending parties due process and ascertain whether or not there is basis on whether or not to issue a business permit" thus the city government should have a team to conduct said investigations.

The committee will be tasked to conduct investigations and to decide on the issues brought forth. It was also given authority to issue subpoenas and facilitate other legal processes relating to the problems.

It will be given 45 days to complete each investigation and to submit findings and recommendations to the city mayor's office./A Refuerzo



COUNTRY'S OUTSTANDING COUNCILOR - Councilor Betty Lourdes Tabanda receives a cash award from Senator Egardo Angara and officers of the Philippine Jaycees worth P 1 million for having been chosen as one of the Outstanding Councilors of the Philippines held at Mall of Asia, Pasay City March 9 during the 8th National Congress of the Philippines League. A Special Allotment Release Order (SARO) accompanied the check for the release of the said amount which shall be utilized to fund the construction of livelihood center, an identified priority project of Councilor Tabanda specially for the barangay women entrepreneurs./By Bong Cayabyab

Bocaps now Anti-Squatting Czars

BAGUIO CITY – City Mayor Mauricio Domogan this week signed Administrative order No. 33 designating all punong barangays in the city as guardians and protectors against squatting and illegal constructions in their respective barangays.

The AO is premised on guidelines set forth by the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) to address the proliferation of informal settlers in the country as contained in a memorandum circular issued by Sec. Jesse Robredo to all governors, mayors and punongbarangays.

Domogan also cited Sec. 391(a) (18) of the Local Govern-

ment Code of 1991 (RA 7160) which sanctions the Sanguniang Barangay to adopt measures to prevent and control the proliferation of squatters and mendicants in the barangay.

Although the memo of the DILG tasks local government units to relocate informal settlers "with due regard to general welfare and well-being", Domogan said 'newly built illegal structures will be subjected to summary demolition specially those not qualified under the Urban Development and Housing Act' citing Sec. 30 par. 2 of RA 7279 which provides that the barangay, municipal or city government units shall prevent the construction of

any kind of illegal dwelling units or structures within their respective localities.

"I task all barangay captains to prevent and control the construction of all illegal structures and squatting in their respective jurisdictions", he said in the exercise of his general supervision over all barangays of the city.

Domogan also said 'the city will double its efforts in protecting its remaining forest covers, water reserves and parks from 'professional squatters' with the help of barangay officials and the citizenry'./paulrillorta

PDEA Reports Filed Cases on Illegal Drugs

L A TRINIDAD, Benguet, The Philippine Drug En-

forcement Agency – CAR reported a total of 127 cases filed since 2000 to date on the drive

against illegal drugs.

In a meeting of the Provincial Peace and Order Council held March 16, PDEA reported that of the 127 cases filed with the Office of the Prosecutor,

Mayor warns pranks to stop, City to intensify disaster preparedness

BAGUIO CITY – City Mayor Mauricio Domogan Monday warned the public not to believe in messages circulating via text that the country will be exposed to radiation from the damaged Fukushima Nuclear Power Plants in Japan.

This, as rumors of alleged "acid rain" or "radioactive rain" which would affect the country is spreading like wild fire.

Domogan said "during calamities, the best thing to do is not to panic" as this will do more harm than good.

Philippine

Nuclear Research Institute (PNRI) also assured the public that the Philippines is not in the path of any plume that may have been released by the nuclear power plant and that there was no reported meltdown in the damaged plant.

The Department of Health also released statement saying "the country is safe from radiation exposure".

The letter also read 'the DOH and all government agencies are monitoring the situation on an hourly basis and have prepared contingency measures'.

there were only 14 convictions since 2000. Two were provisionally dismissed, 25 were dismissed, 58 are pending, 24 were acquitted while four were archived.

The leading choice of illegal drugs in the province is still shabu and marijuana is just an alternate drug even as the province is the major producer of marijuana in the

Meanwhile, Domogan will intensify disaster awareness and preparedness by implementing safety and earthquake drills as this will prove helpful once the city is struck with yet another powerful earthquake experienced in July of 1990.

Domogan also urged constituents to 'continue preparing themselves for any eventuality'.

'We will be coordinating with agencies so we can be ready and prepared', Domogan said.

"Best thing is, we should ask help from above", he quipped./paulrillorta

country, according to PDEA-CAR.

However, PDEA-CAR reported the absence of clandestine operations of shabu in the province. **Cont. on page 11**

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