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**GUIDANCE OF PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE DURING THE SITUATION BRIEFING ON THE EFFECTS OF TYPHOON “TISOY IN THE BICOL REGION**

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**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Well, actually I was not worried about being hereimmediately after the typhoon because --- well I had the pictures of the entire places that were hit. So I had an idea of how terrible the typhoon was. Meron na akong mga aerial photographs. So alam ko na ang…

So visit… So I thought of the first available opportunity to visit here. Apparently, the government agencies knew what to do before the typhoon hit, its landfall, what it did during the entire crisis and after.

So I am more than satisfied by the response. Question is, as always, if we have this kind of situation, after you make the assessment, the evaluation is there, it’s always money.

So it would be good to --- for the entire government agencies who are here, beginning from DSWD and ends up with the Department of Trade *[unclear]* to submit your report immediately so that they can pass it on to the proper agency concerned. This time, if there’s an available money, we can get it from the budget office.

Nakita ko kasi ‘yung sa ano… You would --- it’s okay. Parating lang ninyo ‘yung report then we will take over and I will advise you accordingly kung kailan dadating ang pera.

I’m sure there is always a money for that and for all of these things that’s happening now. The only thing is how fast. Wala kayong problema sa akin because I’m a very impatient person.

I usually do my bidding minsan sa mga --- not to bide their time --- but ‘yung apurado ako, especially itong calamities and crises.

So they are listed here --- DSWD, DOH, DOLE, DPWH, and so on. Report kayo to the *[unclear]* para madali so we can move faster. It was always after a calamity, after all’s been said and done. It’s always a question of money.

At nagpunta ako dito, hindi naman ako sabihin nagmukhang pera. Pero talagang pera ang kailangan natin. Wala naman tayong… I do not have any. I do not have to give any critiques because I said everything or everyone knew what to do before, during, and after. More than satisfied with the performance of government.

And --- but I commiserate with the Bicolanos for this *[unclear].* Apparently, you are condemned to suffer this kind of crisis every now and then. You know, even before the climate change which made it really worse, you are the window of the Pacific and you are regularly *[unclear]* with things like these.

Ang --- what is… I remember there’s a need and this was discussed during the Mayon Volcano. I think it was Senator Tolentino now who suggested for -- - parang houses, halfway houses where people can go and seek your help.

Well apparently, if it is for typhoon talagang kailangan nito puro cement. But it’s not only cement, but talagang cement na cement. One that does not crumble during a *[unclear].* Because aside from the typhoons, we have Mt. Mayon, the beauty and the beast at the same time. It can be a beautiful side at any given time, during a normal day and it can also give you sorrow when she gets angry.

Either way, medyo talaga ang Bicol, papunta dito sa… Meron kami Mt.

Apo. It’s there, it’s not moving... When I was young nakikita ko ‘yung --- at the tip, I see fireballs there but that has stopped.

But Mayon seems to be alive. Ang Mayon siguro gusto ng pansin. ‘Pag hindi ninyo pinapansin nagagalit. So once in a while, you Bicolanos, especially na ngayon lang. Tumitingin lang diyan ‘yung mga --- ‘yung mga bisita eh, passing --- the passing tourists and people who are not here.

Medyo every now and then, nagwawala eh. So ‘yung idea of building a halfway house or however you would call it, shelters of refuge, parang kailangan ninyo dito in all places facing from Isabela, Cagayan, down dito sa Masbate hanggang…

Ang binubugbog sa Mindanao, the northern part but seldom, very seldom. But that’s only part of Mindanao na tinatamaan ng typhoon. Davao, for the last time I remember --- ‘yung na-ano ko lang, maalaala ko was in 1969. That was the last typhoon that visited Davao.

But we have another problem. Dito, this kind of nature. Doon naman sa Mindanao, they are grappling with terrorism. And that --- if there is one thing that would give me the sweat in the hands at parang natatakot ako, would be threat here of terrorism.

‘Yan lang ang bantayan natin. I really do not know. I cannot project even if it’s time to keep stock of everything and prepare. But it is always good to be prepared for all of these things. But Mindanao is very open to these kind of things.

So ‘yun ang problema. ‘Yung Luzon, well because of its size. Maybe the northern part hits, but the southern thing would enjoy a good weather. Kagaya nung --- ito, ito si… P\*\*\*\* i\*\*\*\* Tisoy na ‘to. Bwisit.

Sabi ko sa mga guard doon. Sabi ko, “Malakas ba ito?” Sabi niya, “Malakas ‘yan. Kailangan prepared.” ‘Di kaming mga taga… This is not a joke but it is a joke if you hear it. Kaming mga taga-Mindanao, gusto namin makita ‘yung typhoon. We seldom have it actually.

Downpours, yes. But ‘yung magsabay ‘yung winds at would be a howling thing pati tubig wala kami. So kaming --- ‘di, talaga it is true. Gusto ko ‘yung ‘makita ‘yung typhoon. Even when we were students.

Kami ni Bebot, sila ‘yung sanay na sa Isabela. Eh ako, dulo ako ng Mindanao, to the farthest end, down. I am facing Australia. And on a clear day, makita na ninyo ‘yung mga Australiana nagbi-bikini sa beach nila. That’s the only thing that’s wonderful about Davao. It is far from the madding crowds of typhoons. ‘Yun ang pasalamat namin sa Diyos.

But we are and we have been hit with terrorism. Mas ma-ano ito. Mas matindi and well, I know it’s still the same. It is a crisis. Pero as far as we are concerned in government, wala pa naman. I hope it would not come. Ang takot lang namin dito --- the only fear is that the ISIS would move inner from the Sulu islands. It might travel to Mindanao. Ayan ang problema.

So kung hanggang doon lang, okay lang. We can manage it. We are fighting the terrorists, ‘yung Abu Sayyaf. I’m losing my soldiers. It is expected. Pero nawa-wallop naman sila. At I think my decision to send a --- an entire division there… Kasi noong --- sporadic pero there was no clear advantage for government.

We need men and as a matter of fact I have ordered Lorenzana to move faster sa creation ng mga bagong battalion sa army. We need --- I need

about… Ideally I need about 35. But I could --- I would be happy with 20 in the meantime.

Now, itong trabaho ng dalawa, si Secretary Año pati si Secretary Lorenzana and the rest. Magtanong kayo --- well it’s a repetition of a question before: “Bakit mo dinoble ‘yung sweldo ng pulis pati sa lahat?”

At sabi nila, “Takot ‘yan si Duterte sa military pati pulis baka i-coup d’etat siya.”

Sabi ko look, I was elected by the people. I was not elected by the military. I was not elected by the police. And I can go anytime. I mean, there’s no problem about stepping down from if --- if it’s for the good of the country. Walang problema sa akin. So dinoble ko ‘yan. Tingnan mo dito sa ano…

What were the orders to the police and military? They were there ordered to assist and they are deployed and they help. If there is a collapsed tunnel, the police and the army digs. Hindi pa nga ‘yung may [may-ari?] eh. If there’s a typhoon, the military and the police shall go there to meet the challenge --- challenges of the fury of nature.

If there’s anything --- anong bagay… If there’s an explosion, if there’s a… Dito malakas man ang NPA. Then we have the soldiers and police. Ma-ano ---

matindi ang… Bicol and… Well, Quezon medyo maganda na. But ang Bicol, we have a problem, a serious problem of insurgency.

Kasali ‘yan sa… That would be on one side. If you’re looking at the map of the Philippines, your right hand is the right --- it’s the east. Ang left hand mo is the west. Western side naman, you have the --- itong dalawang Negros, matindi.

Alam mo, sa experience natin, we were student of history. In places where there were --- ‘yung plantations that were given by the Spaniards to the so many families and --- a bit few, I would say. From Central Luzon to Negros. Matindi ang [crank?] ng utak ng insurgents. I’m still trying to fathom dito what makes them so passionate.

But itong sa Central Luzon pati itong sa Negros dalawa. May *[unclear]* ito kasi dumaan ng mga plantasyon. And those that were really there when the feudal system was thriving. For so many generations, sila ‘yung mga --- always been a tenant and a landlord. Ganun lang ‘yun for so many years.

So hanggang ngayon hindi sila nakontento at medyo --- they have transcended from the hate to --- hateful feudal system to a fury of… Hindi ko

na kasi masabi kung if it’s an ideology because alam nila wala na eh. Alam nilang mga NPA na --- ano bang pag-awayan niyo?

And yet my soldiers are dying. My policemen are dying. Pardon me if I say “my police” because they would look always to the president as their commander-in-chief. So when I address them in public, I say my “policeman.” And iisa lang ang nakatutok sa kanila eh. ‘Yung commander-in-chief lang nila. So parang isa ka lang. So ‘yan ang…

We are busy fighting still the insurgency problem of --- for a… It has been there. There’s the Hukbalahap. I was privileged to be a student of the Lava brothers, si Francisco pati ‘yung isa… Jesus. And Maria Sison also was my professor. Lapuz. So nakita ko anong --- except for Sison.

Meron akong… Ano? Sabihin ko na lang? Ha? Takot ka? *[laughter]*

Well, anyway, there can never be a statement that would end finality in everything that you say in public. I can only say that, “That’s it. I do not want to talk to you guys. Forget it.”

But you know when you are there and I am there and I have a… We --- three times we attempted to talk sense dito and it has always failed.

Ang ano ko ngayon --- kasi nga I cannot stop. Hindi ko pwedeng sabihin, “Ayaw ko na makipag-usap.” That is not a statement of a leader, of a president. Alam ko ‘yung mga military.

But you know you should understand that the quest for --- the longing for peace is always there. And not for the military and the police but for everybody. Kailangan --- the doors must be open always or the --- there must be at least one channel if everything closes na pwede mong pakiusapan.

Now, this is the first time that I will reveal it. I’m sending Secretary Bello. Komunista naman talaga ito siya eh. So he should go there. Talk to them and… My… I cannot --- I cannot talk about it basta he… I’m sending him back to Sison and talk to him about… Malaman lang ninyo ‘yan pagka --- pagdating ng panahon.

If he agrees, ito ang sabi --- sabi ko last card. When I say my last card is --- my time is running out. So kayong mga left, Bebot, ako, Joey.

Noon, ngayon hindi na. Maligaya ka na eh. So… We were the group. Do you know that kami lang ang --- 10 of us voted for Arroyo during the speakership fight? When we were congressmen in the 11th Congress. Kami lang. Kasama ba tayo? Hindi na ‘no? Yeah… Hindi. 11th Congress.

Kami. Kami, ako, sila Etta Rosales. ‘Yung mga kasama kong mga komunista noon ‘yung mga kaaway ko ngayon. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. Sabi --- sabi ko ganito ‘yan, Joey eh. When I was mayor, I was really traversing the ideological lines. Ako ‘yung pumupunta ng bukid. Alam ng military. Alam nila lahat dito. They were at one time or [another?] assigned in Mindanao.

Ako ‘yung pumapasok sa gubat, kinukuha ko ‘yung mga sundalo, nabihag. And I also accept ‘yung nahuli. Binibigay nila sa akin after. Huwag na lang ninyong… It’s useless to put them in prison diyan. Give it to me and I will just take care of him. Binibigyan ko ng trabaho city hall. Those were the things na…

Actually, let me put it brutally. Pang-politika lang ‘yun. ‘Yung para makapasok ka sa bukid, you are good to everybody. Eh ganun ang politika eh. But when I became President, the rules were changed. I could not talk to them even privately because that is not good for a president. Papatayin ka ng military mo.

So ako sabi ko, I’m no longer the Mayor Duterte that you knew. Kayo na lang ni Inday maglaro. Ang problema kay Inday hindi mo makausap ‘yun kay colonel sa… Ano bang ranggo ni Inday? [Careful?] Ah lieutenant

colonel. Lieutenant colonel eh.

So ang naiwan si Baste. Ang talent naman ng mga anak ko --- this is not for pagyayabang. But ang talent naman ng anak ng Baste na ‘yan babae lang. Walang iba. From what ---- from a distance ‘yung ano niya pang ---

pangbabae lang talaga. Pangligaw lang.

So sabi ko sa kanila I… They cannot talk to Inday. Si Inday is fiercely anti-communist talaga. The rules have changed since then. Sabi ko I cannot… When I talk, I talk as president and the interest of the Filipino people must be the utmost…

Ito namang komunista hindi naman ito maging utmost of importance. Wala na ‘yan sila eh. We’re just being nice to them. But ‘yung killing of kapwa mo Pilipino ayaw ko. Pero kung… Wala --- this…

Alam mo the last time was 19 --- 53 years ago. Nandiyan kami sa Intramuros. We were listening to Sison. It was really a rabble-rouser. Kaya lang bata ka pa. Especially if you are migrants to a new land. When you say migrants, ‘yung migrants na pumunta, you seek the greener pasture of a place.

Just to... Para maintindihan ninyo. Gutom na ba kayo, Chiz? Mag-senyas ka lang ha.

‘Yung --- 'yung malakas 'yung ano 'yung… 'Yung --- you go to a greener pasture. 'Yung sana maganda ang buhay. You know, these Americans... Well, that was the first reason actually because they could not recruit natives there. Mostly Muslims, Moro.

Actually, ang tawag nila Moros --- Moro. Hindi nila mapa-trabaho. Because at the same time, nakikita ng mga Moro na they have this chaplain, they have this chapel, then they...

If you are not a Maranao, Maguindanao, Iranun, Sama, Kagan or Tausug. Itong sila --- si Salapuddin, si… Itong isang --- Yakan tribe. Tsaka may isa pa. Itong...

If do you --- if you do not speak those dialects, definitely you are not from Mindanao. Kung Bisaya ka, Tagalog ka, you are a descendant of the migrants that went to Mindanao because the Americans said, "Go to Mindanao because it is the land of promise."

Actually, ang p\*\*... Ang ibig lang sabihin wala silang trabahante. Ayaw ng mga Moro eh. So nag-import sila. But they had to go into a sloganeering. And that was “Go to Mindanao because it was a land of promise.” You went there with nothing. Hindi mo malaman kung saan ka. There was no bureau of land. So where was the land?

And my father, a lawyer at that, hindi niya alam kung papaano rin. So we had to build a house on a parang swampland. Pagatpatan sa amin 'yan, Bisaya. In English, it would be wetlands. 'Yung wetland. So… And where the Ateneo de Davao is now. Sa likod niyan noon. Only to...

Do you know what’s the tragedy? Ganito 'yan eh. They opened Mindanao but when they started to give lands, ‘yung mga cadastral noon na mga… When they started to, itong mga homestead, wala namang… Not fault of anybody, I suppose. But the only people or the only crowd who knew about that they were cutting Mindanao into pieces for the --- whoever wanted it --- 'yung mga taga-Maynila.

That is why itong mga Garcia, they are not from there. Sila Nonoy. Ano 'yan sila, they were the first government personnel that were assigned there. Kaya they were awarded. Wala namang… No fault of theirs. But the entire San Pedro, entire --- kanila 'yan. Ang Claveria kanila Nograles because sila 'yung mga anak ng mga tatay nila, mga empleyado noon ng goberyno.

Hindi ko sinasabing mahirap, but it was parlayed maybe to the powerful here at Manila at that time. So, nabigay lahat 'yan sa mga --- a few families. Congressman Garcia, ‘yang sila Congressman Nograles, kasi magpi-pinsan 'yan eh. 'Yun ang nangyari.

The goodies were given to the early settlers of the Tagalogs who went there to be government workers. Kaya pagdating ng migration na... Because they were given large tracts of… Gaya ng San Pedro, kagaya ng Claveria, if you have been to Davao. Kaga --- international airport, 'yung mga Bangoy. Kanila lahat 'yan eh.

You could count the families by the fingers of your hands who work on the control of the lands there. And every election, the political power would always go to them as a clout, as a group, and with a clout kasi kanila ang lahat ang lupa.

'Yung mga taga-Davao ang nakakilala. I don't know. The chief of staff is from Davao. Migrant ba rin ba kayo doon Clement? Kami --- kami ‘yung mga migrants so 'yung walang ano... Cebu naman ang tatay ko.

My mother is the... Ito kasing article about na hindi ako Muslim. It's my mother. It's not --- my father has nothing to do with being a Maranao. Bisaya 'yan eh. Ang nanay ko ang tatay niya, lolo ko, Intsik. Ang lola ko ang Maranao. Ang nanay ko ang mestiza, Maranao.

Eh may article akong nakita that... Why should I pretend my --- what about my lineage? Ang nanay ko --- nagkamali sila eh. That's what you get if you would begin to dig in to the history, tapos you rely on tsismis. It's my mother who is the --- I never said it was my father. The Duterte is a familiar family name in Cebu. So, so much for that.

Itong insurgency problem will always be with us. I think that I have to congratulate you for a job well done, the local officials. Like I was listening to you for almost 30 minutes siguro talking about the situation here on TV. Joey…

You had a good report but I said I had the overview taken from the above. Sa all --- sa lahat. So, I had a series of... 'Yun. And I have a good team dito sa gobyerno. I can assure you that they’re all --- hindi naman ano. But they are good, they are not corrupt, and they are well-versed.

Now, let me explain, why is it that --- na halos lahat sige ako salute. Pati kanina malapit akong mag-salute sa komunista. Si Bautista 'yang nag-salute sa akin. He used to be the CO. Commander ng Army. Then he became... Army ka lang 'no?

Bakit karamihan? I don't know if you have noticed. Alam mo, sa isang... The Cabinet is just like this. Nandito kami mga halos civilians, we group together. Kaharap namin 'yan sila puro military. Sila Secretary Año, Bautista, lahat.

They number about --- how many of you sa military are there? Nine? Marami na eh. Pwede na kayong mag-coup d'état. *[laughter]*

Bakit ako --- noon pa tayo. Chiz, matagal ka na sa gobyerno. Kaming… Without really --- and no offense intended to anybody especially to the

government workers and the bureaucracy. Meron akong --- puro civilian halos but you can hardly get to move them very fast.

At kung ang civilian papunta --- ‘pag nagpunta sa secretary,

nagpunta diyan sa bureau, at doon sa bureau it gets stalled then you have to send somebody where the papers are. It takes time.

Hindi gaya ng military, for as long as they are assured that you are --- what you are ordering them to do is legal, walang problema. Susunod. At sabihin mo, "Bilisan mo." At ‘di talagang…

Well, Chiz, if you --- huwag mo ilagay lahat sa civilian. Walang mangyari. I-mix mo kasi talagang... At saka debatehin ka pa. 'Yan ang ayaw ko sa lahat. 'Yung --- ang secretary magpunta doon sa opisina kasi sabi nitong director na ito. Tapos 'yung director magsagutan kayo, mag-debate kayo. Anak ka ng p\*…

Wala akong panahon na ganun. Eh itong military 'pag sinabi mo na --- hindi man magsabi, "Legal ba 'yan?" Sabi… Of course it's legal. Why would I order you to do an illegal thing? You just obey. Bakit magtanong-tanong ng legal, illegal? Why would I send you to prison?

‘Yung military kasi... Kita mo 'yung Boracay. Eh sabi ko kay Secretary Año, kay Secretary Cimatu, "Linisan niyo." Si Roy naman... Tama 'yung sinabi ni ano eh, halos karamihan kaibigan ko military kasi dumaan 'yan sila lahat. Even Secretary Año.

Sa lahat ng mga ano, ang ‘di ko masyado ka-ano, si Secretary Año. He cannot --- he can never be a close friend to you. Maski sa inyo, sabihin ko. Why? Laki ito ng intelligence. Hindi ito nagsasalita. Nangingiti lang tapos magbantay kung ano ang mali mo. Na --- laking intelligence eh. Hindi gaya nung iba na na-assign, na-deploy ng...

Delfin Lorenzana was… I was a mayor, he was just a --- [like?] colonel assigned to Davao City. He brought the second regiment ng Scout Rangers and I was there. And we became good friends.

I used to eat in their camp. Whenever I am in the bukid, I usually land sa kampo niya para mag-chat-chat. Kaya kilala ko sila lahat. Tsaka mabait, mabait ‘tong mga 'to. Wala itong mga... Except for a few, may mga hangin. Karamihan mahangin, pulis.

Ayan. Kay... Kaya… Saan naman 'yung RD dito? Si ano. Where are you? RD ka? Ikaw 'yung RD?

Huwag muna. Hintayin ko na lang mag-ano ka, mag-general ka. Ikaw na lang. Wala munang chief PNP. We will wait for you. Make sure to perform well so that you'll be, you know, mas mabilis ang promotion mo. Baka maabutan mo pa ako then we can talk things over.

Hindi ano --- ang problema kasi, maski si… Alam ninyo. Alam niyo 'yan lahat. Basta pulis utusan mo. "Sir.” Pag-alis, “Sige, puntahan na ninyo." "Sir." "Ano? Puntahan mo doon sa..." "Yes, sir… Sir." P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. "Sir, 'yung baon sir. Eh magastos doon." Army, utusan mo walang pera, maglakad 'yan. Pulis? Aysus.

You know, I have been mayor of Davao City for 23 years. I never lost an election there hanggang presidente. Memorize ko 'yang pulis. Eh fiscal ako noon.

May question ako, "You were the investigating police officer? Yes?” “Correct?" "So, how many hours did you --- did it take for you to reach the place?" "Sir, kawawa kami, sir. Kaawa talaga walang... Kaawa 'yung tropa, sir." "Bakit?"

"Isang araw at kalahati sir, naglakad pa kami." [T\*\*\* i\*\*?] Ang army doon isang buwan sa bukid p\*\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. Diyan sa foxhole. Totoo 'yan. 'Yang mga Army, nandiyan 'yan sa foxhole. Tag-three months ‘yan ma-assign diyan.

Kaya pagbaba 'yan dito konting maka-inom ng Ginebra, brrrrrrtttt. Ganun ‘yan. Memorize ko 'yang mga 'yan. Police, “Sir.”

Kaya 'yung pulis ha, utusan mo. Nag-capsize ang bangka ng y\*\*\* kasi nag...

Actually nung... Sabi kaagad nung team leader, ito 'yung anak niya abogado na ngayon. Tingnan mo. Sabi nila… 'Di nahulog 'yung mga armalite nila. “Sabihin mo lang walang na-recover. Sabihin mo nawala." "Nawala sir, 'di hayaan na lang." "Hindi kunin ninyo ulit. Report mo nawala. 'Di ipagbili natin."

May isa rin ako. "So you were the investigating policeman?" "Yes, sir." "So you have your affidavit?" "Sir, I remember signing but I do not --- but I do not have the copy." Sabi ko, "Is it on file? On the records?" "Maybe sir." 'Di tiningnan ko... "Is this your affidavit?" "Yes, sir." "Your signature? These are all true?”

Ang sagot sa akin nila, "Sir, pwede ba kitang kausapin nang sandali?" So sabi niya --- na ‘yung pa-ganun na, "Sir, pwede ba kitang..." "Bakit?" "May sabihin lang ako, sir." "Your honor, one minute." Lapit ako sa tenga ng p\*\*\*\*\*

i\*\*. Ano sabihin mo? "Sir, anong sabihin ko, sir? 'Yung totoo --- totoo o 'yung sa affidavit?" P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*.

'Yan 'yung sabi ko na ang anak niya abogado na. He was a law student. He was a --- he was marunong, mahusay. Bihira ka makakita ng straight English. Magbasa naman ako minsan ng journal. “And there was a chase in the vicinity of ... But unfortunately the suspect was killed

dead." *[laughter]* P\*\*\*. “Tawagin mo nga 'yung... Bakit ka nag.... Naka-pasa

ka pagka-pulis?” "Yes, sir." T\*\*\*\* i\*\*. "And unfortunately the suspect was killed dead."

Well anyway, so much for tsismis. Meron akong mga ano but I think it would not be good to --- it will not be the proper time. Maybe it would leave a bad taste if I talk about it now but this can explode and it could be... Alam na ninyo ‘to. I think you have an inkling of what it is.

Pati kung magsabi si Chiz pati si Joey, sabi ko magsalita ako. This is not --- this is the Filipino people. This is not anything that I would go to war just for that. This is something which I said I am prepared... Let me --- let me --- let me lay the foundation of my...

I am prepared to go down as President and self-destruct. Wala akong ano diyan. I'll tell you... Gusto mong marinig?

Guys, if you are hungry, you can leave. Just ask the... Tutal itong military wala man kain-kain ito. I'll just ask them to stay for a while because I will talk to them after.

This has something to do, Chiz sa… Nandito sa --- nandoon si Tito. Sabi ko,

"Senate President, you listen. I’m going to tell you a story." Nagduda ako nito noong nagkaroon ng water crisis sometime in April.

Walang ligo 'yung mga tao. Naghirap talaga. But somebody told me na may tubig. Kaya sabi ko, "Sigurado ka?" Sabi niya, "Sigurado ako sir." Taga-gobyerno.

Sabi ko... So I had to make sure. Tinawagan ko ang MWS --- MWSS. "Walang tubig." "Sir, walang tubig, sir. Walang --- wala’y naga-agas." There's no water flowing 'yung Bisaya niyan.

Tapos sabi ko --- I took a gamble. Tinawagan ko na. Sabi ko, “P\*\*\*\*\*i\*\* ninyo. Eh kung may tubig sabi ng taga-gobyerno bakit di ko paniwalaan? P\*\*\*\*\*i\*\* ninyo. 'Pag bukas, pagdating ko ‘pag walang naka --- tubig na lumalabas, p\*\*\*\*\* i... Kumuton ko na inyong nawong.” Kumuton is ganunin mo. Lamutak --- lamutakin ko 'yung mukha ninyo 'yan isa-isa.

And I was really dead set in doing it. Merong mapapahiya. Pagdating ko may tubig na ang p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* niya. So, bakit? So para magtanong-tanong 'yan sila sa inyo. That started my curiosity. Anong racket ito na pa --- tiisin mo ang Pilipino na walang tubig? Ang mga babae nating mangamoy na, wala ng maglapit sa… Na-l\*\*\*\* talaga ako nitong p\*\*\*\* i\*\*. Sabi ko, "Mga y\*\*\* kayo."

May tubig. So, that started my quest for why. Ang nangyari nito, there's a contract. It was signed palabas na si Cory --- Ramos and it traverses to two administration. Kay Ramos pati kay [Gloria?]. I am not saying that they are

guilty of something. No, no. Far from... I'm just saying --- just stating to you the truth.

Ang contract with Manila Gas --- I suppose that --- ah Manila Water --- I suppose that's its the same with Maynilad because ito 'yang western part of the Manila went to Manila Gas, Ayala. Dito kay Pangilinan ang sa eastern side.

Ang --- masakit talaga 'to. Tingnan mo, sabihin ko sa’yo masakit talaga. And you can kill somebody for it. Ang contract, the water there was not --- in the contract itself --- the water, a natural resource of any country --- ang nakalagay doon it would be treated as a commodity. Itong Maynilad pati itong Manila Water, distributor ito sila. Atin 'yang tubig. That is part of the patrimony of the nation.

Ngayon, they entered into a contract. I do not know who was the lawyer kaya ko binuko si Frank eh. Tapos may text siya kagabi, sabi niya, "You tell Rody I am not a part of it."

Kasi I remember when I started to --- tatanong-tanong na ako about water. Sabi niya… I don't know but I'm sure Drilon said this, "Sabihin mo kay Rody magdahan-dahan siya because we might end up paying billions in damages."

Kaya sinagot ko siya, Senator [Drilon?], how dare to you --- to commit to --- you telling me I cannot review the contracts?" I will review --- I will go on and view the contract because I have to know what is --- what's screwing the people here. Bakit may tubig tapos wala, may tubig. Somebody must be... Mas grabe pa sa presidente.

Alam mo in that contract, nabasa mo --- our country surrendered everything to Manila Water and to Maynilad. Everything, including the sovereignty of...

Kasi nakalagay doon, interpreting this contract… Hindi nga Republic of the Philippines eh.

Sabi lang, “The Philippine government shall see to it that the operation, sa distribution will be secured, blah-blah-blah. And any interruption caused by

the --- by a disturbance of government and the corresponding loss that would be created out of a --- a malfunction or whatever, damage to their..."

Sila ang distributor eh. Magbayad tayo, any loss or the losses that they will incur, babayaran natin. Anak ka ng... Kung malugi sila, attributable to the government. What animal is that? It is not stated in the contract. Magbayad tayo. We pay. Malugi sila for ano… And that contract was in 1997. It was renewed in --- ah ’93 --- then it was renewed very much earlier in ‘19 ---

2009. Long --- long before the… Hindi pa mag-expire. About seven years before, ni-renew na nila at they were granted an extension sa panahon ni Gloria.

Ngayon ito, ang rates. They control the rates. It's --- it is not with us. At 'yung CIF nila, corporate income tax ipapasa nila to the consumers. Bilib naman talaga ako sa mga bituka nito.

Tapos meron pa. Itong pag-increase, itong increase sa prices. We have not -- - nothing there. Kung gusto nila i-increase, increase. Kung gusto nila i-decrease, decrease. Anak ka ng...

We --- yeah, that's the word. Any interference, that's the word, any interference by government that would create an aberration sa kanilang ano, even if it's a road right of way, if it’s --- if I have to dig there because it is needed by the infrastructure of the country, tapos nabutas mo 'yan, you will pay. Anak --- sabi ko hindi na talaga ito --- hindi ko ito masikmura.

Meron pa. All in favor, basta 'yan isa. We have lost the sovereignty.

We bargained it away. Gusto kong malaman kung sino 'yung mga abogado. Pero ako nagduda ako eh. But he sent a text to Bingbong, binasa niya kagabi sa akin.

Sabi doon, “Sabihin mo kay Rody wala akong --- wala na ako sa ACCRA ‘yung panahon na ‘yon.” ACCRA is a law office. But I am not saying that ACCRA is involved. At this… Hindi mo man malaman kung sino ‘yung abogado. Sisilipin ko muna talaga kung… ‘Yun ang ano…

They have the control of the water and ‘yun ‘yung… It will end ang contract nila 2037 ang extension. Sabi ko ito --- sabi ko sa ano sa Cabinet, kami, sabi ko siyempre --- siyempre nagalit ako. Sabi ko p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* kalokohan ‘to. So sabi ko --- because pagka nalugi sila, hindi tayo magbayad.

Now, we paid earlier three million --- three billion sa ano --- anong interruption ‘yun? Basta medyo nalugi sila bayad tayo three billion. Ngayon na naman sa panahon ko may seven billion. Sabi ko, p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* ninyo. F\*\*\* you. Sabi na ano, we will face the --- para… Alam mo kasi, maging pariah ka sa international.

Alam mo itong mga --- itong mga mayaman sa Indonesia, Malaysia, Pilipinas, parang nag-corpo ‘yan sila. Only not individually but are corporations. They have the interlocking directors dito pati doon. Ah mahirap ‘yan. Ako sabi ko mahirap ‘yan.

Meron pang dalawa na --- escaped my mind sa ka-busy ko. But there’s another one. Sa rates, ‘yung losses, we have to bear it, we have to pay for the losses. Then ‘yung income tax nila. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* tayo ang magbayad. Wala --- wala akong nakitang p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*\*\* kahiyaan na *[unclear]*.

Ikaw na ang magbabayad sa kita nila, ikaw pa ang… Wala kang choice sa rates. Sabi ko, alam mo if you look at the law, maybe mali ako. But this is a classic case of economic plunder.

Wala lang nakasilip nito eh. Because you know… I can assume that money really talks. Sabihin ni Ayala, “Wala.” Huwag mo akong bolahin l\*\*\*\* ka, pati kayo. Don’t f\*\*\* with me. I know you. Nilaro ninyo ‘yung Pilipino sa pera. Sabi ko, I will pursue this. If this is the only thing that I can achieve in this --- in my administration, ito na lang. Bibirahin ko talaga economic plunder.

Nakita mo ‘yung statement --- statement nila ngayon? “We are ready to talk to the administration, the incumbent… That this happened not during their time. Now probably they might have --- they might have a little na because it was not during their time that this contract was signed.”

Pero economic sabotage ‘yan. Ang problema nito ‘adre, how do we recover? Ito pang isa. ‘Yang sa bill ninyo, all of you. Ah ito isa, nakuha ko na, I remember now.

Ang --- ang itong billing natin meron diyan for --- ‘yung treatment of water. May --- may sinisingit kayo water treatment fees. Alam ba ninyo ni kahit isang boteng Creolin, walang binuhos ‘yan para sa tubig, para luminis kay hindi na bale tayo mamatay?

And to think --- kanina sabi nila na ano --- ‘yung abogado nila. Sabi niya: Sabihin mo naman kay Rody, tutal pag-usapan na lang. East to west pinaghati. Tutal ito lang naman ang tinamaan. We can always you know, adjust the rates. Ganun, ‘yung mga --- paano na ‘yung… Para kang g\*\*\*. Now we can probably over the years we can reduce o tapos babawiin.

Sabi ko, how can that be? How many years na? Sasabihin mo ang tinamaan lang ang west pati ang east sa Maynila, Metro Manila. I said, do not f\*\*\* me. When we paid for your corporate income tax --- kasi sinalo ng ano eh. So kung sinalo natin, pera natin ang binayad. It is as if…

Ngayon, ang pera ‘yan hindi lang pera ng Metro Manila nor of the east or of the west. It is money of the entire Republic of the Philippines. Kaya sila ang constituents ko. Pera ng gobyerno ‘yang ibinayad namin sa income tax ninyo. How can it be now na sasabihin mo Maynila lang ang tinamaan?

Because when we --- we paid for your taxes, tinamaan lahat kami. Sabi ko, well there’s always a time for everything. The Bible says, there is a time to be comfortable with what you have --- stolen money. There is a time to wallow in filth, in riches. But there is always a time for reckoning. To explain to the people how it came about.

Talagang yayariin ko sila dito. And you know, the lawyers, they knew that when they were drafting the contract it was actually --- lahat ng provision at that time and until now. At that time and now, present, they knew that it was all in a violation of law.

A diminution of our sovereignty, that we have to pay for their losses. That ---

t\*\*\* i\*\*. That’s anti-graft. Kaya ‘pag sabay-sabayin mo. That the money that we have to absorb, their --- we have to pay for their income tax.

At the beginning ‘adre, puro man --- abogado man tayo dito. Right at the start it was a contract that was all in contravention of the anti-graft law. So, it could be… Now, over a period of time that’s plunder. Kung isa, dalawa, okay lang. Isa, dalawa transaction, could not be ganun kalaki even if it is not in magnitude.

But over a period of time, for so many years, tapos ngayon kolektahan ako ng seven million. Sabi ko… Alam mo sa *[unclear]* ha. Maniwala ka. Kasi nga I’m not satisfied. I’m really pissed off with the services of the --- itong cellphone.

They --- we were harping on a new player. Kay a new player --- gusto ng new player bigyan sila ng mga incentives. Ang [hinihingi?] nila ‘yung… Alam mo itong airwaves, it’s a mystery eh. There’s always that line that is very good.

So ‘yang airwaves, it is given by government free. Hindi ko rin alam ‘yan until na dumating sa akin. Ngayon, sabi ko na, na itong sila Ayala pati si --- same player, same players --- si Pangilinan, ‘o same player.

Sabi ko, isauli ninyo ‘yung airwaves. Alam mo ang sagot sa akin? Doon kami, nandoon kami sa --- sa Cabinet meeting. Pabayarin daw ako, sabi ni Secretary Rio ng [DICT]. Sabi niya magbayad daw ako ng two billion. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*.

Sabi ko kay --- nagalit ako kay Rio. Tumindig ako siguro. Tawagan mo ‘yang p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*\*\* l\*\*\*\*\*\* Ayala pati… Isauli nila ‘yan. Bigyan ko sila ng 48 hours, two days. ‘Pag hindi nila sinauli ang p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* pupuntahan ko sila sa opisina. Ako ang pupunta sa opisina nila. Kinabukasan, maagang-maaga, si Bong tawag, “Sir, isauli daw nila.” Itong… T\*\*\* i\*\*\*\* bayan na ‘to.

Ewan ko lang kung sinong susunod na presidente nito. Marami siyang problema. Pero ito, tatapusin ko ‘to. Tatapusin ko talaga itong dalawa. Kung

ito ma --- kung hindi ko ito matapos sa magandang paraan, i-timingin (timing) ko na lang diyan sa opisina nila. I-lock ko tapos sunugin ko ‘yung building nila. Buhusan ko. Oo, I will lock the… Madali lang man ‘yan. And so? I go to prison. Katanda-tanda ko na.

You know, at my age, death is the least of my concern. You do not ask me na, “Are you well? Are you in good health?” Ako sagot ko, “’Adre, may tatay ka ba, nanay ka? Noong 74 sila, okay sila?” Kay ako raw may sakit na ganun. Talagang may sakit ako. May sakit ako kay ang dibdib ko…

Pero ito, hindi ko sila papalusutin. Hindi ko sila papalusutin. Dalhin ko ito sa Congress.

You know, I have to talk to the Filipino people. Hindi nila pinu-publish eh. Selected lang. Hindi napu-publish. Hindi nalalagay sa news. Wala. Eh kino-control nila ‘yung damage.

Tapos ako naman hindi nagpapa-importansya but maybe because I --- I was the one who was really angry and also because I’m the number one worker of government. Sige sila ano padala kung sino ang makausap.

Sabi ko makausap --- ang maka… Ang pwede lang makiusap sa akin Joey Salceda. Puntahan ninyo sa Bicol. Sige. Mga g\*\*\* itong p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*\*\* ‘to. Kaya ito sabi ko yayariin ko ito sila. ‘Pag dinemanda nila tayo diyan sa se… Hindi magbayad ng seven million. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. L\*\*\*\* kayo. Ipakain ko ‘yang pera sa kanila. Totoo. ‘Yan pa naman ang…

Hindi ako nagbibiro kasi matapang lang ako kay marami man akong pulis noon. Hindi talaga ako matapang. Tapang-tapangan lang. Pero ‘yung lahat na sa Davao noon…

Kita mo ‘yung dala-dala ng fake title? ‘Yung nasa TV? Nahuli ako ng… Naga-benta ng --- nagbebenta ng l\*\*\*\*\*\* peke na titulo. ‘Yung isang envelope niya, pinakain ko talaga sa kanya lahat. “Kainin mo. Kainin mo lahat.” Siguro isang --- isang gallon na tubig ang na… Eh kasi ma --- laminated ‘yung pina-Xerox niya eh.

Mag-kopya ka. Pina-kopya niya, pinakita niya sa mga tao. Correct ‘yung decision. Ang pinalitan niya ‘yung par --- marunong eh. Bright ang g\*\*\*.

Sabi ko, “Kainin mo ‘yan. ‘Pag hindi, patayin kita dito. Sabi ko, “Walang mag-reklamo. Ikaw? Sinong mag-reklamo sa iyo? Asawa mo? Anak mo? P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* itapon ko sila sa… Sila ang isunod ko.” Sabi ko patayin ko. Sabi ko, “’Pag hindi niya naubos, patayin mo ‘yan.” P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* alas dose na sige pa rin usap (chew) doon. K\*\*\* i\*\* mo.

Kagaya noong umikot kasi raw pabili ng position sa revolutionary government. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. Magalit si Lorenzana niyan. Maisahan mo pa. Ikaw mauna ka kay Lorenzana mag --- magpabili ng position sa…

Kaya sabi ko, “Hulihin mo nga ‘yang p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*\*\* ‘yan.” Sabagay wala man akong pera pagdating. Wala --- hindi man talaga ako nagdadala ng pera. *[unclear]* ito…

‘Yung security, taga-PSG. “Pera, bigyan mo ko pera. Contribute kayo. Ipalagay ko diyan.” Tapos sabi nung isa, “Gusto mo kape to go with it?” Sabi ko, “Kape. ‘Yung mainit. Mainit talaga.” Pagdating ng kape, giganun ko sa kamay. Mainit nga...

“Sige. Inumin mo muna ‘yang kape.” Sabi niya, “Sir, mainit pa masyado ‘yan sir.” “Kita mo umusok g\*\*\* ka pala eh. Sige, kainin mo. Inumin mo. Inumin mo… L\*\*\*\* ka. Pumili ka. Talian kita ng handcuff ngayon ipatapon kita

diyan…” Diyan lang man sa Pasig ‘yung --- Malago. Oo, ‘yung ano diyan.

“Kainin mo.” Ah kain lahat.

‘Tong isang guwardiya na PSG ‘pag --- ‘yung ginanun niya lahat. May coin. Sila… Pati ‘yung coin. Sabi ko, “’Yan ang unahin mo. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* ka. ‘Yan ang unahin mo. L\*\*\*\* ka.” Sabi niya, “Sir, diabetic pa naman ako sir tapos mag -

* magbara ‘yan sa tiyan ko.” “Oo, talaga.” “Ma-operahan ako sir. Diabetic ako sir baka ‘di na magaling.” “Ah hindi, maniwala ka. Anong klaseng doctor ‘yan mag-opera-opera na hindi ka magaling? Kainin mo. P\*\*\*… Sabayan mo ng tubig. Pasok ‘yan.” ‘Yan, ‘yan…

’Pag magharap tayo… Magdala na lang kayo ‘yung bagong --- ‘yung luma na ano, tag-50 meron pa. Kay ‘yung mga bago laminated parang pitik mo parang laminated na. ‘Yung isa g\*\*\* sige Xerox-Xerox. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* Xerox laminated. Sige ka. Da.

Kasi sinabi ko sa kanya, “Umalis ka dito sa Davao. ‘Pag nakita kita dito…” Eh Sabado ‘yun… “’Pag nakita pa kita dito, sunod semana, bantay ka sa akin.” Tumawag man ang pulis. “Sir, andito pa sir.” Ay p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. Pick upin (up) mo.

Ngayon, ‘yung pinakain ko na… Itong ABS --- itong ABS talaga… Nakahawak pero in-on (on) ‘yung camera ‘di nakuha. Kaya naga-yango. Nagaya --- ‘yang kain. Nandiyan si Etta Rosales noon, ‘yung Magandang Gabi Bayan. Eh ‘di habang ano…

“Ms. Etta Rosales, congressman… Ano ba itong ginawa ni --- itong ni Mayor Duterte? Tingin mo?” “Oh, that’s a violation of the human rights blah blah blah blah blah.” Tapos ipinalo ako ng asawa ko ng unan. “’Yan o, kalokohan mo. Tingnan mo na ngayon.”

Sabi ko, “Hayaan mo. T\*\*\* i\*\*.” Human rights. Human rights mag-sige ka kalokohan diyan, human rights. Kaya mag-demanda lang kayo.

Tapos noon. ‘Di ba mag --- may rating? “Sang-ayon ba kayo sa ginawa ni Mayor Duterte ng Davao? Pinakain ng papel.” Ninety-seven. O, si Etta…

Kaya --- istorya… Hindi ako nagyayabang. Kinu-kwento ko lang ‘yan pero ngipin ko naga-kagot. Kasi galit talaga ako. At huwag kayong magtawag-tawag o lapit-lapit sa akin. P\*\*\* bukas i-file ko ‘yan diretso na.

You know what, if I file a case, I’ll just state there that they have been in operation for so --- the so many years. Now all of the contracts there, all of the provisions were complied with. ‘Pag nag-comply --- kinomply (comply) na ‘yun lahat ‘yung --- ‘yung increases. Pasok na ang anti-graft [court?] niyan.

So ‘yun na lang ang --- that’s my evidence. I’ll just execute an affidavit probably one of the guys there sa SolGen. File na. Para sa akin ‘yun na. I could establish a prima facie case.

Then I’ll file plunder. Ang plunder, ‘adre, Mr. Ayala, no bail ‘yan. ‘Pag gusto ko makita na bilyonaryo na makulong. Lahat ng nakulong puro NPA lang, mahirap lang. Ito na nga eh. Nakikipag-away nga dahil ninanakaw ‘yung pera ng Pilipinas eh.

Eh ito namang NPA g\*\*\* galit sila kay nawawala ‘yung pera. Ang pinapatay naman ‘yung mga tao na walang kasalanan. Tumahimik ka. Huminto na kayo. You are punishing the wrong person. Taga-bukid, ‘yung mga farmers mag-neutral, ayaw magkampi sa inyo, pinapatay ninyo. Anong klase? Kung galit kayo sa mga mayaman, ‘yung mga ganun.

Bebot lang, Bello. ‘Yang kasama ninyo wala ring pera kasi sige palit ng asawa. Kaya ganun. Eh totoo man. Kung magkita kami, sabi ko, “Bot, ito ‘yung

asawa ko.” Sabi niya, “Ito ang akin, mas bata.” ‘Pag sunod namin na kita, “O, Bot, matanda naman lagi masyado ‘yan?” P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. Huwag mo sabihin one year time na…

So that’s a --- two disasters. The one, umalis na. We have a disaster coming up but that disaster is… I’m sure --- and nandito naman ‘yung mga --- Joey and… So they will not… We will not allow it. I am sure. My military will not allow it. My police will not allow it. ‘Yan ang masiguro ninyo.

Kaya ayusin nilang mabuti kasi… Ako, I’m not making any threats. ‘Yang martial law-martial law, wala ‘yan. Kalokohan ‘yan. Bugok lang na presidente maggamit niyan. It’s an overused, abused word, martial law. And even its practice.

So is there anything that you’d want to…? Chiz, you want to say something?

Joey? Wala? Anybody?

Well, sorry for the long narrative but I said it’s two disasters. One, lumabas. May isa tayo na…

Yes. Ay sige, governor. Sorry.

**ALBAY GOV. AL FRANCIS BICHARA:** Can we consider the cutting of treesalong the road? Because we have so much trouble every time there’s a calamity. *[unclear]* Tapos ngayon tamaan ‘yan ng poste ng

kuryente *[unclear] we have to remove them eh. [unclear]* the obstruction of the… *[unclear]*

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Yes. Yes.

**GOV. BICHARA:** *[unclear]*

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** 'Yung mobility ninyo. So…

**GOV. BICHARA:** *[unclear]*

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** So what's the problem? What's the problem, sir?

**GOV. BICHARA:** You should discuss this with Secretary Cimatu to allow us toremove those trees.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Si ano ho, si...

**GOV. BICHARA:** Sa DENR, yeah. Kasi they want us to cut the trees therealong the roads, sir.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** No, I will --- I'll talk to him. But I'm sure si Roy is avery reasonable man. Madaling makuha ni Roy 'yan. I know him.

**GOV. BICHARA:** Because every year --- every year, ganun na nga angnangyayari. Isa pa, DENR also, sa foreshore, we should not allow them to stay there eh. Dapat may distansya. Kasi every time there's a typhoon, 'yun din ang customer namin sa evacuation center. It's the same people eh.

I think we should just start relocating them in a nearby place pero we should not allow them to be on the foreshore areas. And we need to enforce this.

Look at the other --- in other countries. Sa foreshore walang nakatira eh.

They stay on the other side eh.

Eh dito, ang hirap eh. Right now, washed out sila. The next day, nagtayo uli ng mga bahay. So pagdating ng bagyo, ganun din ang mangyayari. So keep on repeating what's... Oo, kahit patay na tayo ganun din ang --- ganun pa rin ang mangyayari eh.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Why don’t--- is there anybody here representingDENR? Yes, can you --- can you respond to the governor?

**DENR USEC. RODOLFO GARCIA:** The --- that place is a foreshore ---foreshore area. Therefore, before any --- anything is built in that area, there has to be an --- a permission given to the establishment that's asking to build

in that particular area.

**GOV. BICHARA:** No, I’mnot referring to the resorts. Those are the fishingvessel, our fishing villages. Eh sila ang nawa-wash out eh 'pag may --- mataas ang surge eh. Ang storm surge 'pag mataas...

Gaya nun, just recently eh, maraming nasirang mga bahay eh, sa mga coastal villages because they’re... Malapit --- nasa loob na sila ng foreshore eh.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Yes, Secretary Año?

**DILG SEC. EDUARDO AÑO:** We can actually implement the "no build zone"observance. Meaning to say, 40 meters from the shoreline should be a no build zone. But we have to prepare the relocation sites of these affected families.

I think it's --- it is about time really to implement that because --- especially in the Eastern Seaboard where we are visited by at least, on the average, 16 to 20 typhoons a year.

It would be actually more economical if we relocate these families living within the 40 meters easement that’s along the shoreline. So it should be a holistic approach together with other agencies especially the NHA.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Sir, this would be as good as any other time to talkabout it. But ang NHA is --- ang NHA nandito ba? Mga ilang --- ilang bahay 'yan, sir?

**GOV. BICHARA:** Coastline?

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Oo. Maybe thousands?

**GOV. BICHARA:** Ang dami, thousands. Hundreds of thousands along thecoastline.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Hundreds?

**GOV. BICHARA:** Yeah, hundreds of thousands. But we can do this slowly.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Well…

**GOV. BICHARA:** Phasing.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** If it's hundred thousand, I can --- I can commitabout 2,000 but we have to look for a new site. Kasi kung pa-ganun, hindi na papayag ang NHA na still in the danger zone.

Kung magkakuha tayo, we will buy the land and we will erect the houses. I can commit to you if you can visit me or your --- just your representative. Or the NHA, you talk to the governor.

**NHA REGIONAL MANAGER ALBERT PERFECTO:** Yes, Mr. President.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** And bring the wherewithals to us. Pati 'yung kanya.

And we will talk about it. I'll call Escalada.

**REGIONAL MANAGER PERFECTO:** Yes, sir.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** I think bagong taon ito eh. So there’s---if there’snew budget coming in, we can always commit to build about mga 2,000 muna sir.

'Yung --- 'yung binibigay ko rin sa mga NPA. Kayong mga NPA, condo itong mga buang na ito. Pero mas malaki lang 'yung sa --- 'yung pareho ng ano pero 'yung sa sundalo talagang parang bahay. Ang NPA kasi kalaban bigyan pero maliit lang. Eh kalaban eh. Kung hindi, huwag ka huminto diyan. I'll commit 2,000.

**GOV. BICHARA:** Mr. President, how about the roads that we have to get ridof those trees along the roads? Can we do something about this?

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Again?

**GOV. BICHARA:** Along the highways...

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Yes.

**GOV. BICHARA:** There are a lot of trees. 'Pag may --- after a calamity, theroads become impassable. Natutumba 'yung mga kahoy. Nadadamay din 'yung mga poste ng kuryente. 'Yung isa, tinamaan 'yung linya, apat na poste ang bumangga dahil sa isang punong kahoy.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** DENR. Ang DENR?

**USEC. GARCIA:** Yes, sir.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Are you listening? Nakinig ka sa kanya, sir? Na 'yungkahoy na marami, pagka bagyo, natutumba 'yan. It stops the --- the energy 'yung ano tapos it causes an obstruction. So what the Governor simply means is that can we cut it to well in advance of a crisis? Well in advance sa...

**USEC. GARCIA:** Well in advance of any crisis sir. If it is --- I think if thegovernor can be able to reason out, give a good reason for us to cut the trees. Because that's a long distance sa --- a long --- a long length of road that is going to be affected. We need to get a very good reason for us to cut the trees.

**SORSOGON GOV. CHIZ ESCUDERO:** Mr. President if I may? Even underDENR rules, if the tree is considered as a hazard, not a nuisance, the national government, even the local government unit can, in the exercise of its police power under the general welfare clause, actually cut the tree.

In some cases, even without compensation because you’re not using the power of eminent domain. You’re using the police power of the state. And the DENR, Mr. President, actually it's just their job to keep on protecting the trees but when it starts to…

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Yes, I know. Kaya intindihan rin natin 'yung mandateng DENR to save us much for nature.

But ganito 'yan sir eh. The damage that it would cause, even if you want to save the trees, would be greater than its value of maintaining the trees there. At saka 'yung --- the… Sabihin mo na lang kay Roy na nag-usap na tayo dito.

Nandito na 'yung permit, kasi 'yan --- it's not because of you or the governor, it's because of my experience. Alam ng --- alam ng Cabinet na… Alam ni Roy na I only do it in days.

So pagka 'yun talagang it poses a hazard, especially if a tree is along the highway that is rotten or talagang napatutumba na, the principle initiated by Chiz Escudero is correct.

To prevent disaster. Public safety. If it imposes danger, public safety, and public order would be the rules to follow. A public order because it causes obstruction. And danger sa --- ‘yung public safety and --- or in other words, if you have to use a general term, public interest.

Public interest would suffer if you do not cut it well ahead of the time that you expect the disaster. I think the local government should be given a leeway.

Ang --- ang ano ko lang sir, na itong practice kasi ng ating gobyerno, itong… Ito alam ko na, narinig mo na ako eh. Itong the eternal travel of paper from one desk to another.

Talagang... I don't know but there's something wrong but I'm not ready to accuse anybody of anything. Local level na lang. Tutal hindi naman kailangan na si Roy diyan eh.

As long as it poses danger to public health, public sec --- public health because if you are hit or if there is an accident because of the obstruction, it becomes a public health issue because he will be brought to the hospital. He will have to spend. If he [don’t?] money, it's government’s worry.

So, public health, public order. The streets must be freed of obstruction and the mobility must be assured. Public health, public safety, and public order. 'Yan na lang ang ano na lang ninyo sir. 'Yun na lang ang parang gawain ninyong guideline.

And sabihin mo na lang kay Roy sabi ko... Kasi nga itong Bicol, itong lahat ng

* on the eastern seaboard from Isabela hanggang --- hanggang all the way to Mindanao, Surigao. Below Surigao wala na.

But inevitable 'yung kahoy sir eh. Matumba talaga because of... So if it is really near... Actually, there should be a distance from where the tree is to where... You can always calculate it by sight.

'Yun ang --- lalo na kung matagal na sir and --- aged not aged siguro. What’s the correct? Aged or aged? An aged tree. Dapat mga mayor pati governor na diyan.

**USEC. GARCIA:** Yes, sir. We'll take what Governor Escudero has said andwe'll look into that.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** Thank you, sir. Mr. President if I may, two more things.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Yes, you go ahead.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** When you initially began discussing the disaster here inthe Bicol region, you spoke about money. Actually, there is money available, Mr. President. Because in the 2019 budget, we inserted a fund for what we call parametric insurance.

We covered the entire eastern seaboard of the country. This was the model developed by the World Bank together with the GSIS and the National

Treasury. In fact, the fund is lodged in the National Treasurer. I just texted National Treasurer Lea and confirmed.

If it hits a certain level of intensity or a certain level of damage, it will automatically trigger a payout without any adjuster inspecting the amount of damage.

Perhaps Senator Bong Go can help us out in this because it's lodged in the budget. And as I am informed, it is still in the 2020 proposed budget. Para tumuloy-tuloy po. May coverage 'yung mga local goverment units at national government kung may bagyong tatama. Pero eastern seaboard lang po namin inilagay 'yun kasi 'yun ang madalas, tulad ng sinabi ni Secretary Año...

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** That was --- before you left Congress.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** I'm sorry, Mr. President?

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Is that a --- is that a provision that you have in thebudget before you left Congress?

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** Yes, Mr. President, which still applies because it's still the2019 budget that's still in effect.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** I have --- I have yet to sign the budget.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** No, the 2019 Mr. President. It’s in the…

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Ah, nandiyan na 'yun.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** Meron po. And secondly, Mr. President perhaps a lesson tobe learned from Tisoy. From day one, we were being informed by PAGASA that we should be wary about the high-risk area where the eye of the storm will hit.

Even in the presentation of OCD, they stated that it made landfall in Gubat, Sorsogon. But Gubat, Sorsogon Mr. President is not the worst hit among my municipalities in Sorsogon. Ang tinamaan ho nang malala 'yung nasa gilid nung mata.

Dahil 300 kilometers ‘yung lawak nung bagyo, ‘yung mata po malawak din. ‘Yung tinamaan po ng mata ng bagyo may pahinga po kami ng dalawang oras.

Ang Gubat, ang Prieto Diaz, ang Sorsogon City nagpahinga po ‘yun ng dalawang oras. Pero ‘yung nasa gilid ng mata nung bagyo, ‘yun po ang binayo ng mga 10 hanggang 12 oras.

Kaya po ‘yung pinaka-damaged namin na municipality hindi po ‘yung ni-landingan (landing) nung bagyo, kung hindi, ‘yung mga nasa gilid nung ni-landingan (landing) ng bagyo na ‘yung lakas naman po nung ulan at hangin ay kasing lakas din naman po nung nasa unahan ng mata eh.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** If it’s a sore eyes, it is a sore eyes.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** Agreed, Mr. President.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** It affects the whole of the…

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** So perhaps warning --- warning signals. Can we alsoinclude that possibility? Because this is the first time I think that it happened. Even in the past it’s always the eye of the storm that’s being warned against.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** I-expand ninyo. Make allowances for… Well it’s ascience thing, good that you know. Ako wala ako --- ngayon ko lang nalaman ‘yan.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** Tulad ng sinabi niyo Mr. President, hindi po binabagyoang Davao. Kami po sa Bicol sir, sanay kami sa bagyo. May mata po talaga ‘yung bagyo. Darating ‘yung panahon ‘pag nasa sentro ka na biglang titigil ang ulan, biglang titigil ang hangin. Akala mo tapos na, pero ‘yung…

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Ah ‘yung eye of the storm, yeah.

**GOV. ESCUDERO:** Kami sa Bicol alam po namin mata lang ‘yun. May buntotpa ‘yan na tinatawag o tinatawag na timog na mas malala pa doon sa unang pumasok na bahagi nung bagyo.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Na-ano ko ‘yan. I said we---we… No offenseintended. Walang ano ha. But we --- from the far Mindanao, we welcome it because we want to experience it. Kaya nga sabi ko kanina, alam na namin. We have --- during the great flood sa ’72. That was the time when I took the Bar.

‘Yun ang nakita ko na one of the greatest --- talagang flooded the entire Metro Manila. Sige so… Ako, ‘di ako --- ang akin naman is more dito sa administrative matter sir.

If you can call Roy, tutal whether or not he will approve, he will really approve it. Because… Eh public order, public safety ito. Alam --- alam na niya ‘yan. I’m sure that he will ask his law --- legal department there to give its input.

**OPABA USEC. MARVEL CLAVECILLA:** Mr. President.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Yes, judge?

**USEC. CLAVECILLA:** We have --- in Bicol, we have no problem

regarding DENR. Because they issue clearances if there is compliance with the requirements. However, our main problem, Mr. President is the issuance of TEPO, Temporary Environmental Protection Order issued by the courts, preventing the agencies of the Department of Public Works and Highways in their widening of streets, widening of bridges. They cannot push through with their project because of that TEPO.

Now we know Mr. President that there --- there was --- o there is still a law preventing courts from issuing injunctive orders on national infrastructure projects. However, it is more honored in breach --- in breach than in compliance.

So, that is the main problem besetting our --- the projects --- the many projects of the DPWH and affecting, Mr. President your Build, Build, Build program. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Ah magalit na ako diyan. Judge, judge ka man. Youknow itong korte… May judge ba dito? Baka… Mahilig talaga itong… Usually, itong --- let me --- let me tell you the story of the TRO. A TRO is issued by the court. And you’ve had a chance to issue it, you sir, because you were once upon a time a judge. Ito kasi si presidential assistant, classmate ko tapos brod ko pa. Itong TRO, ito ‘yung gold mine ng lahat.

Now for example, itong --- anything, anything that you want to stop temporarily or permanently they go to the courts, apply for an injunction. There are courts, there are judges who are really true to their sense of being a judicial officer. They look into the merits of the case. But karamihan nitong TRO… For example, a project, gusto rin niyang mapasok rin siya then he loses the bidding, mag-file ‘yan ng…

At the start of the construction, mag-file na ng ano ‘yan ng TRO. Kasi ‘yun ang TRO is negosyo eh. ‘Pag binayaran ang judge doon, panalo siya o ‘di kanya na. Maghingi pa ‘yung natalo. “O sige walang --- wala na, hindi na ako mag-ano, bigay.”

So, if you have a 100 million project, maghingi pa ‘yung natalo, magbigay ka pa sa judge o maghingi pa ‘yung judge, ang project mo would be just about what --- 60 million? The 40 million would really go into the pockets of other people.

I’m not trying to accuse anybody pero ganon ang gobyerno natin. Kaya ako, I remember issuing a warning. Sabi ko do not issue --- the courts, do not issue warrants --- ah TRO because I will not obey you.

Tapos sabi ko kasi itong mga… There was this case sa --- I don’t know if it’s connected with the lotto or… Sabi ko huwag kayong makialam dito kasi negosyo ‘to.

Kaya sabi ko if you do that, I’m putting you on notice today that I will not obey you. So may isang --- may isang korte talaga nag-issue. I --- I forgot what --- how it came about. Basta may isang korte nag… Nung sinabihan ako,

sabi ko, huwag mo… Ah itong ano, si… I think it was Secretary Duque. Sa opisina niya. Tini-RO (TRO) siya.

Sabi ko huwag kang mag --- huwag mong paniwalaan ‘yang huwes na ‘yan. Puntahan mo ‘yan, sipain mo, p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* ka. Ipapatagal mo. Karamihan ng project ng gobyerno TRO, TRO, TRO dito. Kaya all delayed.

Tapos may mga contractor pa na 100 million, 50 million ‘yung project. Tapos pagpunta mo dalawang tao lang pagdaan mo naga-pala. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. ‘Yun. That’s how --- that’s what ails the Philippines actually. Kaya sabi ko…

Gusto ninyo mag-sikreto? T\*\*\* i\*\* niyo. Gusto ninyo bababa ako eh. Bahala na kayo dito p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. Nagp\*\*\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* na ako sa… Karaming problema tapos nandiyan pa ‘yang TRO.

So they should be --- [spare?] it. Kaya mabuti ‘yan. Sabihin mo sa kanila ng ano hindi ka paniwalaan. ’Di publicly sabihin ko l\*\*\*\* kayo. Hindi ako maniwala. I… Pagsabi na may TRO kami, si Duque. Sabi ko, huwag mong paniwalaan judge na ‘yan. Loko-loko ‘yan. Sige, you do it. Sabi mo, “Sir, ang court.” “Ako ang bahala. Tutal ikaw man mapreso.” P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*. *[laughter]*

Si Du --- si Duque pala, doctor, Secretary Duque. Ma-ano ‘yan. Ikaw nakita mo naman sa Cabinet. So ‘yung TRO, sabi ang mabuti niyan… Ikaw, presidential assistant of this area. At least you are --- the guys here are lucky that you are a judge. Kadali mo man lapitan. Just do not f\*\*\* us with your mga TRO-TRO. Kasi you just put everybody in jeopardy if you do that.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** The problem Mr. President is that the judiciaryis an independent body.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Kaya nga suntukin mo eh.*[laughter] [unclear]*

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** That's why I was --- I was talking with the ---a friend of mine on the way to Legazpi. The problem of DPWH is the cutting of trees along --- along the road right of way. Now, there was this proposal to --

* for the DPWH people to take advantage of typhoon Tisoy to cut all the trees along the way.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Mabuti pa. Ayan pala eh. Pero pakyawin mo na lang.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** So, in the guise of cutting of trees which are --- which pose obstacle for the road right of way...

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Wala... Judge na ano, "I am cutting this tree for thistyphoon." Ito, ito, ito, 'yan.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Yes.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** And I will cut that tree tomorrow also for thetyphoon that will come. It will sure to come dito sa Bicol 'yang typhoon. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*, ayaw nang huminto. Ano bang kasalanan mo? Bakit ka ganun?

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Sir, you are conforming to the proposal, Mr.President?

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Anything that is faster.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Yes.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** But it does not create...

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Yes. Less expensive.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Ay, ako na ang bahala.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** There are...

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Hindi, kausapin mo nga, [tol?]. You know, sabihinmo na lang, "Judge, huwag mong i-delay 'to kasi pagka-ano, magkaka-ano lang. Sabihin ni Presidente, huwag kayong maniwala diyan." So you create a...

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Hindi ko na po sasabihin na galing sa iyo, Mr.

President.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Ah wala.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Sasabihin ko na lang na galing 'yan kayPresidential Legal Counsel Salvador Panelo. *[laughter]*

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Ah wala. Taga-Bicol.Uragon ‘yan.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Uragon.*[laughter]*

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** Kaya ko kinuha, Bicol talaga 'yan. Bicol-made.

**OPABA USEC. CLAVECILLA:** Thank you, Mr. President.

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:** And actually, ganito 'yan. Si Sal, because of theyears of practice, hindi man siya kagaya natin na... Ito si Sal medyo mara ---

he has a [vast crowd?]. Kaya na niyang bulungan doon. Tawagan mo lang si Sal.

Siya lang ang maglapit doon sa judge pati 'yung lahat na. Ayaw ko lang magsabi kung sino but he has friends, so bulungan na lang niya na, "Huwag mo na lang piitin 'yan, mag aaway lang kayo ni..."

Kaya mara --- malalim ang problema talaga ng Pilipinas. One of them is 'yang TRO na 'yan. Ang second, alam mo ano? Lowest bid. Kaya ang third,

ito… *[unclear]*

Look, I think we are covered by all networks here. I'm posing this challenge. If we want to stop corruption sa BIR, let us go to gross, gross ka na, hindi na net. Kasi kung net, diyan papasok ang mga examiner. Kasi dito allowed, ito… Eh kung gross, pakita mo 'yang resibo, "O, ‘yan, 'yan ang..." O, wala ka man hingiin na pabor kasi gross eh.

I'm putting this challenge to all the Filipinos listening now. You want to stop corruption, do away with gross. You want to stop corruption, do away with the lowest bid. It is really a s\*\*\*. T\*\*\* i\*\* maghanap.

Better go to Swiss challenge then shorten the period. Swiss challenge na lang. O ito, gusto niyong iba eh. "Kaya mo 'tong gawin? O, magkano sayo?" 'Di parang bid na rin pero you go... Mas maganda 'yung Swiss challenge especially the big-ticket projects.

Diba, Joey? The big-ticket projects. I-ano mo na lang, Swiss challenge na. Lowest bid? Aysus. 'Pag ganun, mag-dive 'yan. 'Pag mag-dive siya, matalo siya, mag-reklamo siya, tatakbo ng TRO 'yan. P\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*\* judge. Magbigay ang pera eh. Ako magsabi talaga ako harap-harapan, totoo 'yan. Hindi kayong lahat pero negosyo 'yan ng mga huwes. Kaya sabihin ko sa inyo harap-harapan.

Kaya nga tayo nagka-l\*\*\*\*-l\*\*\*\* kasi lowest bid, ‘pag natalo itong unggoy na 'to, pupunta ka agad sa korte, mag-TRO for nothing. Baseless mag-TRO kayong mga judge.

Even if your good sense would tell you that everything is all right.

'Yun mahirap eh. Kayong mga matagal na sa gobyerno. Ito si Joey, alam nito lahat pasikot-sikot.

So the next president will come from Bicol. You have a choice of Salceda and Chiz Escudero.

Thank you for your… *[applause]*

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