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Dredging of Molino Dam underway to ease flooding in Bacoor

CITY OF BACOOR, Cavite (PIA) — The City Government of Bacoor has started dredging activities at the upstream portion of Molino Dam in an effort to address the city's persistent flooding issues

According to the city government, the project, led by the City Engineering Office, is designed to increase the dam's water storage capacity. It said this will help reduce the risk of flooding in nearby communities by temporarily storing excess rainwater during heavy downpours.

Mayor Strike Revilla emphasized that the dredging is a significant project for Barangay 3 and the entire City of Bacoor.

"The goal of this project is to improve Molino Dam's capacity to store water, in order to lessen the impact of flooding in our area," Revilla said.

He also expressed his vision to fully revitalize the dam and maximize its long-term benefits for the community.

"Beyond flood prevention, we are also looking into the dam's potential future use by Maynilad. This project is not only about mitigating floods but also about better managing our natural resources," he added.

Recently, the National Irrigation Administration (NIA), in coordination with the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) Region IV-A and the Bacoor City Government, conducted a joint inspection to



monitor the progress of the Kevin Borreo, along with dredging operations.

The inspection was led by NIA CBIMO Division Manager Engr. Edwin C. Nazareno and Senior Engineer Blue

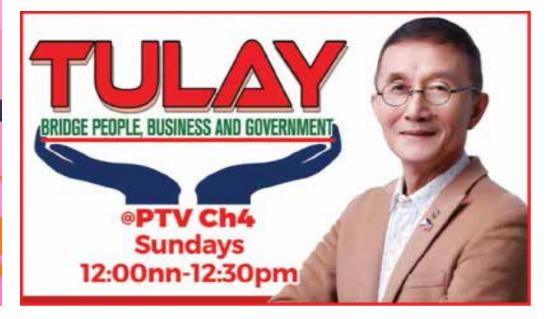
representatives from the DPWH and the city's engineering office.

NIA also expressed support for the initiative, noting that the project will not only improve water storage but will also aid in flood prevention for surrounding communities.

NIA also underscored that the collaboration between the

City Government of Bacoor and NIA reflects a proactive and united effort to tackle critical challenges and ensure a safer, more resilient, and sustainable future for the people of Bacoor City. (RBF, PIA Cavite)

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EXTRA JUDICIAL SETTLEMENT OF ESTATE

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LTO suspends license of motorcycle taxi driver for NAIA

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In a statement, LTO chief Assistant Secretary Vigor Mendoza II said the driver is suspended for 90 days, pending the ongoing investigation over the incident nal 2 to Terminal 3. that went viral on social media.

According to the initial inves- find out if the motorcycle taxi tigation, the motorcycle taxi driver is also the registered driver charged his passenger PHP2,000 from NAIA Terminal 3 in Pasay City to Cainta, Rizal.

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NOTICE OF EXTRA-JUDICIAL SALE

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Municipality of Naic, Province of Cavite, January 7, 2023

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Bacoor police foil espionage, cybercrime operation in coordinated arrest

BACOOR CITY, Cavite (PIA)—Bacoor City police, in collaboration with provincial and national law enforcement units, arrested two individuals linked to suspected cyber espionage activities in the early hours of June 22, 2025.

The suspects, identified as Christian Louie of Makati City and Marcie of Quezon City, were apprehended near a convenience store in Brgy. Molino 6, Bacoor, during a joint operation involving the Bacoor Component City Police Station, Cavite Provincial Intelligence Unit (PIU), and the Anti-Cybercrime Group (ACG) – Cavite.

The operation was conducted under the supervision of Police Major Alexis S. Tuazon, officer-in-charge of the Bacoor police.

The arrest followed an intelligence report from a confidential informant who alerted authorities to ongoing espionage activities across Metro Manila and Region IV-A, allegedly involving foreign handlers.

Acting swiftly, patrolling officers PMSg Philbert Nogueras and Pat Ryan Joshua Maranga launched an Oplan Sita checkpoint, leading to the interception of the suspects' vehicle



— a Toyota Rush — which matched the informant's description.

Upon inspection, officers discovered electronic surveillance devices and data interception equipment inside the vehicle, confirming suspicions of illicit cyber operations.

The suspects are now in police custody and face multiple charges under Republic Act No. 10175, or the Cybercrime Prevention Act of 2012, including Misuse of Devices, Illegal Interception, and System Interference. They are also being charged under Commonwealth Act No. 616, or the Espionage Act of 1941.

Authorities have launched a deeper investigation to determine the full scope of the suspects' activities and whether they are linked to foreign intelligence operations.

PCol. Dwight E. Alegre, Acting Provincial Director of the Cavite Police Provincial Office, praised the swift response of the arresting officers.

"This arrest demonstrates the dedication of our personnel to

protect our communities not only from traditional crimes but also from the growing threats in the digital and intelligence domains. The Philippine National Police remains steadfast in our duty to uphold national security and the rule of law," he said.

The Cavite Police continue to urge the public to report any suspicious activities that may pose risks to public safety and national security. (RBF, PIA



PITX, inDrive partner for safe, accessible transport

MANILA – The Parañaque Integrated Terminal Exchange (PITX) and ridehailing service inDrive signed a partnership agreement on Friday to provide a safe and accessible transport to a wider public.

Under the partnership, an in-Drive booth was launched at the terminal's taxi bay area. Staff manning this booth will not only assist the passengers and drivers, but also distribute safety materials.

Aside from app navigation support, the assistance will include safety orientation sessions as part of inDrive's "Ligtas Biyahe" (safe travel) campaign.

Sofia Guinto, inDrive Philippines head of business development, said their partnership with PITX is more than just a booth as it "represents a movement toward mobility that listens, includes, and empowers."

PITX chief operating officer Mohit Malhi said the partnership supports their vision of modernizing transport and prioritizing the safety and welfare of their passengers.

The PITX served over 50 million passengers in 2024.

Passengers of inDrive from PITX are expected to benefit from reduced waiting time because of a dedicated pickup area and priority dispatch from standby drivers. (PNA)

DSWD, PPA ink deal for deployment of ready-to-eat food in port areas

MANILA – The Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) and the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) on Friday entered into an agreement to make readyto-eat food (RTEF) packs available in seaports nationwide ahead of disasters.

In a ceremony at the Manila North Port, DSWD Secretary Rex Gatchalian and PPA General Manager Jay Santiago signed the agreement that will allow the DSWD to preposition the RTEF in PPA-managed facilities nationwide.

The collaboration will result in a faster and more efficient relief response when disasters strike and passengers get stranded in ports due to sea transport disruptions.

"This partnership with the DSWD is more than just about logistics -- it is about delivering immediate relief to the most vulnerable during disasters. By utilizing our ports as access points for food distribution, we helped ensure that no one goes hungry while stranded or displaced," Santiago said.

In previous instances of stranded passengers at PPA ports, the agency implemented "lugaw" (porridge) distribution through funds donated by PPA employees.

The RTEF packs were devel- champorado, high-protein bisoped through a year-long collaboration between the DSWD fant food. and the Department of Science and Technology – Food and The RTEF will form part of the

to-eat items such as tuna paella, chicken pastil, arroz caldo, cuits, and complementary in-

Nutrition Research Institute DSWD's relief items which will be distributed to affected The food packs contain ready- families within 24 to 48 hours after the onset of a disaster.

The DSWD has, so far, produced 120,000 boxes of RTEF, up for prepositioning not only in seaports, but also in other agency warehouses and storing facilities nationwide for distribution to disaster areas, as necessary. (PNA)



READY-TO-EAT FOOD PACKS. Port workers unload ready-to-eat food packs at Manila North Port Passenger Terminal Building on Friday (June 27, 2025). The Department of Social Welfare and Development and Philippine Ports Authority signed an agreement for prepositioning of the food packs in PPA-managed facilities nationwide to support stranded passengers during disasters. (PNA photo by Yancy Lim)

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EDITORIAL

Quad com debacle

Lying, deception and treason was unearthed at the Senate committee hearing chaired by Sen Imee Marcos regarding the surrender of FPRRD by the Administration high officials to the foreign agents.

Some Filipinos, again, displayed mediocrity, it's subservience to foreigners, who are traitors, no less. Although these negative traits does not apply, in general to all, but mainly with government officials whose main focus in their respective posts is power and pocket. I don't think there will be disagreement here.

Power because the objective, this early, is to annihilate the main bulwark of opposition led by FPRRD. This is pretty obvious because what used to be the strong stand against cooperation with the International Criminal Court became the reverse or diametrically.

So far, the three Senate hearing conducted, showed nothing but a complete turned around with even DILG Secretary pointing to NSC Eduardo Ano, DOF Jesus Remulla, DND Secretary Gilbert Teodoro and himself do the planning and execution using the abusive and traitor General Torre as the hatchet man. It's a national shame that one Filipino, a PNP police general who should live up with the motto "to serve and protect," did also the reverse and lick the international tribunal agents. Firstly, so that by doing so, he will be appointed successor to the current CPNP who has the same blood type.

The Office of the Ombudsman acted already after Senator Imee Marcos urged the OMB to file charges against several top government officials involved in the arrest of FPRRD. She asked the graft body to investigate Justice Secretary Jesus Crispin Remulla, Interior Secretary Jonvic Remulla, PNP Chief Gen. Rommel Marbil and CIDG Director Maj. Gen. Nicolas

Torre III.

Sen. Marcos thinks Justice Secretary Remulla may be liable for violations of RA 3019, or the Anti-Graft and Corrupt Practices Act, for allegedly authorizing or initiating what she described as the invalid administrative arrest of former President Duterte.

"I don't even know if that's a real committee report. We're not afraid of it," was the response of the justice secretary and committed to cooperate with the OMB investigation. Good answer. Additionally, Sec. Remulla may also be charged of usurpation of judicial functions, grave misconduct and conduct prejudicial to the best interest of public service. Oh that's a lot for the full bloodied Caviteno to handle, who may even projected ahead what is in store for him before the bar of justice.

As most expected, as fruit of the poisonous tree,

recommended too is the filing of charges against Interior Secretary Jonvic Remulla for arbitrary detention and the Anti-Graft, and Corrupt Practices Act for inducing Torre and his Boss Marbil to violate the law aside from grave misconduct and conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the service.

Torre, who forcibly arrested Duterte, may be charged for arbitrary detention and violation of Republic Act 7438 for not allowing Vice President Sara Duterte to see her father and for forcing his lawyers to leave him. He, too, faces complaint of grave misconduct and conduct prejudicial to the best interest of public service.

Special Envoy on Transnational Crimes Markus Lacanilao, who appear to be better called a Special Liar may face charges for usurpation of official functions under Article 177 of the Revised Penal Code, false testimony and perjury.

FPRRD faces crimes against humanity at the ICC over his war on drugs during his terms as Davao City Mayor and Philippines President from 2011 to 2019 at the ICC. But what really is crime against humanity? No admission but maybe, the case authors think we have no justice system at works. Because, not even one of the socalled victims families, not even one grandstanding Reps Flores, Castro, Paduano, Ortega, Chua, Abante came out to file case/s against FPRRD. Maybe, just maybe, or perhaps, there was no money, then, on the take.

My readers may know better why it's a nasty, shameful consequence.

Ang tulay mo

by Billy Andal



Romualdez speakership

President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr.'s call for the resignation of his Cabinet is insufficient, as the real culprit remains in power—Martin Romualdez, whose greed is exemplified by billions of pesos in insertion funds in the General Appropriations Act of 2025. This money, which could have been allocated to public-benefiting projects, has instead been funneled to those who do his bidding.

The more important question in everyone's mind: "Will the President do the same mistake twice by letting him stay?"

Pressure on elected Congressmen nationwide extends beyond the Speaker's office. Even the party-list of his wife, Yeda, Tingog, has benefited from the Speaker's

greed. Today, hundreds of Tingog offices exist, as law-makers were compelled to establish them for the self-serving couple, without any financial contribution from them. Tingog secured 3 seats in the last elections, while their support came at the expense of many re-electionists who lost their seats in the

Decisions made by Romualdez were glaringly harmful to the Administration with his push of the impeachment case of VP Sara Duterte.

Motivated by personal am-

bition to become President, he stubbornly contradicted PBBM's position against the impeachment case versus the VP.

Due to Romualdez' actions, the President and Vice President are bitterly split and the strong Unity Team gone into ashes.

This schism proved pivotal in the results of the recently concluded elections that saw only six of senatorial bets endorsed by the Administration got into the Magic 12.

Romualdez, sad to say, was the root of the Alyansa ng Bagong Pilipinas debacle, generated massive trust loss in the Marcos, Jr. Administration, which is reflected in how Juan de la Cruz voted.

The President then asked for a major facelift for his administration — calling for the courtesy resignation of his

Cabinet Secretaries and all his and FPRRD, and other Presidential appointees.

Being among the most prolific faces of the Administration, a change in the House Speakership will certainly bode well for the Marcos presidency with Romualdez being among the biggest face of the infighting within the government

Romualdez surrounds himself with so-called friends like Jj Suarez of Quezon Province who now brags of a supermajority support for the current Speaker, but this is a hoax.

Lawmakers are frustrated, disgruntled, and disappointed. They asked the question: "How could the President allow a cold, selfish, and egotistical maniac to lead the House?"

In December, based on insider information he was expected to be ousted, but the Tacloban. Leyte solon pleaded to be allowed to depart with dignity after the midterm elections. Just two days after the elections, driven by greed and a hunger for power, Romualdez has begun collecting signatures to ensure the perpetuation as Speaker. The Speakership is now an open arena for good men and women in the House. MR acts are deemed a continuation of his corrupt scheme to siphon taxpayer money bullying lawmakers, Cabinet secretaries and everyone who dares go against his will.

The more important question in everyone's mind, of the thinking Filipinos, "will the President do the same mistake twice by letting him stay?" Obviously, to save this country from wreckage, from the crisis brought about by the Speaker, there is no other better and rational option.

By the way, its fiesta again at the DPWH with the re-appointment of Sec Manuel Bonoan.



Voices and Views

By MGen Delfin Lorenzana (Ret)

Finally, a possible path to reconciliation

What an exciting the past few days were. Top of the news that has the entire nation glued to their TV, cellphones or radios was the Oathtaking of the Senate Impeachment Court and its subsequent deliberation on the impeachment case against VP Sara Duterte last Tuesday, 10 June.

The discussions and debates were intense, sometimes acrimonious and long which centered on

the Resolution introduced by Sen Bato dela Rosa to dismiss the case. Sen Alan Cayetano followed up with an amendment to Sen Dela Rosa's resolution, not to dismiss it outright but to remand the articles of impeachment back to the HOR. The deliberation ran deep into the night culminating in a division of the house.

The result was 18-5 in favor of remanding the case back to the HOR with two key orders. First,

the HOR to respond to the issue of whether the one-year impeachment rule under the Constitution was violated. Second, to affirm the articles of impeachment in the 20th Congress.

Immediately the social media erupted with various comments from practically everyone that has been following the Senate proceedings: netizens and experts alike. Some said that the action of

the Senate Impeachment Court, the impeachment is dead. That it will not cross over to the 20 th

Congress. But others said it will.

The HOR prosecution panel, however, were delighted because according to them the Senate's act of sending summons to the VP means it has taken cognizant of the case. And because of this,

they argue that no one can stop the impeachment trial from crossing over to the 20 th Congress and for the trial to proceed until judgment by the Impeachment Court is promulgated.

Everyone is gearing up for a "bloody" court fight starting July. And this will be a contentious,

emotional and acrimonious court case with the accompanying hype, drama and propaganda.

Does this exercise ben-

efit the Filipino people? In fact. this impeachment trial has been sapping the strength and vitality of the nation. It has effectively relegated to the background the shortcomings of the government in addressing the needs of the people. Whether this is the object or just the collateral damage the fact remains the people are the ultimate losers here.

But what if we look at the remanding in another lens, another perspective? What if this is in fact a providential act paving a path to reconciliation? What if PBBM is being given a golden opportunity to stop this impeachment once and for all. Because we know that this is just a plot to

this is just a plot to remove the VP and make her irrelevant before the 2028 election. Maybe it's time for PBBM to use its bully pulpit power to dissuade the HOR to stop it.

And after succeeding in stopping the impeachment for good, PBBM could start the process of bringing PRRD back from the Hague to the Philippines where he could be tried for alleged crimes committed. This will be real reconciliation. The country is beset with so many pressing problems. Let us henceforth heal this pestering division and focus all our energies to serving the needs of the people and not spend resources and time in this divisive and acrimonious

impeachment.



Distribution of School Supplies for Day Care Students

Namahagi po tayo ng mahigit 900 school supply kits para sa ating mga Day Care students dito sa Cavite City. Ito po ay bahagi ng ating adhikain na masigurong handa, masaya, at may kumpiyansa ang bawat bata sa pagsisimula ng kanilang paglalakbay sa mundo ng edukasyon. Naniniwala tayo na ang maagang pagtugon sa kanilang pangangailangan ay susi sa paghubog ng mas maliwanag na kinabukasan. Patuloy tayong maglilingkod nang may dedikasyon para sa isang mas maunlad at makabagong Cavite City.

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Marcos earlier said there was no need to implement the FSP yet, as global oil prices have not increased. (PNA)

UN80 commemorative stamps celebrating PH-UN ties launched





STRONG TIES. The Philippine Postal Corporation (PHLPost) releases stamps to commemorate the Philippines' 80th year in the United Nations (UN) on Wednesday (June 25, 2025) at the Old Senate Hall of the National Museum of Fine Arts in Manila City. The stamps feature a se-tenant design for PHP16 and an Official First Day Cover for PHP18. (Photo courtesy of PHLPost)

MANILA – The Philippine able to the public on Thursday. Postal Corporation (PHLPost) It features a se-tenant design and the Department of Foreign for PHP16 and an Official First Affairs (DFA) have launched Day Cover for PHP18. the UN80 Commemorative Nations (UN)

In a news release on Friday, the PHLPost noted the stamps honor the country's founding role in the UN and its ongoing commitment to peace, multilateralism, and development.

The stamp set was made avail-

Stamps to mark the Philip- The PHLPost said the issupines' 80th year in the United ance of the stamps highlights the agency's role in preserving national heritage and promoting international awareness through philately or stamp collecting.

> With the theme "The Philippines' 80 Years in the United Nations: A Journey of Hope & Endeavor," the launch was held

at the Old Senate Hall of the National Museum of Fine Arts in Manila.

Foreign Affairs Secretary Enrique Manalo and UN Resident Coordinator Arnaud Peral reflected on the Philippines' legacy in the UN at the launch.

The event also featured the designer, Marthy Angue, who described the artwork as a tribute to shared global aspirations. (PNA)

DA lifts ban on poultry imports from Netherlands

MANILA- The Department of Agriculture (DA) has lifted its temporary ban on the importation of domestic and wild birds, including poultry products, from the Netherlands.

In a statement issued Friday, the DA said the decision follows the declaration by the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH) that the Netherlands is now free from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI).

According to Memorandum Order No. 31, signed by Agriculture Secretary Francisco Tiu Laurel Jr., the lifting of the ban takes effect immediately.

"Based on the evaluation of the Department of Agriculture, the risk of contamination from importing live poultry, poultry meat, day-old chicks, eggs, and semen is negligible," the order

read.

Since May 16, the Netherlands has recorded no new outbreaks of bird flu, according to the WOAH.

In December 2024, the DA imposed the import ban on the European nation after the Dutch authorities confirmed the outbreak of H5 (N untyped) HPAI in Putten, Gelderland on Nov. 17, 2024. (PNA)





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550 Calabarzon OFWs benefit from DMW's reintegration aid

The Department of Migrant Workers (DMW) in Calabarzon continues to ensure that returning Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) receive assistance to help them start anew.

Regional Director April Casabuena told the Philippine Information Agency that since the start of the Marcos Jr. administration in 2022, DMW Calabarzon has assisted a total of 550 returning OFWs through its Livelihood Assistance Program (LDAP) and the Balik Pinay Balik Hanapbuhay Program (BPBH).

She said the programs, which provide P10,000 in financial aid, target OFWs who returned to the country and have not been re-hired abroad within three years, to help them reintegrate through sustainable liveli-

"I always tell our beneficiaries, even though the P10,000 may be a small amount, at least they receive something to start with. Many beneficiaries are from BPBH because we have a lot of Filipina former domestic helpers who want to start a new life again in the Philippines," Casabuena added.



nesses such as sari-sari stores.

"During the application pro- my children. I worked in Qatar cess, a business plan is required for five years—my employer to help guide the OFWs. Quali- treated me well, but I had to fied beneficiaries are also con- come home to treat my health tinuously monitored by the condition," Tejada shared. DMW to ensure sustainability,

One of the beneficiaries, Chariprofit isn't big, I'm managing car Tejada, 39, from Calamba to get by. Most importantly, I'm City, Laguna, worked in Qatar with my family. I thank DMW worker before being repatriated for helping me start over," she

She emphasized that most of due to health concerns. She the beneficiaries used the assis- used the grant to open a saritance to start small-scale busi- sari store to support her family.

"I hope to give a good life to

"Right now, my sari-sari store is doing well. Even though the for five years as a domestic and the national government

According to Casabuena, DMW is working on increasing the aid amount from P10,000 to P30,000 to help OFWs further strengthen their livelihood ventures.

abarzon remains committed to protecting and promoting the welfare of OFWs through various forms of support in line with the Bagong Pilipinas governance agenda of the Marcos Jr. administration. (KA,



BIOCON FACILITY. Agriculture Secretary Francisco Tiu Laurel Jr. (right) visits the newly renovated Tissue Culture Laboratory and Biological Control (Biocon) facility at the Los Baños National Crop Research, Development, and Production Support Center in Los Baños, Laguna on June 26, 2025. The DA on Friday (June 27, 2025) cited the importance of these facilities that could lead to increased yields of local farmers. (Photo courtesy of DA-Bureau of Agricultural Research)

Biocon facility, tissue culture lab key to strengthening agri sector

Agriculture (DA) said Friday the newly upgraded Biological Control Agent (BioCon) Facility and Tissue Culture Laboratory in Laguna are vital to enhancing the country's agricultural productivity.

The two facilities, worth PHP6 million, were inaugurated at the Los Baños National Crop Research, Development, and Production Support Center by the DA and the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI).

In a statement, Agriculture Secretary Francisco Tiu Laurel Jr. cited the importance of such facilities in helping address the effects of climate change.

"The Tissue Culture Laboratory will ensure a steady supply of high-quality, disease-free planting materials," he said.

Complementary to healthy planting materials, the BioCon facility may be used for natural

She reiterated that DMW Cal- MANILA - The Department of pest control as it aims to "massproduce" biological agents, including "earwigs and beneficial fungi."

> According to the DA, integrating healthy planting materials with natural pest control could lead to increased yields while minimizing environmental impact – a win for both commercial growers and smallholder farmers.

> "This is especially crucial for the banana industry, which continues to face serious challenges due to Fusarium wilt," Tiu Laurel said.

> Aside from bananas, other crops may also be propagated in the BioCon facility, such as garlic, ginger, ube, and ornamentals.

The DA-BPI will aim to benefit commercial growers and smallholder farmers through these facilities. (PNA)



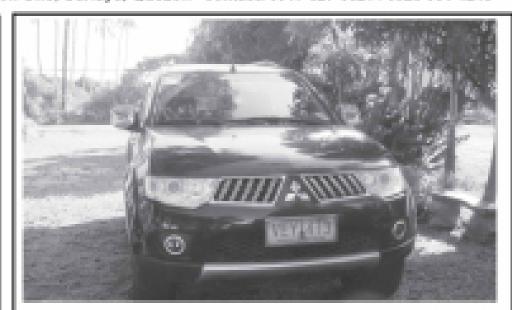
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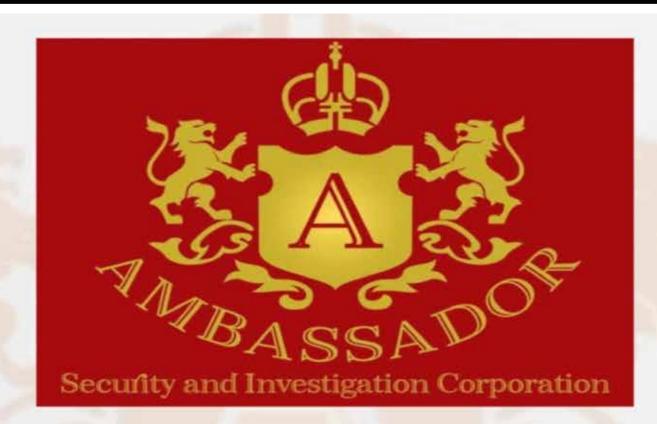
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