**Presidential Communications Operations Office Presidential News Desk**

**REMARKS OF**

**PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**

**DURING THE PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS OF H.E. VASIN RUANGPRATEEPSAENG, AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND TO THE PHILIPPINES**

**PRESIDENT DUTERTE:**

Your Excellency, I was informed that you’re already here. Pardon for about two minutes late. I was just signing some papers.

But I am very happy of your presence today and congratulations to your new deployment. I understand this is the first ambassadorial assignment that you have for the Republic of Thailand.

I’m sure that you would learn so many things along the way. You won’t have a hard time. We are similar in all things including our desire to have a peaceful southeast Pacific region. Welcome.

I accept your lettre de créance and just a few minutes may I invite you to a room so we can have a little tête-à-tête and before that I’d like to have a picture with you. I’d learned that a very handsome guy from Thailand visited my country.

**AMBASSADOR RUANGPRATEEPSAENG:**

Your Excellency, I have the honor to present my letter of credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Thailand to the Republic of the Philippines and the letter of recall of my predecessor. Thank you.

**President Duterte:**

I accept your assignment. Can we have a picture taking?

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