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TRUTH COMMISSION: ICC RULING ON DUTERTE FITNESS TO STAND TRIAL CLEARS WAY FOR LONG-AWAITED PROCEEDINGS

The Philippine Truth Commission welcomed the ruling of a trial chamber of the International Criminal Court (ICC) that former president Rodrigo Duterte is fit to stand trial for the case of crimes against humanity pending before the court.

In a statement over the weekend, the Commission, a civilian-led independent body that seeks to uncover the truth on Duterte's Drug War, said that with the decision, the long-awaited trial can now proceed.

"The court's decision removes the last major obstacle to a trial that the families of those killed during Rodrigo Duterte's 'drug war' have waited years to see," Carlos Conde, Truth Commission commissioner and spokesman, said.

On October 8, the ICC's Trial Chamber III bared a September 8 decision that that Duterte is fit to stand trial set to begin on November 30.

Conde said the ruling means Duterte will finally face the charges against him in open court, and the evidence and testimonies related to the killings that accompanied his drug war can now be presented.

An independent panel of experts unanimously found that Duterte understands the case against him and can help his lawyers prepare his defense, Conde noted, saying that the ruling means the for-



mer President can no longer invoke health reasons to delay or stop the proceedings.

Conde said the proceedings would provide a chance to establish what happened during the anti-drug campaign.

The Truth Commission, chaired by former ICC Judge Raul C. Pangalangan was organized by church and civic leaders in May to document the human rights violations in Duterte's drug war, honor the victims and provide a forum for closure among their families, advance accountability and institutional reform, strengthen human rights and the rule of law, and contribute to national healing and lasting peace. (PR)



PAALALA SA PUBLIKO

WALANG ACCREDITED BROKERS o AHENTE na maaaring mag-alok o magbenta ng mga Pag-IBIG Acquired Assets.

Ang mga transaksyon patungkol sa pagbid o pagbili ng Pag-IBIG Acquired Assets ay maaari lamang gawin sa loob ng aming mga tanggapan.

Maging maingat at mapanuri. Ipagbigay alam po nila sa amin kung sakaling may lumapit sa inyong indibidwal o grupo na nagpapakilala bilang taga Pag-IBIG Fund at nag-aalok ng aming Acquired Assets, upang agad naming magawan ito ng nararapat na hakbang.

~ SOUL FOOD ~

"For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building."

- 1 Corinthians 3:9 -

PBBM spells out gov't measures vs. El Niño weather disturbance

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Sunday outlined government preparations for the strong El Niño weather disturbance, focusing on securing hospital supplies, protecting food and water supplies, supporting farmers, and ensuring students can continue learning amid extreme heat and drought.

In a media interview in Singapore, the President said the El Niño Task Force began meetings to discuss ongoing government preparations.

President Marcos said his initial order is to secure electricity and medical supplies in the country's hospitals, and prepare the agriculture sector to ensure local food supply.

"We met with everyone involved. Inuna ko 'yung hos-

pital. That, to make sure that hospitals stay open, they have their medical supplies, they have the appropriate supplies for what they anticipate will be the diseases that will come out of a very, very dry season," said the President on the medical facilities.

"The next is to go to agri. Well, agri, we're okay for our rice supply. We're all right...we're starting... harvest season now. Our harvest is good. Hindi na matatamaan ng El Niño. So, okay na tayo for that. It's the next season that we need to be thinking about," President Marcos added.

The President emphasized that the gov-

ernment is also working to manage water supplies, including discussions on collecting every possible drop of water.

"So, our dams, even the households - I'll get to that later, but part of the response is a public service response that we will explain to people what's happening," the President said, advising people to secure water containers for water collection.

"Tuturuan namin

kayo - we'll give you how to fill - 'yung gamot para maging malinis. We'll give you the filter. We'll teach you how to do everything para hindi kayo magkasakit at maayos ang pag-treat ng tubig, pag-filter ng tubig. And it will be healthy even for little children. So that's water supply," President Marcos added.

The President said the government will also conduct cloud seeding to induce

rainfall, with preparations underway, including scheduling operations and procuring the necessary materials.

On livelihood assistance for affected communities, President

Marcos said the government would support farmers and provide them with the necessary training through the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA).

The President added that the situation of schoolchildren in affected areas is also being discussed.

"Then, we started thinking also about the children going to school because baka naman mabawasan na naman 'yung school days natin because of masyang-dong mainit at hindi

makapasok 'yung mga bata, or it's too uncomfortable or even unhealthy," the President told reporters.

"So, paano natin gagawin 'yun? So, we're trying to make sure that the alternative modes of teaching are available. But, find ways, as much as possible, to do face-to-face because we talked about it for a long time, iba tala-ga 'yung face-to-face kaysa sa remote," President Marcos added.

The Chief Executive also said he asked agencies to submit a detailed action plan and schedule.

These involve the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of Health (DOH), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of Agriculture (DA), and the Presidential Communications Office (PCO). (PND)

Marcos prepares water, food, health measures as Super El Niño nears

MANILA - President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. on Sunday outlined government preparations for Super El Niño, including securing hospital supplies, protecting food and water supplies, assisting farmers and ensuring students continue learning amid extreme heat.

Speaking to reporters in Singapore, Marcos said the El Niño Task Force had begun coordinating measures, with agencies set to submit detailed action plans.

"We met with everyone involved. Inuna ko 'yung hospital," Marcos said, citing the need to ensure hospitals have electricity, fuel for generators and medical supplies for illnesses associated with prolonged dry conditions.

On agriculture,

he said the current rice harvest was expected to remain unaffected, but the government was preparing for the next cropping season.

Marcos said authorities were also planning cloud-seeding operations and urging households to collect and reuse water.

"Tuturuan namin kayo . . . We'll give you the filter. We'll teach you how to do everything para hindi kayo magkasakit at maayos ang pag-treat ng tubig, pag-filter ng tubig," he said, referring to public guidance on treating and filtering collected water.

The government is also looking at liveli-



(PNA file photo by Yancy Lim)

hood assistance and training for affected farmers through the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority.

Marcos said officials were preparing alternative learning arrangements in case extreme heat disrupts classes, while seeking to preserve face-to-face instruction where possible.

"We're trying to make sure that the alternative modes of teaching are available. But, find ways, as

much as possible, to do face-to-face because . . . iba tala-ga 'yung face-to-face kaysa sa remote," he said.

The Department of Science and Technology, Department of Health, Department of Social Welfare and Development, Department of Agriculture, and Presidential Communications Office are among the agencies tasked to submit detailed plans. (PNA)

PHILHEALTH WARNS PUBLIC VS FAKE ID REPLACEMENT TEXT MESSAGES

MANILA - The Philippine Health Insurance Corp. (PhilHealth) on Wednesday warned the public against fraudulent text messages claiming that members need to replace their PhilHealth identification cards through an online link.

In an advisory, PhilHealth said it has no ID replacement process conducted through text messages or online links.

It warned that scammers can manipulate text messages to make them appear to come from official senders. Fraudulent messages may even appear in the same conversation thread as legitimate PhilHealth notifications.

"This message is FAKE. PhilHealth has no ID replacement process that is done through text messages or online links," the state insurer said.

PhilHealth said it does not send text messages containing links or request passwords, one-time PINs (OTPs), bank account information or e-wallet details.

It also does not ask members to send money or pay fees through text messages.

The agency advised members to transact only through official channels, including its Local Health Insurance Offices, Member Portal and the eGovPH application.

Members who receive suspicious messages may report them to the PhilHealth Action Center through email or its official Facebook account, @PhilHealthOfficial. Reports may also be made through PhilHealth's landline and hotlines. (PNA)

Witness says no BIR record of transfer of Carpio's Cale88 shares

The Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) found no record of a sale or transfer of lawyer Manases Carpio's shares in Cale88 Foods Corporation, BIR Office of the Commissioner Chief of Staff Anne Loraine Garcia-Marquez told the Senate impeachment court on Thursday.

Marquez said BIR records also showed no electronic Certificate Authorizing Registration (eCAR) and no pending application for one.

The prosecution is seeking to prove that Carpio, the husband of Vice President Sara Duterte, continues to own the shares.

Private prosecutor Erwin Matib presented the BIR findings as the court examined Duterte's business interests under Article II of the Articles of Impeachment.

Garcia-Marquez read a BIR certification submitted to the court on Oct. 7 in response to a subpoena.

It stated that the agency's database contained "no records arising from or in connection with any transfer, sale, disposition, or other conveyance of shares of stock" in Cale88 owned by Carpio.

"In relation thereto, no documents or re-

cords were found evidencing the payment, assessment, or settlement of any applicable taxes, fees, or other charges arising from or in connection with such transfer or disposition," she read.

Matib then asked Garcia-Marquez to put the finding in simpler terms, "Wala pong na-isyung eCAR or any record ng transfer or sale on any shares," she answered.

When asked whether an application might still be pending, she said there was none.

An eCAR is a BIR document used in processing the transfer of property after the applicable taxes have been settled.

Marquez told the court that a transfer of shares not traded on a stock exchange requires one. She said the corporation's secretary must check the tax documents before recording a transfer in the company's books.

The prosecution believes the absence of BIR records showing Carpio's sale or transfer of his Cale88 means he remains its owner.

Matib also described the sale as fake, but defense counsel Kristine Ferrer objected, and presiding officer Sen. Francis "Chiz" Escudero struck the word "peke."



BIR Office of the Commissioner Chief of Staff Anne Loraine Garcia-Marquez testified during the impeachment trial of Vice President Sara Duterte. She said the BIR found no record of a sale or transfer of the shares of lawyer Manases Carpio, Duterte's husband, in Cale88 Foods Corporation. (Photo courtesy: Wendell Alinea/Senate Social Media Unit)

Escudero pointed out that the corporate secretary keeps a company's stock and transfer book and files its General Information Sheet, or GIS, with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Citing testimony already heard by the court, he said a transfer appeared to have been reflected in the GIS even though the BIR had found no eCAR.

Marquez said that under the BIR's rules, taxes must be paid before the transfer is recorded in the company's books.

The court did not establish through her testimony what the company's stock and transfer book currently shows.

Escudero then asked whether the absence of an eCAR made a transaction invalid or

instead exposed those responsible to a penalty.

Marquez distinguished a possible agreement between the buyer and the seller from its recording in the corporate books.

She said a transfer could be valid between the parties, she said, "but it should not have been recorded in the stock and transfer books."

That distinction leaves two questions for the court to examine: whether a transfer agreement exists and whether it was properly recorded.

The BIR certification does not, by itself, settle current ownership of the shares.

"As to the validity, Your Honor, I think the law on contracts should be applied," Marquez said. **(PTV NEWS-DAC)**

91 QC, Caloocan families get land titles under expanded 4PH



Ninety-one families in Quezon City and Caloocan City received land titles on Thursday under the Enhanced Community Mortgage Program (ECMP) of the government's Expanded Pambansang Pabahay para sa Pilipino (4PH) Program.

Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development (DHSUD) Secretary Jose Ramon Aliling and Social Housing Finance Corp. (SHFC) President and CEO Federico Laxa led the distribution of Transfer Certificates of Title (TCTs) to member-beneficiaries of various homeowners associations in the two cities.

Of the 91 titles, 63 were awarded to families in Payatas, Batasan, and Litex in Quezon City, while 28 went to beneficiaries in Barangay 178 in Caloocan City.

The distribution was held as part of the National Shelter Month celebration, with the theme "Tahanan. Pamayanan. Kinabukasan."

Through the ECMP, the DHSUD, and SHFC help organized communities secure land tenure, giving families greater housing security.

In a separate development, Aliling signed a memorandum of understanding with Mindanao Development Authority (MinDA) Chairperson Leo Tereso Magno and Philippine Community Housing Corp. President and CEO Tan Chee Siong for the Building Better Moro Homes: Integrated Housing and Community Development Initiative with Support for Camp Transformation in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM).

The agreement seeks to expand access to safe, decent, and affordable housing in BARMM by establishing a framework to assess the proposed program's technical, financial, legal, institutional, and operational viability.

Under the agreement, DHSUD and MinDA will coordinate information sharing, stakeholder engagement, feasibility assessments, and implementation options. PCHC will conduct a feasibility study and submit its findings and recommendations to concerned government agencies. **(PTV NEWS-DAC)**

PBBM reaffirms push for PH nuclear energy adoption in SNRSI visit

Amid a growing push towards sustainability and longer-term planning for the future of the national grid, President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. championed nuclear energy as a complementary addition to solar, wind, geothermal, and hydropower technologies in the shift from burning fossil fuels to generate electricity.

Moreover, he cited the adoption of nuclear energy as the key to lowering electricity costs for consumers and power generation costs for the energy sector, which rank among the highest in Southeast Asia.

Reaffirming his earlier pronouncements during the 5th State of the Nation Address in July, the President paid a visit to the Singapore Nuclear Research and Safety Institute (SNRSI) on Saturday—a respected institution that continues to develop Singapore's capabilities in nuclear technology.

Upon his arrival at the institute, the President was briefed by SNRSI CEO Low Xin Wei on Singapore's nuclear research, which is new in Southeast Asia, especially after its establishment in 2014.

According to President Marcos Jr., public perception of the adoption of nuclear power in the Philippines has changed in the past few



years, especially regarding safety issues, with more Filipinos now more receptive to such electricity sources.

This, as he reaffirmed the seriousness of the Philippines in embracing nuclear power in a media statement Sunday, "Yes, we're serious about nuclear power because even as we stand now, we're okay in terms of power generation for the Philippines."

Benefits

Moreover, the President said that nuclear power would not only energize households and industries, but would also help the nation to cope with the expected energy demand of

data centers, with the latter expected to help the Philippines earn its spot among the leading players in the digital economy.

Should the adoption take place, the Southeast Asian nation would maintain parity with peers such as Vietnam, China, and South Korea, who have all made significant strides in developing and harnessing nuclear technology for the benefit of their peoples.

Nuclear power would also increase the nation's energy resilience, for it will serve as a power source that is relatively independent of other countries and immune to geopolitical developments in other parts of the world, thus reducing the Philippines' vulnerability to supply disruptions.

Established in 2014, the SNRSI consolidates studies related to nuclear safety, science, and engineering, with the aim of expanding expertise in related activities that would prove beneficial not only to Singapore, but also to other countries in the diaspora. **(with report from Clay Pardilla | PTV News / Photo courtesy: PCO)**

Singapore visit opened more opportunities for investments, cooperation — PBBM

President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. highlighted new investment opportunities, stronger economic partnerships and energy security during his Oct. 7 to 11 working visit to Singapore, which included his participation in the 24th Forbes Global CEO Conference and meetings with government and business leaders.

In his post-visit message, President Marcos said his discussions with Singapore Prime Minister Lawrence Wong focused on sustaining momentum in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) agenda as the Philippines prepares to hand over the ASEAN chairship to Singapore next month.

"I am pleased with my discussions with Prime Minister Lawrence Wong, particularly on our shared interest in ensuring continuity and sustaining momentum in ASEAN priorities," President Marcos said.

"As our term as ASEAN Chair draws to a close and we prepare to hand over to Singapore next month, these back-to-back engagements could not be more timely," President Marcos noted.

The President and his delegation arrived in Manila at 1:54 a.m. following his five-day working visit to Singapore.

At the Forbes conference, the President presented the Philippines' economic priorities and growth plans to about 470 business leaders, chief executive officers, and policymakers.

These include expanding exports, improving the business environment through tax incentives and digital reforms, and advancing major infrastructure projects such as the \$20-billion Luzon Economic Corridor.

The President also underscored the country's push to strengthen research and development, expand regional digital cooperation, combat corruption, and build stronger international economic partnerships.

"I spoke of our drive to move up the technology ladder into research and development and to lead in regional digital cooperation, supported by a young, highly skilled, English-speaking and tech-savvy workforce," the President said.

"I also emphasized our national resolve to fight corruption,



strengthen digital safeguards, build strong international economic ties, firmly protect our sovereignty, sovereign rights and jurisdiction in the West Philippine Sea, and contribute to regional peace and stability," President Marcos added.

During his meetings with business executives, the President discussed investment and expansion plans involving FedEx, Mitsubishi Corporation and Vena Energy.

FedEx is preparing to expand its Clark Gateway Hub in Pampanga, which is expected to open in the fourth quarter of 2028.

The expanded facility is expected to increase international air freight and specialized cargo capacity, helping micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) access global markets.

President Marcos said the developments support the country's target of increasing renewable energy's share in power generation to 35 percent by 2030 and 50 percent by 2040.

Beyond investments, the President also emphasized the importance of preparing the country's energy supply, infrastructure, technology, and workforce to support future industries.

"I am confident that the interest shown by investors in these engagements will bring more high-value investments, partnerships, technology and jobs to the Philippines, particularly in sectors that will support our long-term growth and transformation," the President said.

As part of this effort, President Marcos also visited the Singapore Nuclear Research and Safety Institute to learn about Singapore's work in nuclear research and technology, particularly in safety.

The President said the visit strengthened the Philippines' partnership with Singapore and opened more opportunities for investment and cooperation.

"To power our growth, we will keep studying all viable options for our long-term energy security and build the technical capability to make informed decisions for our future," President Marcos concluded. (PND)

BDO introduces self-service Forex machine at NAIA 3

Travelers arriving at NAIA Terminal 3 can now enjoy instant access to Philippine Peso with BDO's self-service Currency Exchange Machine. Foreigners and locals arriving with USD, EUR and JPY can easily convert their foreign currency into Philippine Pesos in minutes, with no need for forms to fill out or teller assistance.

Made available through BDO's banking network, the self-service machine combines efficiency with advanced security. It authenticates bank notes, accepts up to 30 bills at a time, and issues a receipt for every exchange. On conversion, customers will receive bills and even coins for best value. The service is available 24 x 7, all day, every day.

The Currency Exchange machine can easily be found shortly after completing Immigration clearance and exiting the arrival gates, right in front of the BDO branch. More and more travelers are discovering the convenience, and appreciate BDO's highly competitive rates, widely recognized as the attractive benchmark in Forex pricing.

"Travelers today expect convenience at every touchpoint of their journey," shares Cora A. Mallillin, BDO Executive Vice President and Head of Branch Banking Group. "With the launch of the Currency Exchange Machine, we're giving customers greater flexibility and control over their Forex needs. In just a few simple steps, they can securely access peso with no delays. This travel-



friendly innovation underscores our commitment to delivering competitive Forex services right where clients need them, enhancing their overall travel experience."

Convenience meets trust

With BDO's self-service Currency Exchange Machine, you can turn your foreign bills into Philippine pesos in five easy steps:

- Step #1 Select the currency you want to convert in the Forex machine.
- Step #2 Review and accept the terms and conditions.
- Step #3 Scan your passport; the machine then captures your photo for secure identity authentication.
- Step #4 Insert your foreign bills and confirm the amount in Philippine Pesos.
- Step #5 Collect your converted pesos in bills and coins, and receive a printed transaction receipt.

As consumer preferences continue to shift toward digital and automated experiences, BDO remains at the forefront of providing easy, simple, and secure access to competitively priced local currency. With the foreign exchange services now at your fingertips at NAIA 3, you can enjoy a fast and effortless way to start or end your travel journey. (BDO)

BLESSING AND TURNOVER OF TWO-STOREY SCHOOL ANNEX BUILDING



BLESSING AND TURNOVER OF TWO-STOREY SCHOOL ANNEX BUILDING. Bulacan Governor Daniel R. Fernando with school officials, teachers, students and community representatives during the blessing and turnover ceremony of the newly constructed two-storey school building at Rueda Elementary School in Plaridel, Bulacan on October 1, 2026. INSET: The newly constructed two-storey annex school building in Rueda Elementary School.

Si Gobernador Daniel R. Fernando ng Bulacan kasama ang mga opisyal ng paaralan, mga guro, mga estudyante, at mga kinatawan ng komunidad sa ginanap na seremonya ng pagbabasbas at pagpapasinaya sa bagong tayong dalawang palapag na gusali ng paaralan sa Rueda Elementary School in Plaridel, Bulacan noong Oktubre 1, 2026. INSET: Ang bagong tayong dalawang-palapag na annex building sa Rueda Elementary School.

EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that in a document entitled “**Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights**,” executed by **E JAY SAPLALA VERGARA, RALPH SIMEON SAPLALA VERGARA, EDRAKE RILEY SAPLALA VERGARA, and JANNICA VERGARA MAGRIMBAO**, the heirs of **EDWIN JOSUE VERGARA and REVELACION SAPLALA VERGARA**, the parties declared the following:

- (i) **EDWIN JOSUE VERGARA and REVELACION SAPLALA VERGARA** died on **June 19, 2026 and February 1, 2020**, respectively, and died intestate;
- (ii) The parties are the legitimate and surviving heirs of the deceased;
- (iii) The deceased left property at **LOYOLA MEMORIAL PARK**, particularly described as **Garden of Peace, Block 0374, Sec. E, Lot A**;
- (iv) Pursuant to **Section 1, Rule 74 of the Rules of Court of the Philippines**, the heirs agreed to adjudicate the above-mentioned property in **pro-indiviso equal shares**, subject to the liabilities imposed in favor of any other possible heirs, creditors, and other persons who might be deprived of their lawful participation in the estate for a period of two (2) years; and
- (v) The heirs likewise **waived all their rights, interests, and participation** over the above-mentioned property in favor of the person designated in the instrument.

The **Extrajudicial Settlement with Waiver of Rights** was executed in **Quezon City** on **September 22, 2026** and notarized before **Atty. Bryan D. Pekas**, Notary Public for Quezon City, and entered in his notarial register as **Doc. No. 107; Page No. 10; Book No. VIII; Series of 2026**.

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DEED OF EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE
OF THE LATE KOK CHAN Y. DY

NOTICE is hereby given that in a document entitled “**Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate of the Late Kok Chan Y. Dy**,” executed by **JERRY U. DY, JEFFERSON U. DY, JACKSON U. DY, and JACOB U. DY** (collectively, the “Heirs”), the Heirs declared and made known the following:

- (i) **KOK CHAN Y. DY** died intestate on **December 5, 2025**, without leaving any last will and testament, and was a resident of **No. 97 Sta. Catalina St., Brgy. Sienna, Quezon City**;
- (ii) The Heirs are the legitimate children and heirs of the Decedent;
- (iii) The Decedent left a **6/10 pro-indiviso share** in a parcel of land with improvement located at **No. 97 Sta. Catalina St., Brgy. Sienna, Quezon City**, covered by **Transfer Certificate of Title No. N-274883**, with Tax Declaration Nos. **F-106-00056 and D-106-02653**, containing an area of **Four Hundred Twenty (420) square meters, more or less**;
- (iv) The Decedent likewise left a **sole proprietorship business** duly registered with the Department of Trade and Industry under the business name “**APEX MILL SUPPLY**,” with business address at **97 Sta. Catalina St., Brgy. Sienna, Quezon City**, including its assets consisting of **cash in bank, inventories, prepayments and other current assets, and one (1) 1993 Toyota Tamaraw with Plate No. TJT-248**;
- (v) To the best knowledge and information of the Heirs, no other properties are involved in the extrajudicial settlement; and
- (vi) Pursuant to **Section 1, Rule 74 of the Rules of Court**, the Heirs agreed to divide the estate of the Decedent **equally among themselves**.

The Deed of Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate of the Late Kok Chan Y. Dy was executed in Makati City and notarized before **Atty. Pepito G. Po**, Notary Public, and entered in his notarial register as **Doc. No. 73; Page No. 13; Book No. XII; Series of 2026**.

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SECOND ADDENDUM TO THE EXTRAJUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF THE
INTESTATE ESTATE OF PATRICIA JOSEFA MAGALLANES CERVANTES
WITH WAIVER OF RIGHTS

NOTICE is hereby given that in a document entitled “**Second Addendum to the Extrajudicial Settlement of the Intestate Estate of Patricia Josefa Magallanes Cervantes with Waiver of Rights**,” executed by **MODESTO NAVARRA CERVANTES, MICHAEL MAGALLANES CERVANTES, JONATHAN ALVIN MAGALLANES CERVANTES, and ROSEMARIE JUDITH MAGALLANES CERVANTES** (collectively, the “Heirs”), the Heirs declared and made known the following:

- (i) **PATRICIA JOSEFA MAGALLANES CERVANTES** died intestate on **November 6, 2025**, leaving her surviving husband and children as her heirs;
- (ii) The Heirs had previously executed an **Extrajudicial Settlement of Estate** dated **March 9, 2026**, and an **Addendum** dated **July 8, 2026**;
- (iii) The Heirs subsequently identified additional properties forming part of the Decedent’s estate, including condominium and land properties covered by the corresponding **Condominium Certificate of Title and Transfer Certificates of Title**; and
- (iv) Pursuant to **Rule 74, Section 1 of the Rules of Court**, the Heirs agreed to divide and adjudicate the estate, including the additional properties, among themselves in equal shares.

The **Second Addendum to the Extrajudicial Settlement of the Intestate Estate of Patricia Josefa Magallanes Cervantes with Waiver of Rights** was executed in **Makati City** and notarized before **Atty. Gregorio B. Velasquez Jr.**, Notary Public for Makati City, and entered in his notarial register as **Doc. No. [verify]; Page No. 10; Book No. 3; Series of 2026**.

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT
NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION
OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF COURT AND EX-OFFICIO SHERIFF
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EAST WEST BANKING CORPORATION,
Petitioner/Mortgagee,

-versus-

FRE NO. 16732

SPOUSES RONALD ROQUE L. ARAMBULO AND
RICA VICTORIA V. DIAZ-ARAMBULO,
Mortgagor/s Respondents.

X ----- X

NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL PROPERTY/IES
UNDER ACT 3135 (AS AMENDED)

UPON extra-judicial petition under ACT 3135, as amended by ACT 4118 and pursuant to the terms and conditions of the **Promissory Note, Disclosure Statement on Loan/Credit Transaction, Loan and Mortgage Agreement**, executed on October 11, 2011, by **SPOUSES RONALD ROQUE L. ARAMBULO AND RICA VICTORIA V. DIAZ-ARAMBULO**, Mortgagor/s Respondents, with residence and postal address at No. 8 Charleyville corner Kingsville St., Whiteplains, Quezon City and/or 2F BPI Buendia Center, Sen. Gil Puyat Ave., Makati City, in favor of **EAST WEST BANKING CORPORATION**, Mortgagee/s, to satisfy the mortgage debt in the total amount of **P7,625,330.62** as of July 20, 2026, inclusive/exclusive of interest, penalties, and other charges together with all the lawful fees and expenses of foreclosure sale, the Ex-Officio Sheriff of the Regional Trial Court of Quezon City and/or his duly authorized Deputy Sheriff, hereby announces that on **December 1, 2026**, between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., at the Office of the Clerk of Court & Ex-Officio Sheriff, Regional Trial Court, Hall of Justice Bldg., (beside Quezon City Hall) Elliptical Road, Diliman, Quezon City, will **SELL** through public auction to the highest bidder and for cash, in Philippine currency, the following described real property/ies with all the improvements existing thereon, to wit:

TRANSFER CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO. N-274557
Registry of Deeds, Quezon City

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Local Products in Glo-cal Market: DOST and Lazada PH, Join Forces to Advance Digital Transformation of Local MSMEs

To strengthen the capabilities of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in e-commerce, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and Lazada philippines continue to expand their collaboration for the digital transformation of local businesses in the country. In the recently held TechnoPreSyensya Episode 16 on September 10, 2026, Mr. Justin N. Madrid, Science Research Specialist II of DOST Ilocos Region, discussed the “Expanding Digital Opportunities for MSMEs” initiative to establish concrete steps in introducing local products within and outside the country with the help of Lazada PH.

Mr. Madrid emphasized that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the two institutions is a comprehensive ecosystem aimed at helping DOST-assisted MSMEs become competitive. Through this collaboration, business owners receive free onboarding training, digital marketing knowledge, customer engagement, and supply chain management, as well as access to logistics and payment systems from Lazada. He explained that this initiative provides a fair opportunity for producers in Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, La Union, and Pangasinan to reach customers in Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao without going

through large distributors in Metro Manila.

One of the key challenges discussed was the lack of “digital confidence” or the hesitation to enter online selling due to the lack of knowledge in using smartphones, computers, or running a digital store. Mr. Madrid clarified that it is not necessary to be tech-savvy right away before starting, as the most important thing is the willingness to learn. With the help of training from Lazada University, MSMEs will be taught from creating seller accounts, taking good product photos, and writing clear product descriptions, up to processing orders and inventory.

In addition to training on using the platform, the DOST Ilocos Region also provides support in preparing products to be attractive online. Through various Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) interventions, the agency helps food and processed products with food safety, packaging and labeling, shelf-life testing, and laboratory analysis, while manufacturing and handicraft sectors are supported by equipment upgrading and process improvement. Mr. Madrid emphasized that since customers do not personally see the products, proper product presentation and packaging are crucial while on the road.

The agency also emphasized that having these documents should not be feared, but rather seen as an opportunity to properly establish the business foundation, branding, and identity of the business. The agency is committed to guiding entrepreneurs and engaging with other government agencies and local government units (LGUs) to complete the necessary documents.

To ensure the sustainability or continued growth of the initiative, Mr. Madrid emphasized that the success of the project is not measured by the number of online accounts engaged, but by the actual increase in sales and expansion of the business. Through continuous learning from customer feedback, improving pricing strategies, and increasing production capacity, local businesses in the region will gradually grow with the help of DOST’s technical expertise



and Lazada’s infrastructure. As a conclusion, Mr. Madrid left an important challenge and call to all business owners in the region to be bold in trying and not limit their market. The DOST Ilocos Region invites all MSMEs to visit the nearest Regional Office or Provincial Science and Technology Offices (PSTOs) to help them transition to the digital platform and jointly bring local products to the national and international market. (DOST)

Peace Through Science & Technology DOST XII brings life-changing innovations closer to MNLF communities

Peace is more than the absence of conflict — it’s the presence of real opportunities for healthy, productive, and dignified lives.

On September 22, 2026, the Department of Science and Technology SOCCSKSARGEN (DOST XII) made this vision real during the Service Caravan in Maasim, Sarangani Province. Held at the Municipal Gymnasium and organized by the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity (OPAPRU) through the MNLF Peace Process Office, the event marked National Peace Consciousness Month and the 30th Anniversary of the 1996 Final Peace Agreement between the Philippine Government and the Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF).

Through the DOST Provincial Science and Technology Office – Sarangani and General Santos City (PSTO-SarGen), the agency brought practical food technologies developed by the DOST-Food and Nutrition Research Institute (DOST-FNRI) directly to the people:

- Iron-Fortified Rice – fighting iron deficiency and anemia
- Enhanced Nutribun – nutritious bread packed with local vegetables
- Brown Rice Nutty Fruity Bar – a ready-to-eat snack with

brown rice, nuts, seeds, dried fruits & honey

- Nutricookies – delicious, nutrient-rich cookies

A total of 602 MNLF beneficiaries availed of these technologies, showing how science can improve everyday nutrition and well-being.

The event also spotlighted the Community Empowerment through Science and Technology (CEST) Program – a pathway for organized MNLF communities to access technologies, capacity-building, and technical assistance tailored to their needs.

In Maasim alone, two organized ex-combatant groups are already thriving under CEST:

One group is advancing smart aquaculture through African catfish fingerling production, another is building a community-based enterprise producing footwear, bags, and clothing using modern technologies

These former combatants are now using Science and Technology not only to create sustainable livelihoods but also to uplift their entire communities — proving that S&T can transform conflict-affected areas into productive, peaceful, self-reliant, and resilient ones.

OPAPRU recognized DOST XII’s strong partnership by awarding a



Plaque of Appreciation to Regional Director Dr. Sammy P. Malawan, RABE, represented by Supervising SRS For. Nabil A. Hadji Yassin.

From conflict to livelihood... from limited opportunities to productive enterprises... from dependence to empowerment. DOST XII continues to prove that Science, Technology, and

Innovation are powerful partners in peace and development. Through CEST and its ongoing collaboration with OPAPRU, DOST XII remains committed to making S&T accessible and relevant, turning local potential into lasting opportunities for sustainable, empowered, and resilient communities. (DOST 12)

TSP SHOWBIZ ROUND-UP

DOUG KRAMER
POSTS SWEET ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE FOR
WIFE CHESKA GARCIA

dougkramer Our biggest flex?
Being together through the 2000s, 2010s, and 2020s.

It's hard to believe it's already been 23 years since we first got together.
I'll never forget that date, April 2003 when I met you in Boracay. ❤️

From being my number one cheerleader during my college playing days, to becoming my ex-girlfriend turned incredible wife, and the most loving mother to Kendra, Scarlett, and Gavin.

I've had so many blessings in my 43 years, but choosing to pursue you and making you mine forever will always be the best decision of my life.

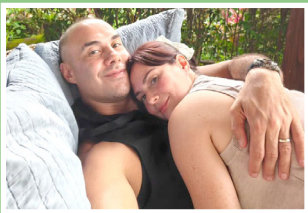
October 9, 2008, we said our I Dos.
18 years of an amazing, happy marriage.
Wow, that is purely God's grace.
To think that through every season, we've held onto our promise to never let an issue grow bigger than what we can resolve before the night ends.

The ring design shares our 2 hearts, intertwined forever. 18 diamonds to signify our years together and our 3 beautiful children with their birth stones. ❤️

I wouldn't be the man, the father, or the husband I am today without the trusting, loving, and respectful wife you are.

We've walked through so many seasons together—legit tumatanda na tayoh! 🥳
But there's no one else in this world I'd rather grow old and share forever with than you.

Happy Anniversary to the love of my life.
I love you endlessly, my Francescal! ❤️🔥



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MATTEO GUIDICELLI'S
SHOW WILL AIR ON KAPAMILYA ALL CHANNELS

matteog Espresso toast!!!! 🍞

Guys, starting today (Saturday, 9:30PM) #MatteoGPrimeTime Season 1 will be airing on Kapamilya Channel, A2Z, ALLTV2, iWant, and TV5! You can also catch us on ANC every Monday at 8PM starting October 12 (Monday). Wuhoooo!

Excited to be sharing this new chapter with all of you. 😊



Images courtesy of Instagram: matteog

49TH GAWAD URIAN AWARDEES



Best Actress:
Maris Racal - Sunshine
Odette Khan - Bar Boys: After School

Best Actor:
Carlo Aquino - Bar Boys: After School
Jericho Rosales - Quezon

Best Supporting Actress: Jennica Garcia - Sunshine
Best Supporting Actor: Will Ashley - Bar Boys: After School
Best Cinematography: Quezon
Best Director: Noni Abao - Bloom Where You Are Planted
Best Film: Bloom Where You Are Planted
Best Screenplay: Republic of the Philippines
Best Documentary: Bloom Where You Are Planted
Best Short Film: Cemento
Best Production Design: Quezon
Best Editing: Bloom Where You Are Planted
Best Music: Jerrold Tarog - Quezon
Best Sound: Cinemartys
Outstanding Gawad Urian Award: Ms. Laurice Guillen

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Mattress, Upholstery & Car Deep Cleaning

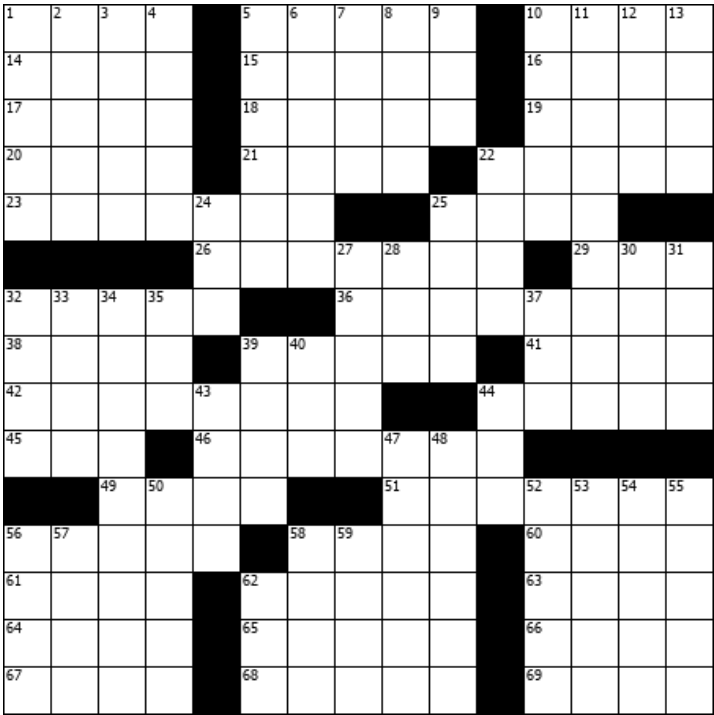
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- Across**

 - 1. Labels
 - 5. Formal necktie
 - 10. Amino _____
 - 14. Plenty (2 wds.)
 - 15. Andean animal
 - 16. "My Fair _____"
 - 17. Tick's kin
 - 18. Deserve
 - 19. Wood source
 - 20. Singer _____ Seeger
 - 21. Drive out
 - 22. Daddies
 - 23. Critical examiner
 - 25. Tender
 - 26. Sports figure
 - 29. Born as
 - 32. Dairy product
 - 36. Like "Shrek", e.g.
 - 38. Uncle's wife
 - 39. Thin candle
 - 41. Sandwich store
 - 42. Dozing ones
 - 44. Most inferior
 - 45. That girl
 - 46. Boxing official
 - 49. Hoodlum
 - 51. A Great Lake
 - 56. Pay out
- 58. Golf stroke
 - 60. Comic _____ Carvey
 - 61. Stable morsels
 - 62. A la _____
 - 63. Deeds
 - 64. French cheese
 - 65. Enrage
 - 66. Actor Richard
 - 67. Religious subgroup
 - 68. Acts
 - 69. Love god



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 - 1. Florida bay
 - 2. UFO pilot
 - 3. Must, informally
 - 4. Strong metal
 - 5. Not quite
 - 6. Detective
 - 7. Automobiles
 - 8. Exclude
 - 9. Make a doily
 - 10. Church feature
 - 11. Woodworker
 - 12. Inspiration
 - 13. Tints
 - 22. Ode
 - 24. Thanksgiving veggie
 - 25. Move slightly
 - 27. Slip-up
 - 28. Wind direction (abbr.)
 - 30. Slithery swimmers
 - 31. Censor
 - 32. Ready money
 - 33. Reign
 - 34. Peppy
- 35. Had a snack
 - 37. Hullabaloo
 - 39. Youth
 - 40. Pound sound
 - 43. Urge
 - 44. Rainy
 - 47. Decayed
 - 48. Walks in
 - 50. Start
 - 52. Proverb
 - 53. Marathon runner
 - 54. Preface
 - 55. Fertile spots
 - 56. Cries
 - 57. Whittle down
 - 58. Window part
 - 59. Encourage
 - 62. Rascal

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

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LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

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100 golfers to join PSC Chairman's Cup



PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION
**CHAIRMAN'S
CUP**



MANILA – More than 100 golfers from government agencies, the private sector, and the media are expected to join the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) Chairman's Cup at the Luisita Golf and Country Club in Tarlac on Friday.

The event, which promotes the Fairway to the Future grassroots golf program, begins at 8 a.m. Registration opens at 6 a.m.

PSC Chairman John Patrick "Pato" Gregorio initiated Fairway to the Future in line with President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr.'s directive to strengthen government support for grassroots sports.

The program seeks to provide free golf lessons and access to training facilities for qualified underprivileged children across the country, with priority potentially given to children and dependents of caddies and club employees.

"We believe golf talents can be found all over the country, and through this program, we might discover a diamond in the rough who can become a champion," Gregorio said in a news release Thursday.

The Chairman's Cup will use a four-person scramble format, with each team selecting its preferred shot and all four members playing from that position until the ball is holed.

Scores will be converted into Mola points: six for an albatross, five for an eagle, four for a birdie, three for par, two for a bogey, and one for a double bogey. Triple bogey or worse earns no points. The highest total over 18 holes wins.

The Juniors division will recognize the champion, first runner-up, and second runner-up teams. The Government Partners, Private Partners, Media, and PSC-POC divisions will each award their champion and first runner-up teams.

Special hole awards will also be presented for the most accurate drive and longest drive on Hole 1, and nearest the pin and hole-in-one on Hole 13.

Fairway to the Future targets golfers aged 18 and below, including children of caddies, greenskeepers and club employees, public school students, out-of-school youth, and young players from provincial communities.

It envisions community and school-based instruction, standardized coaching, regional training centers, and a structured competition pathway. Under the proposed framework, participating facilities will provide designated practice areas free of charge and waive green fees for registered juniors during prescribed hours.

"We intend to expand our partnerships as we continue the program. Hopefully, more stakeholders will join us in providing opportunities for our children," Gregorio said.

The PSC and National Golf Association of the Philippines will lead the nationwide development program in partnership with the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority, Bases Conversion and Development Authority, Armed Forces of the Philippines, and Department of National Defense. (PNA)

NU, Letran battle for Shakey's Unity Cup lead

MANILA – National University and Letran clash for solo leadership in Pool A when the Shakey's Super League (SSL) Unity Cup resumes on Friday at the Rizal Memorial Coliseum.

The defending champion Lady Bulldogs meet the NCAA reigning titlist Lady Knights at 3 p.m.

NU head coach Norman Miguel considers Letran as one of the biggest threats to the Lady Bulldogs' bid for a fifth straight crown.

"Letran, being the NCAA champion, has gained so much experience and we know they can use that in the game. So, there's no reason for us to be complacent," said Miguel.

Arah Panique, Alexa Mata, Chams Maaya, Celine Marsh, Harlyn Serneche, Sam Cantada and Evangeline Alinsug will lead NU, which is coming off a 25-14, 25-19, 25-18 victory over San Beda University.

Letran, who beat Arellano University, 25-19, 18-25, 25-18, 25-18,



last Sept. 27, will rely on Judiel Nitura, Carlyn Tizon, Sheena Sarie and Kaizah Huyno.

Meanwhile, Far Eastern University and San Sebastian College-Recoletos meet at 1 p.m. in Pool C.

FEU defeated Ateneo de Manila University, 25-20, 25-13, 25-12, while SSC-R outlasted Emilio Aguinaldo College, 16-25, 18-25, 27-25, 25-23, 15-6. In Pool D, University of the Philippines debuts against University of the East at 5 p.m.

UE hopes to bounce back from a 22-25, 26-24, 26-24, 12-25, 13-15, loss to Lyceum of the Philippines University. (PNA)



Heroes' welcome for Team Philippines; 29 medals in Asiad highlighted

MANILA — A warm welcome greeted Team Philippines following its historic campaign at the 20th Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, which concluded with a total of 29 medals—four golds, nine silvers, and 16 bronzes.

Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) President Abraham "Bambol" Tolentino, alongside Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) Chairman John Patrick "Pato" Gregorio and Team Philippines Chef de Mission Richard Anthony Lim, led the welcome for the Filipino athletes during the Team Philippines Heroes' Welcome and Press Conference held on Monday, October 5, at the Century Seafood Restaurant inside Century Park Hotel in Manila.

The gathering featured the three athletes who brought home the country's four gold medals. These include gymnast Carlos Edriel Yulo, who championed the men's floor exercise and vault; pole vault star EJ Obiena, who ruled his event once again; and taekwondo standout Jeus Gabriel Derick Yape, who brought home a gold in virtual taekwondo and a bronze in poomsae.

Also present at the celebration were Team Philippines' other silver and bronze medalists, who brought honor to the nation in Asia's largest sporting event.

In total, the Philippines logged 29 medals—4 golds, 9 silvers, and 16 bronzes—matching the country's highest silver medal haul in the modern era, previously set at the 1970 Bangkok Asian Games. This also marks the Philippines' largest overall medal tally in the modern era of the Asian Games since the 1966 Bangkok edition.

Philippine Olympic Committee (POC) President Abraham "Bambol" Tolentino expressed pride in the delegation's results and called for more aggressive preparations for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympics.

"Don't let up, don't hold back—we must go all out!"

According to Tolentino, a significant portion of the Philippines' medals in Nagoya came from core Olympic sports, prompting him to stress that support must be focused on athletes with a clear shot at Olympic qualification. This includes a larger budget for training, international exposure, and competing in qualifying tournaments to ensure Filipino athletes capture every opportunity for the Los Angeles

Games.

In tennis, attention is focused on Alex Eala, who is currently ranked World No. 18 and in a strong position for Olympic qualification. In boxing, a series of qualifying tournaments will commence next year in Almaty, Kazakhstan. Meanwhile, following their successful campaign in Nagoya, the national taekwondo team is also preparing for the Asian Continental Qualifying Tournament.

Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) Chairman Patrick "Pato" Gregorio emphasized the broader distribution of medal sources for the Philippines in Aichi-Nagoya. According to Gregorio, the country brought home medals across approximately 18 to 19 different sports, a significant increase compared to the 11 sports that delivered medals at the 2023 Hangzhou Asian Games.

For the PSC chief, this proves that the impact of grassroots sports development is expanding and that the number of disciplines where Filipino athletes can compete at a high level is steadily growing.

Beyond the medals, Gregorio also asked the public to recognize and appreciate the sacrifice of every athlete. Regardless of their fight's outcome, he stated, the hard work, perseverance, dedication, and sacrifices they gave for the country truly deserve recognition.

With the conclusion of the Aichi-Nagoya Asian Games, Team Philippines brought home not just 29 medals, but a clearer message: the scope of Philippine sports has expanded, and the target is now higher—the Los Angeles Olympics. (POC/HNT)



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