

Provincial Jail  
Nov. 15, 1944

Dear Gen. Valdez:

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 24<sup>th</sup> day in jail without even knowing under what authority and under what charges I have been placed here. My knowledge of our constitutional



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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 re-established  
government of ours, but in  
conversations with many fellow  
immigrants I seem to notice  
creeping into the minds  
day by day that feeling of  
desperation, which may  
later turn into disappoint-  
ment and lack of faith.



This I would like to present  
for it may lead to securing me.

The general feeling among  
us here inside is that who-  
ever was responsible for  
our detention or imprison-  
ment 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 en-  
tirely innocent and more so  
especially where you have  
been dealt with in the manner  
we have been dealt with.  
May I know when our  
hearings will start?  
Sincerely,  
Bernard O. Lence