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LONG LIVE THE FILIPINO!!!

Tourism Law Requires Tourism Enterprises to Accredite

The Sitel waiting sheds in exchange for 169 pieces of vests donated to Baguio (2 sheds not in photo)



SITEL WAITING SHEDS BAKIT MERON PA?!!! The Sitel-ridden waiting sheds remain unpainted despite orders from the local government for their re-painting, there should be repercussions if private companies (who sign MOAs with the city) refuse to heed orders from authorities./Grace Bandy

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Protech Allowed to Collect Wastes from Barangays; Move Practical, Says Mayor

BAGUIO CITY – The move to allow Pro Tech Machinery Corporation (Pro Tech) to directly collect non-biodegradable refuse from the barangays is expected to boost the efficiency of the city's waste collection system.

Mayor Mauricio Domogan on Wednesday expressed confidence that giving the authority on Pro Tech's hands-on collection in the barangays at no cost to the city, albeit still on experimental run for one month, is a practical move as the city will be relieved of the task of collecting the trash and thus will save on hauling and transport costs.

In his Administrative Order No. 125, the mayor granted authority to Pro Tech to help collect the generated garbage from the designated pick-up points in the different barangays in accordance with the collection schedules and subsequently haul them directly out of Baguio on experimental basis from October 1-31.

"There is a need for the City Government to avail of any possible assistance to be extended by groups, individuals and companies in order to improve the collection of wastes in the 128 barangays and to empower local residents to segregated their garbage at source to ensure a more effective and efficient collection of garbage in the future," the mayor noted.

The direct collection by Pro Tech will do away with the need for a transfer station to sort out the wastes thus freeing the Irisan controlled dump facility from hosting more wastes for sorting as was the practice.

The mayor said the city is trying to locate a possible permanent transfer station for sorting out non-biodegradables but no area has so far been pinpointed.

The mayor said Pro Tech offered to collect both the nonbiodegradable and biodegradable wastes but he said he only allowed the collection of nonbiodegradables at the moment.

He said that should the system prove advantageous at the end of the month-long experiment, then the city could adopt it permanently.

He assured that no personnel in the solid waste division will be displaced once the system is made permanent.

The city at present has 98 employees serving as garbage collectors and dump truck drivers and the mayor said the city government will see to it that all of them will be absorbed in the other departments.

He said he has directed the city human resource management office to freeze the hiring of utility workers, drivers and laborers and other related positions to accommodate the 90 employees.

The mayor said he believes that the city council will receive well his allowing Pro Tech's direct involvement in waste collection. "Whatever it is that will help our city perfect our waste management, then by all means let us do it," the mayor said.

Pro Tech presently utilizes the city's trucks and personnel in the collection process but gave assurance of adding more trucks in the coming days to improve the service.

Pro Tech assured that it will also continue to haul out the remaining fresh non-biodegradable wastes at the Irisan controlled dumpsite except the inert wastes left by the trash slide.

The firm is bound by an agreement with the city government to take charge of hauling out the city's residual wastes as part of its deal with the city on the Environmental Recycling System (ERS)./A Refuerzo

Stiffer Penalties For Tampering, Theft Of Disaster Risk Reduction and Preparedness Equipments to be Enacted Soon

LA TRINIDAD

The enactment into law of House Bill 4010, an Act that would mandate stiffer penalties on the offense of stealing or tampering of risk reduction and preparedness equipment is one of the priorities of President Benigno Aquino III and Congress through the Legislative-Executive Development Advisory Council (LEDAC).

This was af-

firmed by AGHAM Party List Representative Angelo Palmones who authored the said bill, during a press conference at the Benguet State University last week, in line with the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) 2011 Regional S & T Fair and Invention Contest cum Exhibit.

According to Palmones, once HB 4010 is enacted into law, it would elevate the tampering or theft of such devices

from an ordinary theft to an offense that will be punishable by 10 to 15 years imprisonment and a penalty that ranges from P100,000 to P300,000.

Palmones explained that pilferage, tampering or theft of disaster risk reduction equipments such as the monitoring devices of the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Service Administration (PAGASA) and Phil-

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DENR Confident of Accomplishing

NGP Target

BAGUIO CITY

The region will accomplish its target this year in the National Greening Program (NGP) even as it ranks seventh in accomplishments among regions in the country as of September.

"We are right on track, we are slowly reaching our

objective and I am positive that we will reach our objective," Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Cordillera Regional Executive Director Clarence Baguilat declared.

In the Cordillera region, the NGP program shall plant some 3,400,000 trees covering 6,838 hectares for a period of

six years.

The province of Abra leads in accomplishment, followed by Benguet, Kalinga, Mt. Province, Ifugao and Apayao, Baguilat said.

In order to ensure the successful implementation of the NGP, all students identified by the Department of Educa-

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Doctors say Trainee Nurses Big Help in Giving Health Services

BAGUIO CITY

The termination of all volunteer or trainee nurses in Department of Health (DOH)-retained government hospitals by virtue of Department Memorandum no. 0238, have impact on the delivery of health services to the public.

This was attested by two doctors of the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center, in a kapihan media forum, Wednesday.

According to Dr. Nieves Macaranas, head of the Under Five Clinic of the BGHMC, the termination of trainee

nurses has an effect in health services delivery. After providing training of at least one month, the trainee nurses are already helping their staff in providing health counseling and basic health care services to the mothers and their babies who comes to their clinic.

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Benguet Reports P40 M Damages to Crops

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet - The onslaught of two succeeding typhoons Pedring and Quiel brought great damages to agricultural crops in the province totaling to P40 million.

Gov Nestor Fongwan admitted the agriculture sector was affected so much by both typhoons but he assured that there is enough supply of most vegetables being produced in the province.

Temporary shortage of vegetable supply might only be for pepper, beans and lettuce as most of these crops are on the vegetative stage, according to Fongwan.

Benguet supplies most of the highland vegetables requirement of Metro Manila.

Provincial Agriculturist Lolita Bentes said validation of reports to verify the extent of damage in agriculture in the various towns will still take place.

But more damage was noted during typhoon Pedring due to its heavy rains with gusty winds, said Fongwan adding, "Kung ano ang inumpisahan ng (typhoon) Pedring dinaanan lang niya" (referring to typhoon Quiel).

Fongwan said definitely the province will give its share from the calamity fund for those affected but not that much. He expressed hope that the national government will augment the assistance.

Based also on the reports issued by the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council, partial estimated cost of damage to provincial, municipal and barangay roads was pegged at P25 million which excludes damage to national roads.

A few residents were left homeless with 14 houses totally damaged during typhoon Pedring and one in typhoon Quiel. For partially damaged houses, there were 37 in typhoon Pedring and 14 in typhoon Quiel.

Fongwan said P10,000.00 will be given as financial assistance to those whose houses were totally damaged. Normally only P5,000.00 is allotted to such.

As to the threat of succeeding typhoons, Fongwan admitted it is already a normal phenomenon and expected in the rainy season but hopes that typhoon Quiel would already be the last.

He mentioned that one of the signs of the end of wet season and the beginning of dry season is the sighting of flocks of bird called 'kiling' in the dialect with their resounding chirp.

It may be found anywhere, but there was none yet observed so far said Fongwan./JDP/SCA PIA-CAR/Benguet

Fotogs, Police, CDRRMC, Napolcom and City Officials Finally Clear Suspected Criminal Haven

BAGUIO CITY - They worked silently for the "Love of Baguio" causing a big impact..After typhoons "Pedring" and "Quiel" battered the city, members of the Baguio Commercial Photographers Guild, Inc. (BPCGI) embarked anew last October 4 on a clean-up drive and finally clear the suspected hiding place of criminal elements at the back of Lions Club fronting Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center at Burnham Park.

This time they were joined by the Baguio's Finest headed by City Police Director PSSupt. David Lacdan with

more than 30 police personnel, ten volunteers from City Disaster and Risk Reduction Management Council (CDRRMC) headed by OIC Disaster Operations head Julius Santos and foresters from the City Environment, Park Management Office (CEPMO) led by forester Walter Aguirre and the Mayor's Office. The activity dubbed "Pulot Brigade" and involved clearing and massive tree planting activities.

Vice mayor Daniel Farinas, adviser and legal counsel of BCPGI attended the "kick-off" program at the

Compac 2 Police Sub Station at Burnham Park and joined the group during the "Pulot Brigade" which covered Compac 2 to Kisad Road and Governor Pack Road Extension to pick up litters along the road. National Police Commission administrative officer Soledad Benware also joined the undertaking/

"I am proud to be as your legal counsel. You sacrifice yourselves. Even without earning for the past three weeks. You with the support of the police CDRRMC and CEPMO are here today to support your project to prevent crime, clean and

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FORESTERS LECTURE - City forester Walter Aguirre shows how to plant to ensure the survival of a baby pine tree./Bong Cayabyab

CBA-CPLA Faction Expresses Desire to Talk With Govt

BAGUIO CITY (PIA) - All is well that ends well, hopefully.

Cordillera Bodoong Administration (CBA)-Cordillera People's Liberation Army (CPLA) faction led by Andres Ngao-i and Michael Sugguiao has expressed desire to engage government in a negotiation towards the disposition of arms of the group and its transformation as a socio economic force.

The CBA-CPLA Ngao-i-Sugguiao faction, however indicated in a written statement, that the talk will not lead to a closure of the 1986 Mt. Data peace accord and the region's

quest for regional autonomy, but instead there should be a warming-up of the said peace agreement.

The decision of the CBA-CPLA Ngao-i-Sugguiao faction came following a meeting of the group with Office of Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP) Undersecretary Maria Cleofe Gettie Sandoval and Col. Dickson Hermoso of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and presided by Regional Development Council (RDC) co-chair Dr. Virgilio Bautista last September 12, 2011 in the city.

The meeting was also attended

by Leonardo Bunas, one of the original signatories of the Mount Data Peace Accord or "Sipat" in 1986 between the government led by then President Corazon Aquino and CPLA headed by rebel priest Conrado Balweg, for the cessation of hostilities in the region and the recognition of the Cordilleras' aspiration for regional autonomy.

Ngao-i expressed expectation that a separate memorandum of agreement (MOA) with their faction will be forged following the statement of OPAPP Secretary Teresita Deles in an earlier meeting. Sandoval advised

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33 Barangays Fail Segregation Mark; Mayor Clarifies No-Segregation-No-Collection Policy

BAGUIO CITY - The implementation of the no-segregation-no-collection policy in the city that started last Sept. 12 resulted to a marked improvement in the city's waste collection efficiency but 33 barangays in the city remained lackadaisical in waste segregation efforts.

Based on the memorandum of solid

waste management division head Ruben Cervantes, the barangays that failed the segregation mark are barangays Padre Zamora, Sto. Nino Slaughterhouse, Magsaysay Private Road, Holy Ghost Proper, Upper Magsaysay, Lower Magsaysay, Lower General Luna, Holy Ghost-honeymoon,

ABCR, New Lucban, Alfonso Tabora, San Luis Village, Irisan, San Roque Village, Kayang Extension, Camp Allen., Crescencia Village, AZCKO, Campo Filipino, Happy Homes-Old Lucban, East Quirino Hill, Upper Market Subd., Kayang-Hilltop, Loakan Liwanag, Camp 7, Camp 8, Poliwes, San Vicene, BGH, Military Cut-

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Looking Beyond Labels

Abu Sayyaf group members dwindled to 379 in June, from a peak of 1,270 four years back. Armed Forces headcounts shows 46 ASG leaders were run to the ground. All had bounties on their heads.

Marines in Sulu beat back, an attack by "Awliya", a new band. Two soldiers and 13 attackers were killed. Tuan Awliya was among rebels who rejected peace offers in the 1990s. Today's "Awliya" has links to ASG, the military claims.

Murder to mutilation of dead soliders have been pinned on ASG. They held three International Red Cross workers hostage. ABS-CBN paid ransom to spring broadcaster Ces Drilon.

Thus, ASG's image is that of a terrorist group, packed with jobless, poorly-schooled Muslim youth. An assumption

anchors this perception: A hierarchy of authority, with

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defined goals, directs ASG. Does it resemble structured groups, like the Provisional Irish Republican Army?

The reality is more complex, assert Eduardo Ugarte of Global Terrorism Research Centre at Monash University and Mark Macdonald Turner at University of Canberra. ASG is "part of broader and shifting 'dark networks' These webs of kinship, culture and politics enmesh many, including: elected officials, military police to insurgents.

Ugarte and Turner title their analysis "What is the 'Abu Sayyaf'? How Labels Shape Reality "The Pacific Review (London) published their study... Perceptions morph into "reality" and mould policy, they write. "What things are called is incomparably more important than what they are'.

Both assembled scattered data to "construct reality that, until this Pacific Review issue, has not been coherently analyzed". Tumahubong, Sipadan and Palawan kidnappings, by ASG, are used as case studies.

The notion that ASG "is a distinct group is an illusion", they conclude. "Classificatory labels, employed by the military and media, are meaningless:... Islamists in southern Philippines, are not concentrated in a discrete collectivity."

Instead, they straddle MILF, MNLF and communal alliances. They've evolved into random networks. Power and leadership are haphazardly distributed. No actor or group makes binding decisions for others.

ASG "is not a organized phalanx of mujahideen.", noted Julkipli Wadi, a leading scholar political Islam scholar. Rather, this jama'a [grouping], is a loose, almost chaotic grouping of disenchanting Muslim youth..."

An Inquirer count, in late 2000, identified a welter of 11 'commanders: "six in Sulu, four in Basilan and one in Zamboanga They control followers even when they tie up with other bands.

ASG's demands "can change from moment to moment," Inquirer's Noralyn Mustafa, commented on the March 2009 kidnapping of Red Cross workers. "After one commander agreed to terms, the following day he'll say:after 'consulting' his co-commanders, they refused to comply. And negotiations begin anew — from zero."

'Interpersonal linkages' command 'overriding importance'. 'Groups survive because their leader crafts a network of relatives and clients "Blood ties are very strong in Sulu, notes researcher Victor Taylor" People don't think in terms of organizational labels, whether Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) or "Abu Sayyaf". Halo-halo nayan ("They're all mixed together")

In 2000 kidnappings, assorted ASG groups presented different demands. These ranged from meeting movie actor and Muslim convert Robin Padilla, tearing down of Christian crosses, implementation of fishing laws — and, of course, money. These shifted as each commander advanced his own set of claims.

ASG "does not know what it wants,," observed Glenda Gloria, Newsbreak editor and co-author of "Under The Crescent Moon." "It does not know where it wants to go, or how to articulate problems of Muslims in Mindanao beyond what [has] a been articulated by other groups... It is wrong for government to assume that it is dealing with a cohesive organization with a set of doctrines, rules or solid leadership."

ASG groups frequently squabbled over money,"coveting each other's captives", recalls negotiator Roberto. Aventajado. "The jungle did not have a single master. No one could guarantee anyone's safety because no one's writ ran unopposed across the wilds of Talipao...Not even

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THE PEACE COMBATANT

Transparency in Baguio's waste management is needed

BY: ARTURO BOQUIREN



It must have been at least two years now that several write-ups of columnists have been devoted to Baguio City's garbage. Do writers love it? No. On the contrary, writers despise garbage talk. Do we enjoy talking about it? No. How can one enjoy talking about something that evokes memories of unpleasant sights and smells?

Unfortunately, the city government has been pushing writers to the brink. Garbage has been the topic of the city's papers for several years now but we do not like the topic. Until today, garbage in many of the city's barangays continues to be uncollected. The "new" reason given this time: the households and the barangays have not segregated their garbage between organic and non-organic.

True, waste segregation is important. It must be done. It must be the practice of the 21st century. It must be the lifestyle of this century. It must be the way of life. There is no other way of living correctly but to segregate garbage. We must promote recycling and so on and so forth. However, for waste segregation to be an excuse for not collecting garbage is a different matter. In economic parlance, waste segregation is a public good. People stand to benefit if they free ride. If people do not segregate garbage, they can lose but their losses will be equally shared by society. Thus, there is a strong incentive to free ride. The solution therefore is not to rely on the voluntarism alone but for government to act. To emphasize, these are not arguments not to promote waste segregation. All these are simply arguments on why government should be doing their role in the first place: COLLECT AND MANAGE THE WASTE OF THE CITY.

I tried reflecting on why we have this garbage problem in the first place. It appears clear to me that the fundamental reason on why we have the problem in the first place is that our city has not been transparent on how the garbage problem is being managed. We did not have adequate public consultations on how the garbage problem would be managed if ever we had one at all. On my part, I cannot recall even a single one. To emphasize, what we need is not only one public consultation but several public consultations.

I do not recall our city government requesting opinion from the NGOs and the public on how our city's garbage can be solved. I do not recall our city announcing a public bidding for a waste management system. Perhaps, but only perhaps, it had announced one but the announcement may not have been publicized well if truly there was one. I do not recall our city enlisting the participation of our environment-oriented nongovernment organizations in developing and forwarding recommendations on how the garbage problem can be solved.

Because of this lack of transparency, it is not farfetched to suspect that somehow graft and corruption had been involved in the waste management facility that was recently crafted for the city. Unfortunately, it is also on this lack of

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Worth the trip

(First of 3 parts)

President Aquino has been getting a lot of negative criticisms lately stemming from his travels abroad that allegedly cost millions of pesos from the Filipino people every time he departs.

His recent jaunt to the US of A and Japan allegedly netted the country some P1.4B in potential investments that can provide Filipinos millions of jobs.

Thusly, in some measure President Noy's trips abroad could not be construed as a waste of people's money because these are realizable multi-million dollar investments by multinational corporations here in our country.

Following his trip to the US, President Aquino and his retinue proceeded to Japan where he was warmly met by the Filipino community.

Verbatim, here's President Aquino's speech before a huge Filipino crowd in Japan last Sept. 25, 2011.

"Magandang hapon po. Maupo po tayong lahat.

Secretary Albert del Rosario; Ambassador Manolo Lopez; Ambassador Toshinao Urabe; Secretaries Mar Roxas, Gregory Domingo, Sonny Coloma; Ms. Joyce Villanueva-Ogawa, Chairperson of the Philippine Assistance Group in Tokyo; other members of the Philippine delegation; fellow workers in government; honored guests; mga minamahal ko pong kababayan:

Magandang hapon po sa inyong lahat!

Nakakainggit ho kayo ang taas ng energy level n'yo. [Laughter]

Kakagaling lang po natin sa Estados Unidos kung saan naging mainit ang pagtanggap sa atin ng ating mga kababayan doon, dahil na rin po sa magandang bunga ng mga repormang isinusulong natin sa atin pong Inang Bayan. Para na rin po mas makatipid, ginagawa na nating parang biyaheng Quiapo ang lakad natin [laughter]—dirediretso po: Manila to San Francisco, San Francisco to New York, New York to Washington, Washington pabalik ng Maynila, all in five days inclusive of travel time [applause]. Pinaliwanag ko na lang po sa mga kasama natin—'di ko sinabi sa kanilang nagtitipid tayo—sinabi ko, "Alam ninyo, mamadaliin na natin lahat 'to para hindi na natin maranasan iyong jetlag. Bago tayo magpanibagong oras ay nakabalik na tayo sa Pilipinas." [laughter] So kami po'y pinabalik, binigyan kami ng isa't kalahating araw magpahinga, at maswerte po tayo sa araw na ito dahil kahalubilo ko kayo bilang unang nating lakad dito po sa bansa ng Japan. [Applause]

Bago po tayo tumalak ngayon dito sa Japan para makiramay sa mga nangyaring sakuna, at makipagdiyalogo na rin po sa mga pinuno ng Hapones, napakasuwerte nga po talaga at kayo ang una kong hinaharap sa pagdayo ko dito. Pakiramdam tuloy natin ay parang bateryang cellphone bagong karga sa kuryente, at handa na namang umarangkada para maihatid sa kaunlaran ang atin pong inang bansa. Lahat naman po talaga nito ay para sa inyong lahat.

At dahil sa sinisimulan natin ang pagdalaw dito sa Japan sa ganitong pagsasalu-salo—sa piling ng ating kapwa Pilipino dito sa Tokyo—tiyak na naman pong, katulad ng mabunga din nating biyahe sa Estados Unidos, magiging matagumpay din ang pagbisitang ito.

Bakit nga ba tayo nandito sa Japan? Pangunahing layunin po natin dito ay ang higit na pagpapatibay sa kooperasyon at pagkakaibigan ng Pilipinas at ng Japan. Kaya naman makikipagpulong tayo sa kagalang-galang na Punong Ministro Yoshihiko Noda upang talakayin ang mga paksa ng lalong magpapagting sa ating samahan, at siguradong magtutalak sa pag-unlad ng atin pong mga bansa. Kaugnay nito, inimitahan din tayo ng Kanyang Kamahalan, ang Emperador ng Japan, para sa isang diyalogo. Nakakataba nga po talaga ng puso: kung dati, iniisnab-ismab lang ang bansa natin kapag may mga bagong pinuno ang mga karatig-bansa, ngayon po, palagi na tayong isa sa mga unang inaanyayahan. [Applause] Bakit po? Dahil batid ng buong mundo ang resulta ng tuwid na daan. Ibang-iba na nga po talaga ang lagay ng Pilipinas: bumabangon na po tayo mula sa imahen ng kawalang-direksyon, at naibabalik na natin ang ating pambansang dangal.

Nakapila din po sa schedule natin ang ilang pagpupulong kasama ang mga negosyanteng Hapon. Hindi lang po mga kawani ng gobyerno, pero miski mga pribadong sektor ng mga bansang binisita natin, nagpakita ng

KAKAMPI MO ANG BATAS

More OFWs deployed, more dollar earnings came for RP

BY: BATAS MAURICIO



LIFE'S INSPIRATIONS: "Righteousness exalts a nation, and sin is a disgrace to any people..." (Proverbs 14:34, the Holy Bible).

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PNOY'S GOOD IMAGE HELPING OFWs A LOT: The good image and positive perception being enjoyed by President Aquino among the members of the international community are the principal reasons why the deployment of overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) abroad continue to be brisk despite the on-going worldwide economic turmoil.

Administrator Carlos Cao, Jr. of the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) made this assessment last Thursday, 06 October 2011, in an informal round-table-discussion with members of the Batch '78 of the Sigma Rho Fraternity of the University of the Philippines, College of Law. Cao is a member of Batch '78.

"It is mainly because of the international community's trust on President Aquino and his government that OFW's continue to be warmly accepted by employers in many countries around the world," Cao explained.

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MORE OFWs DEPLOYED, MORE DOLLAR REMITTANCES CAME IN: Responding to queries by Batch '78 Sigma Rhos, Cao disclosed that latest POEA records show that despite the worldwide economic crunch the number of OFWs deployed between January 2011 to September 2011, instead of going down as expected, even surpassed the number of OFWs deployed during the same period for 2010.

Cao also said that the same POEA records, also for January 2011 to September 2011, even registered a similar increase in dollar remittances from the OFW sector and that the same positive trend is expected by the POEA to continue until the end of 2011.

For the period from January 2011 to September 2011, a period where Saudi Arabia and Libya are having problems employing OFWs, deployment of Filipinos topped the 900,000 figure for January 2010 to September 2011, while dollar remittances for this year for the same period topped the P11 billion remitted last year.

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GOD'S GRACE IS UPON THE FILIPINO PEOPLE: Cao said these positive developments in the deployment of OFWs, and in dollar remittances from Filipino workers abroad, is nearly miraculous, and considered by many in the POEA as God's grace.

"It appears that God's blessings and protection continue to be showered not only on OFWs, but even on the Filipino nation as well, and this could only be because of the sincerity of President Aquino in pursuing a righteous path of governance," Cao added.

Quoting the Bible which he preaches as a Pastor, Cao said "righteousness exalts a nation but sin is a disgrace to any people." Filipinos can surely expect more positive developments under the Aquino administration, he said.

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pagkasabik sa pagbabagong nangyayari sa atin pong bansa. Japan po ang nangunguna nating katuwang sa kalakal, at sasamantalahan po natin ang magandang pagkakataong ito upang buksan ang pinto para sa mas pinatibay na kalakal at komersyo.

Malinaw po: tumatawid po ng dagat ang tiwalang ipinamalas ng ating mga kababayan sa bago pong administrasyon. Sa puno't dulo nito, nananatili pa rin pong iisa ang ating batayang diwa sa mga pagbisitang tulad nito: ang makagawa ng mas maraming trabaho para sa mga Pilipino.

Minabuti rin po nating tawirin ang lawak ng karagatan upang personal na maipaabot ang ating pakikiramay at pagdadalamhati sa trahedyang dulot ng tsunami at lindol dito sa Japan. Sa katunayan, sa pagbisita natin sa Ishinomaki City bukas,

to continued

PRANGKAHAN TAYO

**NAMATAY SA SARAP O NAMATAY
SA BASURA !!!
SAMPAHAN NA NG KINAUKULAN
KRIMINAL NA KASO !!!
BY : ORWEN TRAZO**



(This is a Re-Print of last issues Column)

Anim na tao namatay, may mga bata pa, sa nakalipas na trashlide . Naiisip kaya ng mga magagaling na mga polpolitiko kung gaano ka sama, ka hirap at ka pangit ang mamatay dala ng paglunod sa basura ? Ano kaya kung ang mga taga Tuba ay pumunta sa opisina ng mga kinaukulan opisyaes at mag dala sila ng sako-sako na basurahan at itambak sa mga tanggapan ng mga kinaukulan magagaling na polpolitiko ? Kuro kuro lang naan n gating malikot na sipan, ngunit agenda rin isipin at obserbahan kung ano ang magiging reaksyon ng mga magagaling na opisyaes. Siguro yun isang opisyal jan na mahilig mag good time sa isang resort casino ay masisira ang kanyang porma, ang kayang poise kapag natapunan ng basura ang kanyang magandang mga suot. Hi ! Hi ! Hi !

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Ano kaya ang inaatay nintong isang Mr. Atorni na dating isang opisyal ng gobyerno na nung tumakbo itong nakaraan dalawang eleksyon ay talunan, samakatwid siya ay isang Atornilo as in atorni atalo ? Ayon kay Mr. Atorni nung kainitan ng isyu, nung kamamatay pa lang ng mga na trashlide ay sasampahan niya ng homicide etc .. ang mga kinaukulan opisyaes? Asan na kaya yun demanda na isasampa ni Mr. Atorni, o baka naman puros lang kiao-kiao itong si Mr. Atorni katulad rin ng mga opisyaes ng Tuba. O baka naman umurong yun yagbols ni Mr. Atorni o di kaya ay busy si Mr. Atorni sa tupada. Hi ! Hi ! Hi ! Ano kaya ang posibleng kadahilanan ? Alam ninyo mga dear readers na tanga este taga Baguio, sa aking panananaw kapag walang na demanda at nakulong hingil sa insidenteng ito ay hindi magtatanda ang mga kinaukulan opisyaes na ito at hindi malayong mangyari uli ang ganitong sitwasyon o ang isang sitwasyon na kahambing nito na maarri naman talagang maiwasan kung hindi dahil sa pagka gahaman at pera –pera lang ng mga ilan opsyales. Kaya nga natutuwa ako sa sinabi ni Mr. Jogin Tamayo sa kanyang Facebook page **THERE IS BLOOD IN THE HANDS OF THE CONCERNED OFFICIALS.** Ang kanyang komentong ito ay tutuung-tutuo. Ngunti sa asking palagay ay walang magagawa para matauhan ang ilan mga kinaukulan opisyaes sapagkat sobra sobra na ang kakapal ng mga mukha ng mga iba sa kanila. **IKAW MS. COUNCILOR, o ikaw MR. COUNCILOR, o ikaw MR. MAYOR - GANUON NA BA KAKAPAL AT KAMANHID ANG INYONG MGA MUKHA AT BUDHI ???**

Coffee Wine Gaining Acceptance

ITOGON, Benguet- From brewed coffee comes coffee wine which is anticipated to be as one of the most wanted products coming from the municipality.

Mayor Oscar Camantiles said the coffee wine is the latest product that the municipality is introducing and developing. The coffee wine is now being sold in the markets in town and initial reactions indicate that this is well-liked by coffee lovers.

This is an initiative of the women association of the town and supported by Camantiles who provided financial assistance for the project.

Coffee is widely grown in the municipality and our farmers will have additional livelihood with the recently discovered product, he said.

'Next to rice wine came the popular strawberry wine which rivals popular brands of red wine. Now we have wine coffee which is aromatic, a wine which taste just like a brewed coffee, smooth and with a taste of elegance,' Camantiles added.

The province of Benguet produces mainly Arabica which is the main coffee crop although there are Liberica and Robusta.

The Department of Agriculture (DA) Cordillera is promoting coffee propagation and production as a major industry in the region. propagation./JDP/PIA PIA CAR

Balili River Wanting for Clean and Safe Waters

LA TRINIDAD, Benguet — The Balili River then categorized as Class A is wanting for clean and safe flowing water free of thrash and liquid wastes.

The Balili River with the Sagudin River in Baguio City as its headwater was categorized as Class A but technically failed to meet the water quality standards set, according to the Environment and Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (EMB-DENR).

Findings of the EMB-DENR-CAR showed that pollution along the river system is two-pronged, solid and liquid wastes. The most common are household wastes seen a floating.

This is coupled with the domestic sewage of some households leading to the river. The untreated effluents from business establish-

ments such as used oil from motor and machine shops as well as car washing activities are also contributory factors ,EMB Regional Technical Director Paquito Moreno said.

The problem along the Balili river is compounded by the structures constructed along the embankments encroaching the river system. The identified encroached areas along the river banks in this town and Baguio City are for further validation.

Moreover, the worsening condition of the Balili river is attributed to the social behavior or attitude of people based on studies of the University of the Philippines, according to UP Dean Raymundo Rovillos.

To help in rehabilitating the river system, Moreno advocated for influencing the behavior of people – the affected residents and

community - in their day-to-day lives and reminding them of their responsibilities in not dumping of wastes along the river system. The urgency in nurturing and vigilance in protecting the river system rests more upon those directly affected.

He also stressed that strict implementation of the Solid Waste Management Act or Republic Act 9003 will also help in declogging the river.

Compliance to and issuance of building permits is also crucial, he added.

There were past initiatives in the past to save the river. Now, convergence and harmonization of all the efforts is being spearheaded by the Balili River System Revitalization Coalition. This is composed of stakeholders from multi sectors in Baguio City and la Trinidad./JDP/SCA- PIA CAR,Benguet

BCEPZ creates more jobs

BAGUIO CITY - Companies are expanding their operations in the Baguio City Export Processing Zone (BCEPZ) creating more jobs, increasing revenues and taxes.

BCEPZ Man-

ager for Operations Engr. Mody L. Agyao Jr. said that the latest to venture is the Convergys, a company engaged in relationship management, customer management solutions and billing solu-

tions located at the Hillsford Properties along Camp John Hay (CJH).

The Ayala-owned Hillsford Properties house call center companies, retail shops, fastfoods and condominium units. It is conceptualized

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NOTICE TO BENECO MEMBER-CONSUMERS, BAGUIO CITY

Relative to the forthcoming District Elections scheduled on October 22-11 for Baguio City Districts for member-consumers to elect their representative to the BENECO Board, the polling centers, precincts and participating Barangays are as follows:

PULLING CENTERS	Position	PARTICIPATING BARNS/AGENTS/SITES
DISTRICT 1 – Bagnio City		
1. Queens Elementary School	1,2 & 3	Manovilla, Calicut Hill-Teacher's Camp DBS, Engineer's Hill, Green Water Village, Military On-off, Satal Hill, South Chino
2. Delta James B. Hunter Elementary School, Camp 1	4	Barangay Camp 8 and Sta. Mercedes
3. Laurel Elementary School	5& 6	Scout Rambo, Villalita, Calicut's Mining, Lower Bagnio, Upper Bagnio
4. Rizal Elementary School	2&5	Luchetti, Pucold, St. Joseph Village
5. Orlina Elementary School	9	Gilguitan, Minor View, Pansot
6. Gaudreau Elementary School	10	Loreak, Solikid Chino
7. Loukan-Isagun-Prop. Hall	11	Agayon-Loukan, Ash Trail
8. Bagnio-Country Club Bagg Hall	12	Country Club Village, Bagg Hollow

DISTRICT II – Baguio City		
1. Baguio City National HI-School Main	1	BGH Compound & Phil-Am
2. Manuel Roxas High School	2	Imelda Marcos, Bakakeng Central, Justice Village, Pucay Village
3. Bakakeng Norte Elementary School	3	Bakakeng Norte, SLU-SVP Housing
4. Balsegan Brgr. Hall	4	Balsegan
5. San Vicente Elem. School	5,6,7	San Vicente, Poliwes
6. Camp 7 Elementary School	8	Camp 7 Banangay
7. Sto. Tomas Elementary School	9	Sto. Tomas School Area
8. Dontogan Elementary	10	Dontogan
9. Atab Health Center	11	Sto. Tomas Proper
10. Loakan Elementary School	12	Loakan-Liwang, Loakan Proper
11. Kias Elementary School	13	Fort del Pilar, Kias

DISTRICT III-Baguiu City	
1. Roxas Elem. School Annex	1. Sto. Rosario Village, Ferdinand Brgy
2. Aguinaldo Elem School	2. Lower and upper QM
3. Upper Rock Quarry Day Care Center	3. Upper Rock Quarry, Middle Rock Quarry
4. City Camp Day Care Center	4. City Camp Proper, City Camp Central and Burnham Legarda
5. Pine City Nat'l. High School	5&6. Kayang Extension, Palma Urbano, Lourdes Extension, Lower Lourdes Subdivision Lourdes Proper, MRR Queen of Peace
6. Dominican-Mirador Elem. School	7. Dominican-Mirador
7. San Luis Village Brgy. Hall	8. San Luis San Roque
8. Baguiu Central School	9. AZCKO Barangay, Rizal Monument
9. Lower Rock Quarry Brgy. Hall	10. Lower Rock Quarry Barangay

DISTRICT IV – Baguio City		
1. Bonifacio Elementary School	1 & 2	Andres Bonifacio (Lower Bokawkan), Cresencia Village, Guisad Surong, Guisad Central, Fairview Village
2. Josefa Cariño Elementary School	3 & 4	Camp Allen, Campo Filipino
3. Quezon Hill Elementary School	5 & 6	Middle Quezon Hill, Quezon Hill Proper, Upper Quezon Hill, Victoria Village
4. Pinsao Elementary School	7	Pinsao Pilot Project
5. Pinsao Proper Brgy Hall	8	Pinsao Proper
6. Pinget Elementary School	9	Pinget Barangay

DISTRICT V – Baguio City	
1. Lucban Elementary School	1,2,3 Dizon Subdivision, A. Tabora, Happy Homes- Lucban, Camdas, Lower Quirino Hill
2. Magsaysay Eeementary School	4&5 Upper and Lower Magsaysay, T. Alonzo, Sto. Nino, Slaughter Cmpd., New Lucban, ABCR, Kagitingan, Magsaysay Private Rd.,
3. Baguio Central School	6 P. Burgos, P. Zamora, Bagong Lipunan(Makt Area) Kayang Hilltop, Upper Market Subdivision
4. Quirino Hill Elementary School	7,8,9 East Quirino Hill, , Middle Quirino Hill and West Quirino Hill

DISTRICT 10- Rapid City		
1. North-Southwest Camp Rgn. I&II	1	North-Southwest Camp
2. South-Southwest Camp Rgn. I&II	2	South-Southwest Camp
3. East-Midwest Elementary School	3	Beardslee Elementary
4. Teaching Strategies I&II	4	Teaching
5. South Village Camp I&II	5	South Village and M. Roman Rgn.
6. San Antonio Elementary School	6,7,8	Upper Acacia, Midway Rd., Florence, West Midwestern, East Midwestern, North-central Acacia I&II, South Central Acacia Hill, East and West Roman Rgn., Dakota Point Strategies, Dakota Peak Village, Laramie Hill
7. San Antonio Rgn.-Hill	9	San Antonio
8. Holy Ghost Formation Rgn. I&II	10	Holy Ghost Formation Rgn.
9. Holyghost-Holy Ghost Rgn.-Hill	11	Holyghost-Holy Ghost Rgn.-Holy Ghost Chapel
10. Holy-Sun-Square Rgn.	12	Sanctus Road, Midway-Square, Sanctus-Crossroads, Lower-Sanctus-Lake, Upper-Sanctus-Lake, and Cedar-Ridge
11. One-Peace School	13	Transcendence Strategy

40 PULLING PLACES	40	

COOPERATIVE BANK OF BENGUET, Herein represented by its General Manager GERRY T. OYAN, Mortgagee

versus

NANCY T. OKKO and ALMAT. OKKO, Mortgagors,

FORECLOSURE CASE No. 11-EXF 1527

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE SALE

A T T Y . AMADEO B. DEGAY, a Notary Public for the Province of Benguet, will sell to the highest bidder and for CASH at public auction on October 20, 2011 at the lobby of the Provincial Capitol, La Trinidad, Benguet, at 9:00 A.M. or soon thereafter, the real property located at Barangay Tackian, La Trinidad, Benguet, which has an area of Two Hundred (200)

square meters and more particularly described in Transfer Certificate of Title No. T-67587 including all improvements erected thereon, belonging to Nancy T. Okko, widow, Filipino, and with residence at IC-139 Betag, La Trinidad, Benguet, to satisfy the mortgage debt which as of September 19, 2011 amounts to SIXTY THOUSAND PESOS (P60,000.00), excluding past due interests, past due penalty, filing fees, publication, attorney's fees equivalent to 10% of the collectible amount and all legal fees and expenses incidental to the foreclosure sale. The said real property is more particularly described as follows, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. T-67587

"A parcel of land (Lot-2, Psd-CAR-000761) being a portion of consolidation Lot-1-A-8-A, 1-A-8-B, 1-A-8-C & 1-A-8-D, Psd-131110-005524 situated at rurban code 131110, Brgy. Tackian, Prov. of Benguet, Mun. of La Trinidad, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the NE., along line 1-2 by Lot-1 of

the consolidation subd. plan, on the SE., along line 2-3 by Lot-1-A-6, Psd-CAR-001401., on the SE., along line 3-4 by lot-1-A-7, Psd-CAR-001401., on the SW., along line 4-5 by Lot-3 of the consolidation subd. plan., on the NW., along line 5-1 by Lot-9 (Road Lot) of the consolidation subd. plan. Beginning at a point marked "1" x x x to point 1; Containing an area of TWO HUNDRED (200) SQUARE METERS, more or less."

Interested parties are enjoined to investigate the properties and their other encumbrances, if any.

AMADEO B. DEGAY NOTARY PUBLIC

PTR No. 2502296; 01-03-11; La Trinidad, Benguet

IBP No. 840868; 1-3-11; Baguio City

Roll No. 42332; 5-6-97 MCLE Compliance No. III-0000090 T.L.N. 168-181-168

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Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL REGION
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT
La Trinidad, Benguet

COOPERATIVE BANK OF MT. PROVINCE
Petitioner- Mortgagee,

-versus-

S P O U S E S MARION M. SOLANG and E N N Y L Y N FRANCHETTE D. SOLANG, Represented by John P. Solang, Respondent- Mortgagors,

FORECLOSURE CASE NO. 11-Exf-1515

EXTRA JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGE UNDER ACT 3135 AS AMENDED

X———X

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE

Upon petition for foreclosure of real estate mortgage under act 3135 as amended filed by the Cooperative Bank of Mountain Province, with business address at Poblacion, Bontoc, Mountain Province, herein represented by its Manager Atty. Olive Ruth Sanguitan, herein referred to as the mortgagee against Spouses Marion M. Solang and Ennylyn Franchette D. Solang, with residence and postal address at 37 Interior Street, Baguio City, Philippines, as represented by their Attorney-In-Fact John P. Solang arrived to Magdalena Maslian pursuant to a Special Power of Attorney executed in their favor. In a real estate mortgage duly entered on December 14, 2009. That by the terms and conditions of the Real Estate Mortgage Contract and Promissory Note, the principal obligation of the Mortgagor became due on June 16, 2010 and as of July 12, 2011 has an overdue account amounting to ONE MILLION PESOS [P 1,000,000.00]. Exclusive of penalties, past due interest, attorney's fees, other charges and expenses of foreclosure. That the undersigned announces that he will sell at Public Auction on **OCTOBER 18, 2011** at 10:00 o'clock in the morning or soon thereafter in front of the Bulwagan ng Katarungan, Justice Hill, La Trinidad, Benguet to the highest bidder for cash and in Philippine Currency the parcel

including all existing improvements thereon to wit :

ASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY NO. 99-006-02310

A parcel of land, vegetable land located at Englandad, Paoay, Atok Benguet, Philippines. Bounded on the North : Lot 001 & Sec. 19, East Lots 001 & 017, South : Lot 017 and West : Lots 017 & Sec 19. Containing a total area of EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY NINE [8,239] SQUARE METERS with assessed value of Eleven Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Pesos [P 11,760]. Owned by Solang, Spouses Mario M and Ennylyn Franchette D of No. 52 Upper Brookside Baguio City.

Prospective buyers/bidders are hereby enjoined to investigate for themselves the real property herein-above described and the encumbrances thereon if any there be.

In the event the public auction should not take place on the said date, it shall be held on November 18, 2011 at the same time and place without republication and further notice.

La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines, September 19, 2011.

FOR THE PROVINCIAL SHERIFF EX-OFFICIO OF BENGUET

By : (SGD) JOSELITO S. TUMBAGA Sheriff IV

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- Public Service Message from Linis Gobyerno www.linisgobyerno.org

Charcoal Briquette Training Expanded to Other Benguet Towns

LA TRINIDAD -The successful training on the production of charcoal briquette in the town of Itogon inspired a private company to extend its assistance to other municipalities of the province.

The training and production of charcoal briquettes is part of the Corporate Social Responsibility of Mc Connell Dowell Philippines, Inc. at barangays Ambuklao and Tinongdan, Itogon, as host communities of the rehabilitated Ambuklao and Binga Power Plants.

Mc Connell Dowell Community Relations Officer Rose White said the company's management saw the success and acceptability of the alternative livelihood project in the community the reason they considered the expansion to the other towns of the province.

A training will be held at the Crop Techno Station of the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist in Puguais, here on October 24 - 27, 2011. After the training, the complete set of equipment necessary to manufacture briquettes for each municipality including one unit for the province will be turned-over to keep them started with the livelihood project.

The materials used for the charcoal briquette are agro-forest wastes such as leaves, twigs, branches which have fallen from the trees according to White.

The use of charcoal briquette is becoming popular as it provides clean burning fuel compared to the traditional charcoal. It is compressed and is denser, burns for longer period and has less moisture compared to the ordinary charcoal.

White said there is market demand particularly for big companies but for now, the aim is to offset the demand for the household consumption of liquid petroleum gas.

Initial products in Itogon are sold locally. White said the briquettes are sold at an affordable price and will definitely be lower than those commercially sold in the market.

To be able to produce charcoal briquette, agro-forest wastes are gathered and placed on a drum. They are burned for a certain period. The smoke emission is minimal as it is filtered by water on top of the drum, said White.

The dried wastes are compressed and formed utilizing a machine. Starch is used as binder to hold the materials together.

The liquid by-product can be used as cleaning material for canals and drainages. If fermented, it can also be used as organic pesticide. The concept is similar to the Mokusaku or organic material for fertilizer and pesticide developed by the Japanese, according to White./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR,Benguet

Japan Assisted Organic Farming Project for Benguet Extended

LA TRINIDAD- The Safe Vegetable Promotion Project in the province will extend for two more years to further save the vegetable industry from dwindling.

Funded under the Japan International Cooperation Agency and implemented by Japan Agricultural Exchange Council (JAEC) in 2007 in this town as pilot area, the project, which adapts an organic farming technology, extends from 2012 - 2014 and will now include the marketing component for the trading of vegetables.

Governor Nestor Fongwan led a delegation from the province to Japan

last month to iron out the extension and expansion of the said project. They also visited Naganu Prefecture where composting is the way of life of the farmers.

A part from the eight town beneficiaries for the period January 10, 2010 - March 12, 2012 namely Buguias, Manayon, Kabayan, Kibungan, Tuba, Atok, La Trinidad and Tublay, the extended project will include Bokod, Itogon, Sablan and Bakun.

The project coined as Safe Vegetable from Rich Soil (SAVERS), which makes use of organic matter to enrich soil, is needed to save the vegetable industry

as farmlands are already highly acidic, stressed Fongwan.

The project involves the production of Mokusaku or wine vinegar, according to Provincial Agriculturist Lolita Bentes. This is a liquid substance produced from a composting mixture of agro-eco wastes such as wood, plants and ecological wastes.

Fongwan said they plan to include vegetable trimmings to the organic wastes and dovetail the project with the implementation of Republic Act 9003 or the Solid Waste Ecological Management Act.

The substance can be extracted immediately for

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Baguio City

RURAL BANK
OF ITOGON
(BENGUET),
INC.,

Mortgagee,

- versus -

DOMINGA M.
KESAED, mar-
ried to
ROMEO L.
KESAED,

Mortgagors,

RHODA KATE
MANAYON
KESAED
ANONGOS,
Married to
SUTHERLAND
A. ANONGOS,
FARRAH LYN
MANAYON
KESAED,
KIMBERLY
MANAYON
KESAED,
CHOMAD
WAGNANE
MANAYON
KESAED,
New Owners,

FORECLOSURE
CASE NO. 11-
286-S
EXTRA-JUDI-
CIAL FORE-
CLOSURE
OF REAL
ESTATE MORT-
GAGE
UNDER ACT
3135, AS
AMENDED

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SHERIFF'S
NOTICE OF
AUCTION
SALE

Upon petition
for sale under
Act 3135, as
emended, filed
by the RURAL
BANK OF -
ITOGON
(BENGUET),
hereinafter re-
ferred to as the
MORTGAGEE,
for the

satisfaction

of mortgage in-
debtedness of
DOMINGA M.
KESAED, mar-
ried to ROMEO
L. KESAED, here-
inafter referred
to as the MORT-
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RHODA KATE
MANAYON
KESAED
ANONGOS,
married to
Sutherland A.
ANONGOS,
FARRAH LYN
MANAYON
KESAED,
MARYKNOLL
MANAYON
KESAED, KIM-
BERLY
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KESAED as new
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or thru the un-
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will sell at pub-
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November 4,
2011, at 10:00 o'
clock in the
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City, the follow-
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to wit:

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Msi-CAR, 1365,
City of Baguio

"Beginning at a
point
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Msi-CAR-1365,
located at
Residence
Section "K",
Quezon Hill,
Baguio City,
being N., .70
deg. 26'W.,
1,015.68 m. from

BL. No. 22,
Baguio Townsite
thence:

S. 62. deg. 32'
SW., 4.81 m.
to point 2;
S. 34 deg. 36'W.,
1.57 m. to point
3;
S. 72 deg. 58'W.,
16.93 m. to point
4;
N. 13 deg. 42'W.,
11.45 m. to point
5;
N. 58 deg.
11'E., 19.28 m.
to point 6;
S. 30 deg. 57' E.,
14.94 m. to point
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Tersema Valle; on
the S., along line
3-4 by public land
claimed by Peter
Gawi, on the W.,
along line 4-5 by
existing concrete
road (6.50 m.
wide); on the
NW., along line 5-
6 by alley (3.00m
wide); and on the
NE, along 6-1 by
Estrelita Lozano
(Tsi-CAR-1238).

Prospective
bidders may in-
vestigate the title
and improve-
ments of the prop-
erty with regards
to encumbrances,
if any there be.

Baguio City,
Philippines, this
30th day of Sep-
tember, 2011

By: (SGD) REMEDIOS
BALDERAS-
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Clerk of Court
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Sheriff

By: (SGD) ROMEO
R. FLORENDO
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Tourism Law Requires Tourism Enterprises to Accredited....page 1

with the DOT are hotels, travel agencies, tour operators, tour guides, event coordinators and provider for conventions.

The law also gives a boost to the country's tourism industry, strengthening DOT and its attached agencies to effectively and efficiently implement tourism policies.

The local government units are also mandated to provide a full time and permanent tourism officer and the DOT will provide training and other need so that they be better equip in handling tourism programs, Molintas explained.

We are looking forward that the tourism act will gear the DOT with the necessary tools it needs to turn the country into a world-class tourists destination, Molintas added.

Under the new law, the Philippine Convention and Visitors Bureau Corporation is now the Tourism Promotions Board (TPB), the Philippine Tourism Authority is called Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (Tieza) and the Duty Free Philippines is now Duty Free Philippines Corp (DFPC)./JDP/JBZ PIA CAR

Japan

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composting purposes and as fertilizer. But for pesticide purposes, it needs to be fermented for about six to eight months. The fermented substance could be more effective as pesticides if concocted with botanicals or organic-based materials, said Bentes.

Vegetable production increases if soil is enriched through the application of the substance, Bentes explained. It also cuts production costs of farm inputs such as pesticides and inorganic fertilizers.

According to Bentes, the reason soil quality of farms in the province is deteriorating is because of the overuse of soil due to mono cropping or planting of crops all year round. Soil nutrients tend to be depleted and there is immunity of pests and diseases.

But according to the Japanese experts, the adverse effect of inappropriate practices of farming to soil can still be countered utilizing the said technology, Bentes related./JDP/SCA-PIA CAR,Benguet

Stiffer Penalties

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Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS), is a big concern for the country as it could result to the delay and even hamper the timely delivery of appropriate and needed information that is essential to save lives and prevent damage to properties during times of disasters or other related emergencies.

People do not understand or realize that when they take out even just a part of such devices, they are endangering the lives as well as the properties on many Filipinos because the delivery of timely and appropriate information on disaster threats such as typhoon, earthquake and flooding, among others is hampered, Palmones stressed.

He cited the latest incidents of such offenses involving the flood control monitoring unit of Agno River Basin in Pangasinan and the PAGASA monitoring equipment for Mayon Volcano.

"So today as mandated by LEDAC,

and assigned by President Aquino as a priority measure, the bill is set for this week to pass the House of Representatives' Committee on Revision of laws and we are hoping that before the October recess of Congress, we would be able to pass it on second and third reading", Palmones said.

"With Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile commitment to adopt the Lower House version when it is transmitted to the Senate then most probably we will have a law that would provide stiffer penalties for tampering or theft of risk reduction and preparedness equipment before the next typhoon season," Palmones added./JDP/LD-PIA CAR

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tion and Commission on Higher Education and all government employees are individually required to plant a minimum of ten seedlings a year.

Private sector and civil society groups are likewise encouraged to participate in the NGP with the assistance from the government, Baguilat added.

"The wet season greatly help the tree seedlings to grow. Tree seedlings need a lot of water in order for them to grow healthy", Baguilat explained.

NGP was created under Executive Order No. 26 of President Benigno S. Aquino to pursue sustainable development for poverty reduction, food security, biodiversity conservation and climate change mitigation and adaption. /JDP/JBZ PIA CAR

Doctors

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to do with their 20 regular staff of medical technologists, midwives, nurses and clerks, in providing health care services and assistance to the 170 to 200 (average) patients that go to their clinic a day.

BGHMC Pediatrics Department Head, Dr. Eleanor Cuarte, also attested that their trainee nurses have been their partners in delivering services to their patients, which is not only on taking care of sick children but also of babies who are being delivered or born in the hospitals which averages of about 20 to 30 a day. They also help in providing health related advocacies to both parents and relatives of patients.

"In our New Born Unit, we have about three to four regular staff (nurses) and we take care of healthy and sick babies and their families. And if we have a critically ill baby then a nurse should focus on this single baby alone and forget his other duties", Cuarte said.

"I think I am for the training program for nurses, as aside from the actual training and experience that these nurses learns they are also of big help in providing health care services to the large number of people who come to government hospitals for consultation and treatment, especially with lack of vacant nurses positions to fill in the deficiency to have an ideal nurses to patient ratio", Cuarte added.

In the said forum, DOH-CAR Human Resources Management and Development Section head Caridad Binwag, explained the content of the DOH Memo 0238, She also admitted that termination of all nurse volunteers or trainees in government hospitals somehow has an impact in the delivery of health care services.

She explained that there is an standard in staffing that is being followed by

the government that the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is now rationalizing. In the meantime, government hospitals would have to rely on its supervision and monitoring to address the gaps left by the termination of volunteer or trainee nurses, she said.

Binwag also urged the regular staff nurses of government hospitals to continue in doing their best to assure the delivery of quality health care services to the public./JDP/LD-PIA CAR

Potogs, Police

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beautify our city and your advocacy to "Save Planet Earth" by planting 500 pine and six bamboo tree seedlings", Farinas said.

To ensure the survival of the trees planted by the group, Forester Aguirre supervised the tree planting activity while Councilor Peter Fianza, adviser and legal counsel of BCPGI surprised the group and helped to cut and uproot sunflowers along the shrubbery area.

CEPMO department head Cordelia Lacsamana and Vice Mayor Farinas assured to give the area for adoption for the group. "This is unique. You work hard to clear and clean the area while planting trees without a Memorandum of Agreement" they said referring to the concept of other group to first sign a Memorandum of Agreement before the undertaking of the project and later forget about their responsibilities.

Upon learning of the plight of Burnham Park photographers this rainy season when tourists are few and for between, City Social Welfare and Development Officer Betty Fangasan promised to give half cavan and assorted can goods to each members of the BCPGI who attended the "Work for Food" program of the city government.

"I commend the BCPGI under the leadership of Mr. Cabillan. The Burnham park photographers are our silent partners in preventing crimes, beautify and clean our parks and protect our environment since commercial photography started at Burnham Park in the early years". Mayor Mauricio G. Domogan said. The Mayor helped the BCPGI by approving the set-up of four units of costume for hire and gallery for the photographers in the hope of reviving commercial photography business which faced demise to the advance of technology today where most park goers have digital cameras and cellphones with cameras./Bong Cayabyab

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Case No: 90-CAR-0030/11CAR-49

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Approval of 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-MINES VIEW and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on October 21, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTRFB 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 3rd day of October 2011.

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CBA-CPLA

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the group to put what they want in writing. The group said they will consult with their members and CPLA communities in the provinces and asked for P175,000 from OPAPP to be downloaded to the RDC to fund said consultations.

It will be recalled that the group had earlier questioned the MOA or closure agreement which was forged between the Government of the Philippines and the CBA-CPLA represented by Marcelina Bahatan for the CBA and Arsenio Humiding for the CPLA on July 4, 2011 in Malacanang.

Deles had stressed that the MOA entitled "Towards the Cordillera People's Liberation Army's final disposition of arms and forces and its transformation into a potent socio-economic and unarmed force and other purposes" is not exclusive to Humiding-Bahatan faction but open to all the CPLA.

She also said that the MOA will not affect the aspiration of the Cordillera to be an autonomous region.

Also known as GPH-CBA/CPLA Closure Agreement, this also carries economic development package for CPLA members and communities./JDP/RC-PIA CAR

33 Barangay

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off, Lower Rock Quarry and Pinget.

To guard the waste pick-up points during the collection schedules to ensure that the wastes being brought there are properly segregated.

The mayor also ordered the punong barangays to conduct massive information education campaign to their constituents on the basics of waste segregation at their homes and on the city's no-segregation-no-collection policy.

During the Ugnayang Panlungsod press briefing, the mayor clarified the intention of the city's no-segregation-no-collection policy for which he said the city should take a radical approach.

He said that instead of the conventional and literal approach of refusing to collect the unsegregated wastes, the city will instead take a revolutionary approach by going after the source of the unsorted refuse and take them to task for violation of the provisions of Republic Act No. 9003.

"Instead of leaving the unsegregated wastes uncollected which will bring more problems because it will result to health hazards and eyesores, we will strengthen the monitoring and coordination with barangay officials so that the perpetrators are identified on site and summoned to do the segregation themselves and execute affidavits and file case against these violators," the mayor said.

The mayor also asked the residents to bear with the city in the implementation of the two-truck biodegradable-nonbiodegradable collection system.

"We are actually experiencing problems on the two-truck system but as we go on, we hope to perfect the system in the long run. Japan, where the Environmental Recycling System (ERS) machines came from, took 30 years to perfect the segregation system. We are only months into the implementation of the segregation policy so we still have a long way so we beg for your understanding," he said./A Refuerzo

Baguio Named 'Finalist'

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Adults, and the city's internet-based 'Bondyng Project' catering to reproductive health care and psycho-social needs of teens.

To these Fangasan seconded that the Barangay Youth Welfare Councils, the Baguio Anti-Drug Council and its school-based counterparts address the need for avenues where kids can be involved in addressing peace and order concerns directly.

Earlier Domogan stressed, "Despite sufficiency of projects and facilities for kids, there is a need for parents to get involved in maintaining peace and order in the city if only to secure safety of our kids."

"Discipline should start at home, after all."/isl

Aditorial.....

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'Robot' (slain ASG kidnapper) was s a f e . "

Did Marine General Guillermo Ruiz coin the label 'Abu Sayyaf Group'? There are more mundane but likely reasons. "Abu Sayyaf" was Abdurajak Janjalani's nom de guerre. The label is shorter than 'al-Harakatul al-Islammiyah', the original group.

"Basilan residents find it difficult to distinguish 'Abu Sayyaf', MNLF, and the 'Lost Command' from one another", journalist Carolyn Arguillas wrote earlier. "Members are apparently like chameleons... 'The other day, this person was MNLF Lost Command. Yesterday he was MNLF regular. Today he is 'Abu Sayyaf'".

"Look beyond labels and shape policies to cope with covert networks, the analysis urges. "Today's pattern will have changed by tomorrow." The only constant is loot from crime — where rebels, elected officials, police and military personnel, bicker over shares.

The Review study may help retool government's efforts to ferret al-Qaeda and other terrorists, who burrow into "dark networks." The human cost of protracted strife, meanwhile, is staggering.

Life expectancy in Sulu and Tawi-Tawi (55 years) is a generation shorter than in La Union (74). Seven out 10 rebels drink from contaminated wells. And eight out of their ten kids never get high school diplomas. "To call things by their right names is the beginning of wisdom."/Juan L. Mercado

The Peace Combatant

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transparency that we can attribute why it took only a few months for our current waste management facility to suffer a breakdown. Now, our city government has no reason to invoke urgency as an excuse not to make consultations.

Consulting our citizens is a must for designing our waste management plan. For instance, who stands to benefit from the businesses that will be created from an improved management facility: the fertilizers produced, the recycled materials, and the several million worth of by-products from the garbage? Did our "improved" management facility included our lowly scavengers from the benefits that will be obtained from the improved waste facility or have they been excluded?

As I see it, there are many benefits that can be derived from public consultations on how our garbage can be managed. Aside from overcoming our shortsightedness, consultations may lead to a better design for garbage management that will benefit the poorest of our society and win the cooperation of most of our people.

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BCEPZ

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to serve Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) ventures and host to operations of actual local and international hardware and software firms, he said.

For its environmental aspect, Agyao said, the project ensures the establishment and maintenance of a central park and many open green areas. It promises to create a walker-friendly environment.

A lot of foreign and local investors in the BCEPZ have already generated many jobs in this mountain resort city and in the neighboring provinces over the past several years, Agyao bared.

The BCEPZ has one of the best records in terms of collecting the fees due from its locators and is on time in the payment of taxes, Agyao added. *(JDP/JPZ PIA-CAR)

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Case No: 96-01-760/2011-CAR-219

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Approval of PETITION of the 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- asin 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 October 21, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Paochal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant/s 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 3rd day of October 2011.

(SGD) Atty. ANABEL A. MARZAN-NULLAR
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Case No: 99-01-1347

NOTICE OF HEARING

This is an application for the Approval of Motion to Accept the Reconstructed copy of Sale and Transfer with EXTENSION OF VALIDITY and Change Engine 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 in CAR and Vice Versa with the use of one (1) Unit.

Notice is hereby given that this application shall be heard by the Board on October 28, 2011 at 10:00 A.M./P.M. at the LTFRB Office, Paochal, Baguio City in which date and time the applicant/s 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.

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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 4th day of Oct 2011.

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42 couples exchange vows

BAGUIO CITY- Marriage vows were exchanged between Forty-Two (42) couples last Thursday afternoon at the Baguio Convention Center with Mayor Mauricio Domogan as solemnizing official.

Resplendent in a red barong amidst a sea of couples wearing white, the mayor also led more than a hundred wedding sponsors, including Vice-Mayor Daniel Farinas, Councilors Peter Fianza, Edison Bilog, Elmer Datuin, Joel Alangsab, and Isabelo Cosalan, friends and relatives in witnessing the mass wedding. Other sponsors include Philippine Information Agency (PIA) Regional Director Helen Tibaldo, Schools Division Superintendent Dr. Ellen Donato, and Congressman Bernardo Vergara, as ably represented by members of his staff.

The Baguio Convention Center was well-prepared as a church for the solemnizing ceremonies and the reception afterwards. Special gifts were also presented to the couples after the ceremonies, and a serenade done by accomplished singers.

On its 17th year, the mass wedding is part of the annual family week celebration, conducted by the City Social Welfare and Development Office and the local government.

The mayor admonished the couples to be serious in their commitment, and include humor in their everyday lives. He also emphasized the importance of faith in the continuing courtship, companionship and communication between the couples. The youngest in the group is twenty years old and the oldest, about 70 years. Some have stayed together for years, having children and grandchildren, before deciding to tie the knot. Some opted to tie the knot for the second time.

Other activities of the family week celebration shall be done this December with a "Know Your Roots," ancestor-trace back, sponsored by the Church of the Latter Day Saints./juliegfianza

City Seizes 152 Defective Scales in Market

BAGUIO CITY – as per orders of Mayor Mauricio Domogan, City Treasurer Thelma Manaois intensified its drive against defective and tampered weighing scales in this mountain resort.

The move is meant to promote consumers welfare at the same time protect them from abusive vendors, Domogan said.

A total of 152 uncalibrated, inaccurate and unregistered weighing scales were seized by members of the Treasury-market personnel headed by Market Superintendent Policarpio Tamayo and members of the Public Order and Safety Division (POSD) of the City Mayor's Office during joint operations at the city's public market.

"Inspections are conducted regularly to ensure weights of goods purchased by the public are correct and accurate," Tamayo said.

Treasury office personnel have also been fielded in different parts of the market for anti-fraud drive now that the yuletide season is near.

Tamayo said "consumers are advised to report any questionable weighing instrument being used to curb unfair practice in the marketplace.

The city government imposes a P1,000.00 fine and confiscation for a defective weighing scale be it manual or digital.

The treasury office have been regularly instructing vendors to present their weighing scales for inspection and calibration to ensure the

accuracy of readings.

Weighing scales that have not been officially sealed by the City Treasurers Office or have broken seals are used to deceive the buyers on the supposed number of kilograms on their purchase of goods.

The owners of the defective weighing scales were ordered to comply with the regulation ordinance of the city while the confiscated scales were destroyed in front of city hall last Monday.

Treasury Office personnel observed that the bulk of confiscated defective weighing scales come from ambulant vendors.

The joint CTO-POSD team will be conducting surprise inspections in the different parts of the city market continuously to minimize and stop the illegal practice of these vendors. /paul rillorta

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42 newly wed couples pose for posterity after the 17th Mass Wedding Ceremony./ Bong Cayabyab

Baguio Named 'Finalist' for 'Child-Friendly' City Search '11

BAGUIO CITY – Baguio City has made it to the final cut in the national 'Search for Child-friendly City 2011' by the National Juvenile Justice Welfare Council (NJJC).

This, amidst unfounded fears of worsening peace and order wrought by apparent 'isolated cases' of violence against minors.

During the weekly 'Ugnayan' presser sponsored by DZEQ Radio ng Bayan, October 5, mayor Mauricio Domogan revealed the city is pitted with the cities of Olongapo, Bacolod, and Mandaluyong for the annual award to be conferred President Benigno "Noynoy" Aquino III in Malacanang October 28.

A multi-agency NJJC team composed of reps from the National Economic Development Administration (NEDA), Department of Health (DOH), National Juvenile Justice Welfare Council (JJWC), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), among others, is currently in the city validating projects, programs and facilities geared towards ad-

ressing multifarious concerns of minors.

They are set to visit randomly chosen barangays to conduct their validation which include City Camp Proper, North Sanitary Camp, San Luis Village, Gabriela Silang, and Lower Magsaysay.

"The team," Domogan explained, "is here to verify local projects implemented by non-government organizations and the local government."

"We – the City Council for the Protection of Children (CCPC) composed of NG had a lengthy discussion with members of the national judging committee where partnership between the local government and private organizations were highlighted and for which we have earned the nomination."

During said discussions, the city took pride in its City Government-NGO run "Center for Kids" in Balenben, Irisan.

Among others, it was revealed that even before passage of the Juvenile Justice Welfare Act (RA 9344) in 2007, the City already had a

facility wherein which, the diversion program for Children in Conflict with Law (CICL) was already being implemented.

24-minors are currently undergoing diversion in the facility reported City Social Welfare and Development chief Betty Fangasan. Baguio is the one of the few cities where kids no longer share jail cells with adults.

On top of this, the CCPC likewise revealed the nationally recognized "Brotherhood for Peace" – a group of youngsters formerly involved in gangs and fraternities are helping put an end to senseless violence involving kids in the city through youth-led projects.

Domogan said, "Kids welfare and education have always been our priorities."

"As a matter of fact, the working ties of NGO with government in our city are incomparable to say the least as we have projects like the Eco-walk greening project being implemented by the kids themselves."

Domogan bared the city also has the private-led Child and Family Services, the Baguio Center for Young Cont. on page 11

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