

C O P Y

Provincial Jail
Nov. 15, 1944

Dear Gen. Valdes:

Please pardon this note, but you have taken so much interest in my case that I do not hesitate in appealing to you once more for a more speedy disposition of this sad affair.

This is now my 24th day in jail without even knowing under what authority and under what charges I have been placed here. My knowledge of our constitutional rights under this government seems to rebel against what I consider a gross injustice committed against us, but we have been patient and have resigned ourselves to our sad condition, in the hope that soon we shall have justice.

We have not yet lost hope nor faith in our leaders of this newly established government of ours, and in conversations with our fellow inmates I seem to notice creeping into the minds day by day that feeling of exasperation, which may later turn into disappointment and lack of faith.

This I would like to prevent for it may lead to disunion.

The general feeling among us here inside is that whoever was responsible for our detention or imprisonment has had enough time to file his charges. We only ask that we be heard soon. I am sure, General, you realize how it feels to be kept this way where you know you are entirely innocent and more so especially, when you have been dealt with in the manner we have been dealt with.

May I know when our hearings will start?

Sincerely,

(Sgnd) Bernado Torres