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Recruiters want more Pinoy carers



DIVORCE in the Philippines? Five women lawmakers from the House of Representatives were among the eight legislators who visited Hong Kong for a consultation with Filipinos here about the proposed measures to introduce divorce in the Philippines (story on page 8).

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

HONG KONG families are willing to offer higher salary to Filipino nursing graduates to take care of their elderly.

Kitman Cheung, CEO of Overseas Employment Centre (Hong Kong and

Macau), told Hong Kong News they had been seeking Filipinos who completed their nursing degrees to offer them at least \$5,000 to serve as caregivers to the elderly and the sick.

“We have started deploying Filipinos as caregivers nine months ago, and we have

deployed more than 20 already. The problem is the provider, they can not give us enough [nursing graduates].

“They promised us nursing graduates, but in fact, no, they give us caregivers only or those who have six-month training,” Cheung said.

Owing to this, he said they had slowed down their deployment as they could not offer \$5,000 to those who were not nursing graduates.

“We can employ between 20 and 30 nursing graduates to become caregivers,

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New balikbayan box rules deferred



Filipinos pack balikbayan boxes in Central (file photo)

By Maia Lopez

THE Bureau of Customs has suspended its requirement for overseas Filipino workers to submit a proof of purchase for items inside their balikbayan boxes sent to the Philippines.

The bureau suspended two Customs orders – one requiring balikbayan box senders to submit a photocopy of their Philippine passport to avail of the government's tax exemption and another requiring copies of the invoice, receipt, or proof of payments of the goods contained in the box – until March 31, 2018.

"The BOC has temporarily suspended the guidelines in the implementation of the duty and tax-free privilege of consolidated balikbayan boxes, following the upsurge of criticisms among overseas Filipino workers," the bureau said.

Previously, both requirements were not needed for OFWs to qualify for the tax exemption as long as shipments did not exceed P150,000 in value.

"Although it is our duty to facilitate customs clearance of balikbayan boxes, we cannot set aside the sentiments of our fellow Filipinos abroad. With the suspension of the current procedure on balik-

bayan box, the previous regulation will be enforced," Customs Commissioner Isidro Lapeña said.

For his part, Senate President Pro Tempore Ralph Recto, who was first to object to the tedious requirements imposed by the BOC, hailed the decision of the bureau to freeze the two orders.

When the now recalled guidelines first came out in July, Recto warned that BOC's order for senders to paste a list of contents on the box "was tantamount to providing a keyhole that might tempt unscrupulous handlers to open it and rid it of its contents."

"If the list is so itemized, that is like saying 'Open me, I'm yours,' I concede that there must be rules, but not so complicated that the box ends up being wrapped in red tape," he said.

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Pinay cleared of illegal work in TST hostel

By Ally Constantino

A Kowloon City court acquitted a Filipino domestic helper of breaching her condition of stay by managing an unlicensed guesthouse in Tsim Sha Tsui.

Deputy Magistrate Percy Yue Pui-size on Sept. 26 said the prosecution failed to prove beyond reasonable doubt that Marissa D.D. was profiting from the unlicensed guesthouse as charged.

Although Judge Yue found prosecution witnesses to be credible, she also noted that Marissa and the other defendant, the Filipina's employer, also had no previous criminal records, indicating that they "had no propensity to commit an offense".

The prosecution presented witnesses who said they found Marissa at the reception desk of the hostel on July 28, 2016.

A senior officer at the Licensing Authority on Apr. 5 gave evidence in court about finding Marissa, who started working for her current employer in April 2016, at the guesthouse. The prosecution witness said they set up an operation to book a room in the hostel. Two employees of the Licensing Authority posed as guests and proceeded to the guesthouse in Tsim Sha Tsui.

Upon arriving there, they also saw a couple about to check in. The two employees also tried to extend their stay.

The senior officer told the court they called the police when they found a Filipina in the guesthouse and they suspected her of committing an offense.

However, Judge Yue said the offense of breaching the condition of stay by performing other jobs than those stated in the contract was different from the breaching the condition of stay by managing a guesthouse. She added there was no evidence presented that the helper made profits in the operation of the hostel.

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EMs fight for better treatment in HK

By Ally Constantino

ETHNIC minorities in Hong Kong continued to call for measures to improve their lot in the territory, which calls itself the "Asia's World City".

Seven groups of Hong Kongers and

NGOs on Oct. 8 made a policy address submission to Chief Executive Carrie Lam at the Legislative Council building in Admiralty, saying the government should do more to protect their welfare and well-being in the city they called home.

"For generations, we faced unfair obsta-

cles and government policies that hinder our advancement in a city we call home.

"Despite witnessing failed policies, year after year we strive to make policy suggestions to the government that we hope will bring changes that would finally allow minorities to progress and contribute more to Hong Kong, the home we love and cherish," the groups said in a statement.

To address the challenges ethnic minorities face, the groups said "education is the key to eliminating discrimination".

However, they said, ethnic minorities "are facing inequalities in the local education system, from segregation in schools which is deterring our younger generation to being productive contributing members of society."

They added that the government has yet to take actions to address the lack of a proper Chinese curriculum.

"Moreover our city's Race Discrimination Ordinance needs to be changed to better protect ethnic minorities from discrimination and unfair treatment; the government should take the first step and make itself equally accountable under this law. This will be a major step for Hong Kong, a world class city, to adhere to international standards," the groups said.

They also urged Lam to fulfill her promises, which were made during her election manifesto, to improve the lot of ethnic



Ethnic minorities, including Filipinos, rally for better treatment in HK

minorities.

"Last year we also made our Policy Address submission, despite having voiced our opinions and highlighting the negative impacts certain policies have on our community, the previous governments have not taken much action

"We hope she can fulfill what she promised and do more for the ethnic minority community," the groups said.

Their suggestion, they said, were culled from focus groups they conducted with different target groups who were concerned about the situation of ethnic minority residents in Hong Kong.

A 2015 study released by NGO Hong Kong Unison found that the failure of the

Hong Kong educational system to properly teach Chinese language has led to limited post-secondary education choices and career paths of ethnic minority students.

The research found that some programs used Chinese as the medium of instruction had compulsory courses taught in Chinese; lacked accommodative measures for non-Chinese speaking students; did not accept alternative Chinese language qualifications, or used Chinese to interview candidates, making the programs inaccessible to non-Chinese speaking students.

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An inspiring journey of an OFW turned entrepreneur:

Ang Paglalakbay sa Tagumpay

By Vicks Reyes Munar

UMABOT sa 10 taon ang pagtrabaho ni Jun Delos Reyes Domingo bilang seaman bago magdesisyong tumigil upang maka-

piling ang kanyang pamilya.

Mahirap ang kanyang naging buhay sa barko dahil hindi naman kataasan ang posisyon. Nagsilbi siyang cadet at buson mula 1993 hanggang 2013 sa isang cargo

vessel. Sa loob ng 10 taon sa barko, tiniis niya ang hirap alang-alang sa pamilya.

Sa haba ng pagtrabaho sa ibayong dagat pakiramdam ni Jun walang nangyayari. Paulit-ulit lang ang eksena na kapag uuwi siya ay may pera at kapag natapos ang bakasyon ay babalik siya na may utang pa na kailangang bayaran. Dahil dito, nag-isip si Jun at sinabi sa sarili, "Hindi pwedeng habambuhay ganito ang sitwasyon kailangang may gawin ako."

Dahil determinado at gustong makapiling ang pamilya, nagsimula siyang dumiskarte upang madagdagan ang buwanang sahod. Taong 2005 nagsimula siyang magbuy and sell ng mga palamuti sa bahay at kung anu-ano pa na binibili niya sa ibat-ibang lugar na kanilang napupuntahan.

Nakita niyang maganda ang kita dito lalo na at masigasig din ang kanyang asawa na naging katuwang niya. Nagpursige sila. Tulad ng ibang negosyo maraming pagsubok na dumating tulad ng mga utang na hindi nabayaran ng mga customer, at iba pa. Hindi ito naging hadlang upang ipagpatuloy ang kanilang nasimulan.

Taong 2013 nagsimula sila ng isang maliit na sari-sari store sa harap ng kanilang bahay. Sa tulong ng P8,000 na dagdag puhunan mula sa sa microfinance loan ng Center for Agricultural and Rural



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Development (CARD) sa kanilang lugar sa Lipa, Batangas kung saan pitong taon nang miyembro ang kanyang asawa ay pinagyaman nila ang kanilang munting negosyo. Nagtulong silang mag-asawa at nagpasya si Jun na huwag nang sumakay uli sa barko. Dahil likas na palakaibigan, dumami ang kanilang customer kahit na maraming kakompetensya na sari-sari store sa kanilang lugar.

Aminado si Jun na hindi ganun kadali na kitain ang pera mula sa negosyong sinimulan nilang mag-asawa ngunit hindi naging hadlang ito para manatili pa rin sa Pilipinas. Kalaunan, tuwang-tuwa na siya

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Tunay ngang naging matagumpay ang paglalakbay ni Jun na dating isang OFW na ngayon ay isa nang entrepreneur sa sariling bansa. Binigyang diin din niya sa kanyang pagbabahagi ng kanyang "inspiring story" sa katatapos na CARD SME Bank "Go Negosyo Talk Series" na isinagawa in cooperation with CARD HK Foundation noong unang araw ng Oktubre na mahalaga ang hands on at pakikibahagi ng mga kapamilya sa negosyo upang maibigay ang kalidad na serbisyo sa customer.

Ayon kay Jun: "Success is not the key to happiness, Happiness is the key to success". Naniniwala siya na kung gusto mo ang iyong ginagawa ay magiging mata-gumpay ito lalo na sa pagnegosyo.

Ngayon hindi na niya kailangang lumayo sa pamilya at magtrabaho bilang OFW sa ibang bansa. Kapiling na niya ang kanyang pamilya at masasabing maalwan ang kabuhayan. Sa katunayan, nagagawa na ng pamilya ni Jun na makapamasyal sa ibat-ibang bansa bilang mga turista.

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Umiwas sa "job-hopping". Kadalasan hindi pinapayagan ang pagpalit ng amo habang wasto pa ang iyong kasalukuyang kontrata maliban sa pambihirang pangyayari. Maaring hindi na payagan ang iyong pag-apply ng visa sa hinaharap kung aabusuhin ang pagputol sa kontrata nang wala sa panahon.



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Maari kang isakdal at paalisin sa Hong Kong kapag napatunayan kang lumabag sa kundisyon ng pananatili.



Duterte OKs creation of OFW Bank

By **Maia Lopez** and **Albert Hernandez**

PRESIDENT Rodrigo Duterte has finally issued an executive order paving the way for the creation of a bank that will cater to remittance and other banking needs of overseas Filipino workers.

The President signed Executive Order No. 44 approving the acquisition of government-owned Philippine Postal Savings Bank (Postbank) by the Land Bank of the Philippines.

The Postbank will be converted into the Overseas Filipino Bank, which aims to efficiently deliver micro-finance and micro-insurance products and services for OFWs.

"Overseas-based Filipinos, who contribute to the country's foreign exchange income, currency stability, employment, and overall economic growth through their remittances should be given provision of priority support for their growing financial needs," read EO No. 44.

Philippine Postal Corp., which owns Postbank, and the Bureau of Treasury were directed under the EO to transfer their Postbank shares to Land Bank at zero value.

The presidential order directs Land Bank to infuse the necessary capital of the new bank "in order to strengthen the capital base of OFB and enable the same to attain its primary agenda of servicing the various financial and banking needs of overseas Filipinos."

The acquisition still has to be cleared by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Philippine Deposit Insurance Corp., and the Philippine Competition Commission.

Land Bank's chairperson will serve as head of the nine-member board of directors of the new lender.

The EO also called for an early retirement incentive plan for all Postbank officers who will be affected by the acquisition.

"All PPSB officers and employees who voluntarily elect to be retired or may be separated from the service shall be granted...retirement incentives, in addition to retirement or separation benefits under existing laws," the President said.

Duterte also said the LBP will reorganize PPSB and include in its board representatives from the Department of Labor and Employment, the Overseas Workers

Welfare Administration, and a private sector member representing overseas Filipinos.

He also directed the PPSB to return to the National Treasury the balance of P249.23 million from the P500 million released to fund its Project Dagdag Regular Income Via Entrepreneurship (Drive) Fund, a microfinance program.

The thrift bank's total assets stood at P9.29 billion as of June this year, according to Central Bank data.

Earlier, Labor Secretary Silvestre Bello III urged OFWs to invest in the OFB, saying interested workers may opt to use their credit line with the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration.

"Once the OFW Bank is launched, you can borrow from your funds in OWWA to buy the shares of stocks so that you will become part owner. I want all OFWs to have shares in the banks and have their own credit facilities," Bello said.

"Instead of applying for a loan from the Land Bank or other banks, you can do it with the OFW Bank, your own bank," he added.

The OFW Bank was one of the campaign promises of Duterte.

Group holds cancer awareness concert

BREAST cancer remains the top cancer among Filipino women working in Hong Kong.

"Karamihan sa cancer ng mga member namin, nagsimula sa breast," said Gemma Solomon, chairperson of the Filipino Migrant Cancer Support Society (FILMCASS-HK), on the sidelines of a concert for cancer awareness that the group held on Oct. 8 at the Edinburgh Place in Central.

"Mas dumarami ang pasyente namin ngayon. Nasa apat sila kasi iyong anim na katatapos lang na magpagamot nakauwi na sa atin," she added.

FILMCASS she said has 77 members who survived cancer, while 34 of its members had lost their battle against the illness.

The Philippine Consulate General in partnership with the Hong Kong Breast Cancer Foundation organized and sponsored free breast screening, mammogram services and talk on breast health at the Consulate. The activity benefited more than 100 women OFWs.

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OFWs express support for divorce in PH

By Ally Constantino

THE Filipino community here in Hong Kong expressed their overwhelming support to the proposed measures to allow divorce in the Philippines, the only country in the world which does not allow so.

Eight members of the House of Representatives came to Hong Kong and met with Filipinos living and working in the city for a consultation on seven pending bills that seek to amend EO No. 29 or the Family Code of the Philippines introducing measures on the dissolution of marriage and absolute divorce.

The consultation, held on Oct. 1 at the Philippine Consulate General, saw hundreds of Filipinos, majority of them women, expressing their support for divorce in the Philippines. This support was apparent from eight out of 10 resource persons and speakers who gave their view on the issue. Arguments for the measures included the prohibitive cost of seeking annulment of marriage, as well as the complex process of securing one.

Cynthia Abdon Tellez, general manager of the NGO Mission for Migrant Workers, said that out of 2,000 requests for assistance they receive from migrant workers

in Hong Kong, some eight to 10 percent concerned marital or family problems.

"We have a case wherein she was able to singlehandedly send their children to school and build a house on the land of the relatives of her husband. With her responsibility done - napatapos na ang kanyang mga anak sa pag-aaral - she is now seriously considering what her future is considering that her husband is now cohabiting with another woman in their house she built with her own sweat and tears.

"She has not seen her husband for 15 years, hindi siya makauwi doon sa bahay nila mismo and she does not know what to do. Should she drive out the other woman and her husband as well? Remember the house is built on the land owned by her estranged husband's relatives. As an alternative she is thinking of acquiring other properties for herself. But then since this would be acquired within the marriage her husband may have access to this. What is a trapped woman to do?" Abdon Tellez said.

She added that they also had cases of Filipino women being abused by their husband when they were in the Philippines, and now that they are in Hong Kong, they want to "start anew".

"The existing mechanism for estranged married couples leaves much to be desired...This is an issue dear to women migrant as it seriously affects their ability to be productive members of society. This is an issue that will instill in women migrants that there is hope after a terrible marriage," Abdon said.

Meanwhile, a representative of the Chaplaincy for Filipinos in Hong Kong, said the group opposed divorce in the Philippines as marriage is "forever".

"Marriage is a mission; it is a way to



The consultation on divorce bills held at the PCG on Oct. 1

live a life of holiness and sanctity. What is the mission for the couple? To give witness of their love and the love of the couple must not be based on emotion but a commitment, a sacrificial love, a love that knows how to sacrifice for his/her beloved," the representative said.

A Filipino lawyer, in a forum held at the PCG in 2015, said there are four ways to legally dissolve marriages in the Philippines. One way, he said, is through a "declaration of presumptive death," which can be used if one spouse had been "missing" for four straight years. Another way is through annulment. The lawyer said a Filipino marriage can be annulled if the spouses were 18 to 20 years old and got married without getting their parents' consent. Another ground for annulment is insanity or if the spouse was out of their mind when they got married. One more ground for annulment is fraud or if one of the spouses deceived the other. A marriage can also be annulled if the spouses were married through "force, intimidation, or undue influence." The third legal way to annul a marriage in the Philippines is

through a declaration of nullity. Philippine courts issue this declaration if the marriage in question was "missing an element". These include marriages where those who tied the knot "were not a man and a woman;" the spouses were not yet 18 years old when they got married; or if they did not categorically give their consent— or did not say their "I dos"—during the wedding. A marriage can also be nullified if there was no marriage certificate issued or if no wedding ceremony happened. Likewise, "psychological incapacity" can be used as a ground for nullification of marriage. Manifestations of "psychological incapacity" include immaturity, irresponsibility, and homosexuality." A marriage can also be nullified if it violates Article 51 of the Family Code, which requires widows and widowers to give their children's inheritance before getting married again.

Marriages that are bigamous, polygamous, incestuous, or "are against public policy" could also be declared as null and void. The last legal way to dissolve a marriage in the Philippines is through "divorce by foreign spouse".



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Finding it all in Thailand

By Daryll Saclag

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Perhaps all these are the reasons why many tourists travel to this country: to have a taste of its unique culture. Thailand in fact receives the highest number of tourist arrivals among Southeast Asian countries. In 2015, almost 30 million tourists visited this country.

Wanting to check what we were missing out on, my friends and I decided to purchase a ticket to Bangkok and booked a

four-day stay at a hostel right in the middle of the city. For our tours, we bought tickets for Ayutthaya and Kanchanaburi, considering the limited time that we had.

Located an hour away from the center of Bangkok, Ayutthaya is often done as a day tour by travelers. The city was founded in 1351 and served as the capital of the Siamese Kingdom until 1767 when it was razed by the Burmese army. What attract tourists to this ancient city are the impressive temples that lie in ruins across the former capital. The temples are preserved in the Ayutthaya historical park, which is recognized as a World Heritage Site by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, or UNESCO.

One of the temples that piqued our interest was Wat Mahathat. This temple is known for the image of Buddha's head

surrounded by tree roots. Legend has it that the Burmese army chopped off the heads of Buddha statues and that the tree simply grew around one of these heads as the temple lay abandoned.

Another memorable site that we visited in the ancient capital was Wat Lokayutharam. It houses the largest reclining Buddha in Ayutthaya at 37 meters long and 8 meters high. Locals and tourists can offer their prayers and wishes in an altar in front of the monument.

Like Ayutthaya, Kanchanaburi is close to Bangkok. It is two hours away from the city center and most tours can be done within a day. The most popular route takes you to the Bridge over the River Kwai. The Bridge was part of a railway system used by the Japanese during the Second World War to transport munitions. The

tour includes a one-hour train ride to Sai Yok Noi Falls, where you will have your lunch at a nearby restaurant.

Kanchanaburi also features several elephant camps, one of which is near Sai Yok Noi Falls. Visitors are allowed to feed and take photos with these gigantic beasts. An extra fee is required if you want to mount an elephant to ride.

Our last stop included a visit to Kanchanaburi War Cemetery. Buried here are the almost 7,000 prisoners of war who died during the Second World War over the construction of the Death Railway to Burma. All POWs at the cemetery were from Australia, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom.

If you also have a limited time like us and prefer instead to stay at the city center, you will not run out of activities to do. Wat

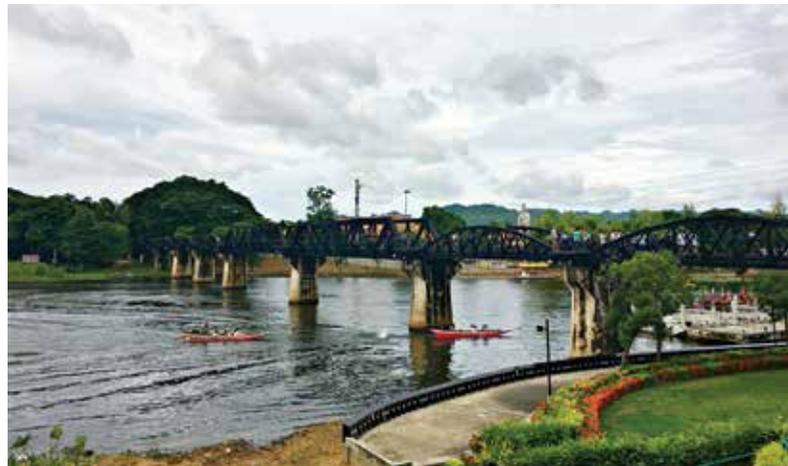
Arun, a Buddhist temple most known for its unique design and colorful spires, towers over the banks of Chao Phraya River and can be reached by foot from Khao San Road.

On the other side of the river is Wat Pho, which is famed for its giant, golden reclining Buddha that measures 46 meters long. After doing a temple run in the city, tourists may want to enjoy the street food on Khao San Road that ranges from crepe, barbecue, Pad Thai, to bizarre local delicacies such as scorpions, spiders, and worms.

First timers will have a lot of activities to do when visiting Thailand, particularly Bangkok. Its distinct identity and culture is present everywhere that visitors will surely bring with them when they go home.



Chatuchak is Thailand's biggest market, featuring over 8,000 stalls that sell a variety of goods



Bridge over the River Kwai was previously used to transport arms between Thailand and Burma



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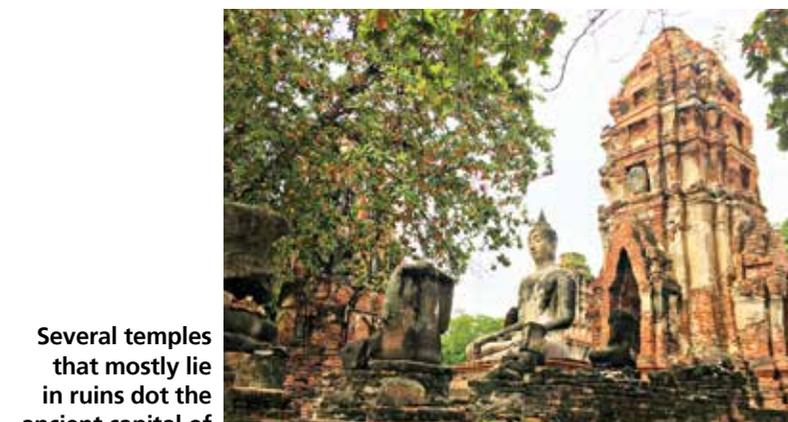
Tourists visit Wat Pho to see its golden, reclining Buddha



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Recruiters...

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but not right now. The provider only gives us one nursing graduate or two.

“Our agreement states that we would be deploying nursing graduates, school graduates and there’s no need for them to have experience, and no need for them to have passed the examination...and if we

pay \$5,000, but other agencies, they pay just over \$4,400, we can not compete,” Cheung said.

Alfredo Palmieri, president of the Society of Hong Kong Accredited Recruiters of the Philippines (SHARP), said Philippine-based recruiters deploy workers to become stay-in caregivers.

“Asians generally do not like sending

the elderly to a nursing home because they worry that their parents or grandparents could be mistreated there.

They would rather take care of them at home,” Palmieri said.

He said this development in the market was “positive” as those who would be gaining experience in providing care in Hong Kong could use the experience in applying for caregiving jobs in Japan, whose population is one of the fastest-aging in the world.

“They can be hired in kaigo (caregiving) centers in Japan, provided that they could also acquire some Japanese language training,” Palmieri added.

Both Consul-General Bernardita Catalla and Labor Attache Jalilo dela Torre also viewed the possible deployment of Filipinos as caregivers in Hong Kong as a positive deployment.

“I think it’s going to be a thing of the future...This is a prospect that has been

discussed because of the aging population here.

“This is good for Filipinos because this requires specialized skills and Filipinos are known to be very good carers because we have tender loving care. Our nurses overseas are known for that. Filipino nurses are preferred because of that,” Catalla said.

She added that the Philippine government should prepare for this opportunity.

Dela Torre said Filipinos who wish to work in Hong Kong as caregivers could earn higher.

“The moment they announce it as official policy, we will pursue it because that’s good for the [Filipino] community. This means [Filipinos’] skills as caregivers will be officially recognized and therefore they will be compensated higher,” he said.

However, he was unsure whether nursing graduates would be willing to work as caregivers in Hong Kong.

“We will pursue it because it’s a good market development, but I don’t know what the parameters are of this new policy and if they continue to have a domestic worker’s visa or if the Hong Kong government will have a new category for caregivers and that’s the ideal arrangement for the nursing graduates,” Dela Torre said.

The research office of the Hong Kong’s Legislative Council Secretariat has said a third of the city’s population would be over the age of 60 by 2034.

Latest data also showed Hong Kong’s population had the longest life expectancy in the world, 87 for women, and 81 for men, which could mean the city’s labor force would shrink.

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Pinoy helper seeks optional live out policy

By Ally Constantino

A Filipino domestic helper has asked the High Court to allow an option for the over 300,000 foreign domestic helpers in the city to live out of their employers’ homes.

In a three-day hearing before Justice Anderson Chow Ka-ming, Paul Shieh Wing-tai, Filipino domestic helper Nancy Almorin Lubiano’s barrister, said the mandatory live-in rule imposed by the Immigration Department was “repugnant” to the employer-employee relationship.

Shieh argued that the policy heightens the risk of breaching the foreign domestic workers’ right as requiring them to live with their employers meant that they could be on-call

round-the-clock, quoting a statement from the ImmD that the nature of work of foreign domestic helpers requires them to be available for work all the time.

Foreign domestic helpers are required to make an undertaking to the ImmD that they will live in their employer’s residence before they are issued working visas.

On the other hand, lawyer Benjamin Yu, who represented the ImmD, said allowing foreign domestic workers to live out of their employer’s home would not solve their working and living condition woes.

He said a legislation would be needed to ensure that foreign domestic helpers are given suitable accommodations by their employers.



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Over 300 OFWs join CARD projects

By Cheryl M. Arcibal

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From January to September 28, data from the NGO showed it had 368 participants in seminars for financial literacy (217), livelihood skills (43), and entrepreneurship (108).

From 2011, since the NGO began its operations, it was able to give financial literacy training to 2,191 OFWs in Hong Kong, and visited 1,909 families of OFWs. Of these families, 1,571 have availed of CARD services.

Meanwhile, CARD also said 67 OFWs from Hong Kong who participated in its financial literacy seminar had gone home for good in the Philippines, and of the number, 61 became CARD members.

The financial literacy course aims to help migrant workers avoid getting mired in financial debt.

Other activities of the NGO include the regular monitoring on the status of business of OFWs’ families, as well as the continuous orientation of staff and members about its programs for OFWs in Hong Kong.

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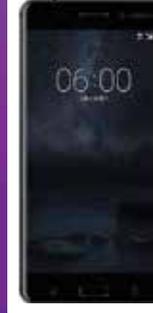


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- 3GB RAM
- iOS 11
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$7,233**

Apple iPhone 8 (64GB)

- 4.7 Inch
- 12MP Rear + 7MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- Hexacore
- 2GB RAM
- iOS 11
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$5,998**

Apple iPad 9.7 (4G) (32GB) *NEW*

- 9.7 Inch
- 8MP Rear + 1.2MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- Dual-core 1.84 GHz
- 2GB RAM
- iOS 10.3
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$3,588**

Huawei Nova *Low Downpayment*

- 5 Inch
- 12MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- 2.0GHz Octa Core
- 3GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$1,690**

Huawei Y6 Pro (2017) *NEW*

- 5 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- 1.4GHz Quad Core
- 2GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$1,280**

Huawei P10 Lite *NEW*

- 5.2 Inch
- 12MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 32 GB Storage
- 2.15 GHz Octa-core
- 4 GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Dual SIM
- Fingerprint

Price **\$2,299**

HTC U Play *NEW*

- 5.2 Inch
- 16MP Rear + 16 Front
- 32GB Storage
- 1.2GHz Quad Core
- 3GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$2,298**

HTC Desire 10 Pro *Low Downpayment*

- 5.5 Inch
- 20MP Rear + 13MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- 1.8GHz Octa Core
- 4GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM
- Fingerprint

Price **\$2,699**

HTC U Ultra *NEW*

- 5.7 Inch
- 20MP Rear + 12MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- 2.15GHz Quad Core
- 4GB RAM
- Android 7.0 HTC Sense™
- 4G
- Dual SIM
- Fingerprint

Price **\$3,498**

Kata S100 *Low Downpayment*

- 2.4 Inch
- 0.3 MP Rear
- 32MB Storage
- Spreadtrum SC6531D
- 32MB RAM
- 2G

Price **\$99**

Kata M3s *Low Downpayment*

- 5.5 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- 1.3GHz Quad Core
- 2GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$1,099**

Kata i5 *0% Interest Low Downpayment Hot Items*

- 5.5 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- 1.3GHz Octa Core
- 3GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM
- Fingerprint

Price **\$1,299**

Kata M4s *0% Interest Hot Items*

- 5.5 Inch
- 18MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- Octa core 1.5GHz
- 3GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$1,999**

Lenovo Tab3 7 LTE *NEW*

- 7 Inch
- 2MP Rear + 2MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- 1.3 GHz Quad Core
- 1GB RAM
- Android
- 4G

Price **\$1,199**

Lenovo Tab4 8504X *NEW*

- 8.0 Inch
- 5 MP Rear + 2 MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- 1.4 GHz Quad-core
- 2GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G

Price **\$1,599**

LG K8 2017 *NEW Low Downpayment*

- 5.0 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- Quad-core 1.4 GHz
- 1.5GB RAM
- Android 7.0 (Nougat)
- 4G
- Dual Sim

Price **\$899**

LG K10 (2017)

- 5.3 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- 1.14GHz Octa Core
- 2GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$1,339**

LG Stylus 3 *NEW*

- 5.7 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- Octa-core 1.4 GHz
- 2GB RAM
- 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Dual SIM
- Fingerprint

Price **\$1,698**

LG Q6 Plus *NEW*

- 5.5 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- Octa-core 1.5GHz
- 4GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Dual Sim

Price **\$2,298**

LG G6 *NEW*

- 5.7 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- Quad-Core 2.3GHz
- 4GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$4,699**

LG G6 Plus *NEW*

- 5.7 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 128GB Storage
- Quad-Core 1.4GHz
- 4GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$4,999**

Nokia 3 *NEW Hot Items*

- 5 Inch
- 8MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- Quad-core 1.4 GHz
- 2GB RAM
- Android 7.0
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$1,099**

Samsung Galaxy J2 Prime *NEW 50 Downpayment*

- 5 Inch
- 8MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 8GB Storage
- Quad-core 1.4 GHz
- 1.5GB RAM
- 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual Sim

Price **\$938**

Samsung Galaxy J1 (2016)

- 4.5 Inch
- 5MP Rear + 2MP Front
- 8GB Storage
- 1.3GHz Quad Core
- 1GB RAM
- Android 5.1.1 Lollipop
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$990**

Samsung Galaxy T285 Tab A7 LTE *Hot Items*

- 7 Inch
- 5 MP Rear + 2 MP Front
- 8GB Storage
- 1.3 GHz Quad Core
- 1.5 GB RAM
- Android

Price **\$1,498**

Samsung Galaxy J5 Prime *Hot Items*

- 5 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 8GB Storage
- 1.4GHz Quad Core
- 2GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$1,698**

Samsung Galaxy Tab A 10.1 *Hot Items*

- 10.1 Inch
- 8MP Rear + 2MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- Octa-core 1.6 GHz
- 2GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G

Price **\$1,999**

Samsung Galaxy C5 Pro *NEW*

- 5.2 Inch
- 16MP Rear + 16 Front
- 64GB Storage
- 2.2GHz Octa Core
- 4GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Dual SIM

Price **\$2,798**

Samsung Galaxy A7 2017 *NEW*

- 5.7 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 5MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- Octa-core 1.9 GHz
- 3GB RAM
- 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual Sim
- Fingerprint

Price **\$2,699**

Samsung Galaxy C7 Pro *NEW 50 Downpayment Hot Items*

- 5.7 Inch
- 16MP Rear + 16MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- 2.2GHz Octa Core
- 4GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM
- Fingerprint

Price **\$3,098**

Samsung Galaxy C9 Pro *NEW Hot Items*

- 6 Inch
- 16MP Rear + 16MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- 1.44GHz Octa Core
- 6GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
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- Fingerprint

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Samsung Galaxy S8 *NEW*

- 6.2 Inch
- 12MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 64GB Storage
- Octa-Core 4x2.35 GHz
- 6GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Fingerprint
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Samsung Galaxy S8+ (128 GB) *NEW Hot Items*

- 6.2 Inch
- 12MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 128GB Storage
- Octa-Core 4x2.35 GHz
- 6GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Fingerprint
- Iris Scanner

Price **\$6,998**

Sony Xperia XA1 *50 Downpayment Hot Items*

- 5 Inch
- 23MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- 2.3GHz Octa Core
- 3GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G

Price **\$1,990**

Sony Xperia XA1 Ultra

- 6.0 Inch
- 23MP Rear + 16MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- 2.3 GHz Octa-core
- 4GB RAM
- Android 7.0 Nougat
- 4G
- Dual Sim

Price **\$2,599**

Sony Xperia XZs *NEW*

- 5.2 Inch
- 19MP Rear + 13MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- 1.6GHz Quad Core
- 4GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G

Price **\$3,990**

Sugar Y9 *NEW*

- 5.5 Inch
- 13MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 32GB Storage
- Quad-Core 1.4GHz
- 3GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Fingerprint

Price **\$1,298**

Kata C3 **Kata V5** **Kata Selife** **Kata Tmini 4**

Huawei T2 7 LTE **Hot Items**



- 7 Inch
- 2MP Rear + 2MP Front
- 16GB Storage
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- 1GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
- 4G

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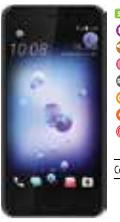
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Low Downpayment



- 5.0 Inch
- 5MP Rear + 5MP Front
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- Quad-core 1.4 GHz
- 1GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
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- Dual Sim

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Low Downpayment



Price **\$730**

Naviforce 9049 **NEW**
Low Downpayment



Price **\$259**

Nokia 3310 **NEW**
Low Downpayment



- 2.4 Inch
- 2MP Front
- 16GB Storage
- 2G

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Hot Items



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Low Downpayment



Price **\$740**

Alba Active 3111 **NEW**
Low Downpayment



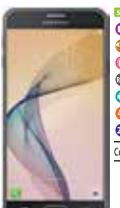
Price **\$680**

Alba Fashion AG8494X1 **NEW**
Low Downpayment



Price **\$960**

Samsung Galaxy J7 Prime **Low Downpayment**
Hot Items



- 5.5"
- 13 MP Rear + 8MP Front
- 32 GB Storage
- 1.36Hz Octa Core
- 3 GB RAM
- Android 6.0.1 Marshmallow
- 4G
- Dual SIM

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Romoss DP10 10000mAh Power Bank **NEW**
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- Fingerprint

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- 8 MP Rear + 5 MP Front
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- Quad core 1.3GHz
- 1GB RAM
- Android 6.0 Marshmallow
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- 6 Inch
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- 3GB RAM
- Android 6.0.1 Marshmallow
- 4G

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Kenwood Blender 011 Low Downpayment



Price **\$499**

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Price **\$498**

Omron Pulse Massager NEW Low Downpayment



Price **\$840**

Omron Wrist Blood Pressure NEW Low Downpayment



Price **\$588**

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Panasonic Hair Dryer 51 Low Downpayment



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Philips Essentialcare Hair Dryer 603 Low Downpayment



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Panasonic Lady Epilator Low Downpayment



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Panasonic Rice Cooker 105 Low Downpayment



Price **\$359**

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39 states call for end on PH drug war

By Maia Lopez

AT least 39 countries, including the United States, Canada and Australia, have pressed Manila to end the killings arising from President Rodrigo Duterte's bloody war on drugs.

The 39 countries signed a joint statement calling on the Duterte administration to uphold the "universal principles of democratic accountability and the rule of law" as it continues its anti-narcotics campaign. More than 3,800 people have been killed by the police in anti-drug operations since Duterte took office last year.

In their statement, which was delivered by Iceland during the 36th session of the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva, the 39 countries urged the Philippine government "to take all necessary measures to bring these killings to an end and cooperate with the international community to pursue appropriate investigations into these incidents."

"We remain concerned about the thou-

sands of killings and climate of impunity associated with the war on drugs, and note recent stated commitments to observe due process in investigating these crimes," read the statement.

The 39 countries also called on the Duterte administration to allow UN special rapporteur on extrajudicial killings, Agnes Callamard, to visit the Philippines without preconditions or limitations.

The Philippines, however, has agreed to accommodate any Special Rapporteur on Summary Execution to investigate the country's human rights situation but not Callamard, accusing the latter of "pre-judging" the government after she supposedly called Duterte a "murderer."

"We will fully cooperate and work with you on a rationale, open, fair dialogue on our campaign against crime and illegal drugs," Foreign Affairs secretary Alan Peter Cayetano said during his meeting with UN secretary-general Antonio Guterres.

DFA spokesman Robespierre Bolivar explained that the government decided

against inviting Callamard to do the probe because she already passed judgment on the anti-drug efforts of the administration.

"SFA (Cayetano) was referring to the fact that Ms. Callamard made conclusions and passed judgment on the Philippines even before engaging our officials. That being said, the most important issue is the objectivity and impartiality of the UN experts," he said.

"An SR (Special Rapporteur) should not be making conclusions or passing judgments on a country or government prior to actually having a constructive dialogue with that government.

"Otherwise her impartiality and objectivity to conduct the inquiry is severely compromised," Bolivar said.

Duterte earlier agreed to invite UN experts to investigate the increase in extrajudicial killings in the country, but asked Callamard to engage him in a public debate. The President also required the UN Special Rapporteurs to request an approval first on the places they plan to visit.

Duterte strikes back, threatens probe vs Ombudsman

PRESIDENT Rodrigo Duterte has threatened to create a fact-finding commission to investigate officials of the Office of the Ombudsman after the latter started its probe on his alleged ill-gotten wealth, including his supposed joint accounts with his children.

Duterte hinted that personnel of the Office of the Ombudsman were taking bribes to make cases go away as he also accused the anti-graft body of selective justice and partiality after learning that no Liberal Party members were being investigated for their misuse of funds through the Disbursement Acceleration Program, which was struck down as illegal by the Supreme Court.

"You have to be investigated also. One of these days, I'm coming after you because of your

partiality," the President said. "If you snub the summons (of the fact-finding commission), I will order the military and the police to arrest you."

Duterte also vowed not to cooperate with the investigation started by the anti-graft court into his bank transactions as he warned Deputy Ombudsman Melchor Arthur Carandang that he had better start praying because if the country went to the dogs, he would go after him first.

"I will not submit to their jurisdiction... Weaving fabricated evidence, lying through your teeth in front of the nation and then you want me to submit to the jurisdiction of the Ombudsman," Duterte said, contradicting an earlier Palace statement that he respects the anti-graft court and trusts its impartiality.

A group of lawyers led by former lawmakers Jacinto Paras and Glenn Chong already filed an administrative complaint against Carandang, whom they accused of being part of "synchronized efforts to destabilize the government."

"Maybe they want power grab. Carandang is very obvious - he is a yellow appointee," Paras said.

The Office of the Ombudsman, however, said it will continue to investigate the President's wealth and that of his family.

"Sorry, Mr. President but this office shall not be intimidated. The President's announcement that he intends to form a commission to investigate the Ombudsman appears to be a retaliation to our on-going investigation," it said.

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Danley denies Vegas shooting link

By Maia Lopez



Danley

a quiet future together with him," Danley said in a statement read by her lawyer, Matthew Lombar, as she returned to the United States from the Philippines.

"He never said anything to me or took any action that I was aware of that I understood in any way to be a warning that something horrible like this was going to happen," she added.

Danley noted that two weeks prior to the shooting, Paddock informed her he found a cheap plane ticket for her to visit her family in the Philippines.

Paddock also wired her \$100,000 to buy a house in the Philippines.

"It never occurred to me in any way whatsoever that he was planning violence

against anyone," said Danley, an Australian citizen who moved to the United States 20 years ago to work on the casino strip.

US authorities remained at a loss as to how Paddock, a 64-year-old gambler and retired accountant, hauled a vast arsenal of weapons to his hotel room where he launched his assault.

The attack unfolded in just 10 minutes from the first shot to the last, but Paddock was not confirmed dead for more than an hour after.

According to his brother Eric Paddock, the shooter was a high-stakes gambler and their bank-robber father was once on the FBI's 10 Most Wanted list.

But Eric said his brother had led an otherwise normal life. "He liked to play video poker. He went on cruises. He sent his mother cookies...We're lost."

Immigration officials at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport said Paddock had visited the Philippines in 2013 and 2014 and stayed for a total of 12 days.

Wanted Pinoy killed by Malaysian cops

By Maia Lopez

Authorities later recovered from Tarab a revolver, three rounds of ammunition, and a sword.

"We know him well because he is wanted by police to facilitate investigation over several cases involving robbery against fishermen at sea," Deputy Inspector-General of Police Rashid Ibrahim said.

"We also believe that based on preliminary investigation, we have successfully solved several robbery cases and cut off the communication between the KFR group and informers, who are spying for them," he added.

A Filipino wanted for kidnap-for-ransom activities and robbing fishermen at sea was shot dead by Malaysian authorities off Pulau Burung.

The man, identified as Masurati In-sawani alias Tarab, was arrested previously for robbery but police had to release him due to lack of evidence.

He reportedly opened fire at policemen who were conducting sea-based security operation, prompting the officers to shoot back.



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Wake-up call

THE public trust and satisfaction in President Duterte fell to the lowest level of his presidency last month. The Social Weather Station survey in September showed that Mr. Duterte's net satisfaction, a rating of the President's performance, was down 18 points to 48. Mr. Duterte's net trust rating, which gauges public sentiment about his personality, also fell from 75 percent to 60 percent in June. After a year of being bombarded by criticisms from the opposition, the teflon finally broke. Honey-moon with the public is over.

Presidential Spokesperson Ernesto Abella insists that "the love is still there" but, like in any marriage, that could quickly dissipate. It's a good thing that Chief Presidential Legal Counsel Salvador Panelo conceded the latest SWS survey reflected the sentiment of various sectors

"outraged by what they perceived to be an unjustified killing" of teenagers, like Kian Loyd delos Santos, by policemen.

It's also good that the President afterwards designated the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency as the "sole agency" of the government's war on drugs.

This should hopefully put an end to the extrajudicial killings, many of whose victims were the poor. It should be noted the President's satisfaction rating fell particularly among the poorest of the poor—Class E—from 67 percent to 35 percent.

The President should now focus on infrastructure. "Build! Build! Build! instead of "Kill! Kill! Kill!" Sign the bank waiver to finally set to rest the claim of Sen. Antonio Trillanes IV that he amassed ill-gotten wealth. The President should heed the public's wake-up call.



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Haplos at Bigwas

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Divorce ba ay kailangan ng OFWs?

Ano ang mas higit na kailangan ng mga OFWs? Batas ba sa divorce? O isang batas para obligadong magbigay ng regular financial support ang ama ng mga menor de edad na mga anak ng OFW?

Tuwang tuwa ang mahigit 200 OFWs na dumalo sa konsulado para mapakinggan ang ilang miyembro ng Phil. Congress na tumalakay sa ilang panukalang batas para magkaroon ng divorce sa Pinas. Masarap isipin at pakinggan kung may divorce na sa Pinas. Pero sa tutoo lang, suntok pa sa buwan o panaginip ang divorce sa Pinas!

Ang Reproductive Health Law na magbibigay ng artificial contraceptives sa mga Pinay ay inabot ng 14 taon bago naging batas. Hanggang ngayon ay hindi pa rin maipatupad ang batas na ito -- dahil sa pagtutol ng Catholic Church. Dahil tutol din ang simbahan sa divorce, malamang magtagal din bago maipasa ang panukalang batas ukol dito. Ang mga congressman at senador na gustong bumalik uli sa puwesto nila ay malamang hindi suportahan

ang batas na ito. Bakit? Dahil takot silang mawalan ng boto -- lalo pa kung simbahan ang kalaban nila. Dahil bibilang pa ng taon bago maipasa ang batas ukol divorce, mas praktikal at makakatulong sa mga OFWs kung obligahin sana sa batas na ang ama ng mga menor de edad na mga anak ng OFWs ay magbigay ng regular o monthly financial support. Marami sa mga OFWs sa Hong Kong at iba pang lugar ang single mothers kaya mabigat ang pasan nila sa buhay.

Ang mga ama ng mga menor de edad na mga anak ay dapat tumulong sa mga OFWs para suportahan ang mga anak. Inutil ang ilang batas na dapat sanang tutulong sa mga OFWs para panagutin at suportahan ng kanila ama ang mga menor de edad na anak ng mga OFWs na single mothers ngayon.

Financial support sa mga menor de edad na mga anak -- hindi panaginip na divorce -- ang mas higit na kailangan ng mga OFWs ngayon.



Currents

Norman Uy
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Dagdag Buwis(et) Pala

TODO-LARGA na ang takbo ng TRAIN. Hindi po ito ordinaryong tren, kabayan, kahit na ang pagragasa nito ay maaring makapinsala sa iyo.

Ang tinutukoy ko ay ang pinaspasapan ngayon sa Kongreso at Senado na mag-ing bagong batas kaugnay ng tax reform package ng gobyerno. Tinutulak ng mga economic managers ng gobyerno sa pangunguna ng Department of Finance (DOF) na maratipika na ang Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion o TRAIN.

Panalo ba o talo ang mas maraming Pilipino sa panukalang batas na ito?

Sa panukala ng DOF, itataas ang ceiling ng income tax. Ibig sabihin kung ikaw ay kumikita ng Php250,000 sa loob ng isang taon, hindi ka na bubuwisan. Wow, ang dangang pakinggan!

Pero ayon mismo sa DOF, mawawala ang Php144 bilyon sa gobyerno kapag isinagawa ito. Saan bale kukunin ng pamahalaan ang buwis na hindi na baba-

yanan ng mga manggagawa?

Ayon sa panukala, magpapatong ng panibagong excise tax sa mga produktong petrolyo. Mayroon ding bagong buwis para sa mga produktong gumagamit ng asukal lalo na sa mga inumin. Tataas ang buwis sa mga bibili ng sasakyan. Mayroon ding pagtanggap ng exemption sa VAT sa ilang mga produkto o serbisyo tulad ng pabahay o kaya ay mga kooperatiba.

Sa tantya ng DOF, mababawi ng gobyerno ang Php 144 bilyon nawala sa koleksyon ng income tax -- dahil tinaasan nga ang ceiling - kapag naipalit ang mga bagong buwis na ito. Hindi lang mababawi ang nawala, maaari pang madagdagan ang revenue o kita ng gobyerno.

Ang hindi sinasabi ng DOF, ang aktwal na take home pay ng mga manggagawa ay bababa pa nga kung susumahin ang natipid nito sa income tax dahil papalitan naman ng mga samu't saring buwis sa

mga konsyumer. S

a tantya nga ng IBON, isang sikat na research agency sa bansa, ang pinakamahirap na 60 milyong Pilipino ay magbabayad pa sumatotal ng mas malaking buwis sa ilalim ng panukalang TRAIN dahil nga sa magaganap na pagtaas ng presyo ng pagkain, inumin, LPG, pama-sahe, kuryente, pabahay, at iba pang basic commodities at services na kailangan nilang bilhin.

Kapag natuloy ang TRAIN, sasagasaan nito ang pang-araw na araw na badyet ng ating mga pamilya. Handa na ba ang bulsa mo, kabayan?

Magandang pakinggan ang salitang "reporma" kung totoong maghahatid ng ginhawa o kaluwagan sa masa. Pero kung dagdag-buwis(et) lamang pala, mag-isip isip din tayo kung dapat ngang tangkilin ang panukalang tax reform na iyan. Stop the TRAIN, kung kinakailangan, bago pa tayo masagasaan.

Dear Editor

Dear Hong Kong News,

Magandang araw sa inyong lahat, mga kapamilya at kapuso na bahagi ng Hong Kong News.

Isa ako sa inyong masugid na tagasubaybay ng inyong pahayagan, kahit na uso na ang online news ay sinisiguro ko pa rin na makakuhang ako ng inyong newspaper 2 beses isang buwan.

Nagpasya akong sumulat upang ihayag ang aking saloobin sa kabibigay na 100HKD increase ng sahod

namin ng Hong Kong Government.

Kahit papaano ay nagpapasalamat na ako sa dagdag, para sa akin mas mabuti na ito kay sa wala. Kahit papaano ay may maitutulong na rin. Pwede na itong gawing dagdag ipon o gamitin sa anumang bagay na may kabuluhan.

Ang ipinagdadadal ko lang ay sana sa susunod ay ibigay na sa amin ang aming "food allowance".

Isa ako sa kulang sa pagkain, kadalasan ay "instant noodles" at kung may kanin ay limitado lang. Alam ko

marami din ang may gusto na mangyari ito.

Umaasa ako na sa pamamagitan ng inyong pahayagan ay mapaabot ang aming hinaing sa kinauukulan na mapasakamay na namin ang food allowance para makain namin ang gusto naming kainin.

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Nahilo sa amoy

By Imelda Mae **Bustinera**

ANG Pinoy raw ay malinis sa katawan kaya naman kahit pawis na pawis ay mabango pa rin. Pero may kumontra yata.

Habang hinihintay ni Barbie, 33, may asawa at anak, tubong Iloilo, ang pinsan na nakapila sa ahensiya ng gobyerno ng Pilipinas dito Hongkong ay napansin niyang umalis ang sinusundan ng pinsan at nakatakip ng ilong ang nasa harapan ng sinusundan na niya at nagtakip na rin ng ilong ang pinsan niya.

Napakunot ng noo at taas ng kilay si Barbie sa pagtataka. Maya-maya narinig ni Barbie nagreklamo ang nasa harapan ng sinusundan ng pinsan na ang bagal naman at nahihilo na raw siya. May mga sumang ayon nga raw. Inakala ni Barbie na marahil sa init at kulang sa tulog pagod o gutom ang mga ito. Nang makatapos ang pinsan ay tinanong agad ni Barbie ang pinsan kung anong nangyari. Ikinuwento ng pinsan kay Barbie ang pangyayari. Nakakahilo daw talaga ang magpigil ka ng paghinga. Ang sama daw ng singaw

ng kili-kili ng babaing sinusundan niya. Nakakalungkot at nakakaawa daw na may Pinay na hindi marunong mag-alaga sa katawan. Akala raw niya ibang lahi lang ang pabaya sa personal na kalinisan sa katawan. Marami naman raw paraan kung paano maiwasan ang mangamoy kung pagpawisan. Kung namamahalan raw sa nabibiling anti-perspirant ay mura lang ang baking soda. Sabagay sa sobrang lina daw ng mga Pinoy isinasawsaw pa sa mainit na kape ang tinapay pero pakatapos ay iinumun din ang kapeng pinaghugasan.

Naninibago sa bagong amo

By B. **Cruz**

NAG-break ng contract si Vicky pero natuwa at nakahanap kaagad ng bagong amo para sa kanya ang employment agency na pinuntahan niya sa Central.

Kahit sa Sheung Shui ang bagong employer na retired teacher, okay lang kay Vicky dahil may extra traveling allowance naman daw na ibibigay sa kanya, ayon sa agency.

Mababait naman daw ang staff ng

agency pero feeling niya parang may kakulangan ang info tungkol sa employer. Tama ang hinala niya kasi noong nag-report na siya, saka lang niya nalaman na magkatabing flat ang pagmamay-ari ng amo na dapat linisin araw-araw kahit wala namang nakatira.

Gusto din ng amo puro hand wash kaya walang washing machine sa bahay, at hindi pwedeng mag-stock ng sariling pagkain sa ref kahit prutas man lang. Hindi rin pwedeng sumalungat sa sasa-

bihin ng amo kung ayaw mong makarinig ng kakaibang sigaw, at nakabantay kada minu-minuto at tinitignan palagi kung may germs ang bawa't pinunasan na pauli-ulit kahit malinis na malinis na.

Kahit hirap siya sa kakaibang estilo ng amo na super metikulosa sa linis, tiis-tiis lang daw at makaka adjust din, ayon sa payo ng mga kaibigan at agency nang ito'y binalikan niya para isiwalat ang natuklasan. Kakausapin daw ng agency ang amo.

Napalapit dahil sa masarap na luto

By Victoria Reyes **Munar**

SI Wena, 42, dalaga, tubong Batangas, ay anim na buwan pa lang sa kanyang bagong amo.

Ang kanyang dating alaga ay mag-asawang may-edad na. Hindi biro ang trabaho niya sa dating mga amo kaya nagpasya siyang humanap ng bagong amo nang matapos ang kanyang kontrata.

Nagpasya siyang humanap ng may aalagaang bata sa kagustuhan niyang maranasan din ang pag-aalaga ng bata. Kahit na dalaga si Wena ay likas siyang magiliw sa mga bata kaya nagpursigi siyang humanap ng bagong amo na tugma sa kagustuhan niya.

Sa dami ng kanyang pagpipilian, nahirapan si Wena na magdesisyon. Pinili niya ang isang pamilya sa Midlevels na may dalawang anak, isang lalake na 10 taong gulang at babae na anim na taong gulang.

Tuwang- tuwa siya dahil matutupad na rin ang pangarap niya na makapag-alaga ng mga bata. Taliwas sa kanyang inaasahan ang nangyari, sobrang ilap at parang ayaw lumapit sa kanya ng mga bata lalo na ang batang babae.

Sa kanyang unang buwan dumating na sa puntong parang gusto na niyang sumuko dahil sa malamig na pagtanggap ng mga bata sa kanya. Nag-isip si Wena kung ano ang gagawin. Nagtanong-tanong siya ng opinyon ng kanyang mga kaibigan. Ibat-ibang paraan ang iminungkahi nila.

Sinubukan niya ang payo ng isa na pag-igihan ang pagluluto ng mga pagkaing gustong-gusto ng mga bata. Tinulungan siya ng isang kaibigan ng mga lutong siguradong magugustuhan ng mga bata.

Unti-unti ay napalapit ang loob ng mga bata kay Wena. Kung noon ay halos ayaw

lumapit o tumabi ng mga bata sa kanya ngayon ay madalas na silang naglalambing lalo na kung malapit na ang oras ng kainan.

Kaya ngayon ay masaya na siya sa kanyang bagong trabaho. Tuwang -tuwa din ang kanyang mga amo dahil nakuha niya

ang loob ng mga bata at naging masunurin pa sa kanya.

Nagbunga din ang kanyang pagtitiyaga, mahal na mahal siya ng mga batang alaga kahit ilang buwan pa lang siya sa kanila. May naidulot na mabuti ang masasarap na luto ni Wena!

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Sharon nagpasaring sa home network

By Cristy Kasilag

FEELING naetsapwera si Mega Star Sharon Cuneta nang hindi siya kaagad nabigyan ng imbitasyon para dumalo sa taunang Star Magic Ball.

Hindi tulad ng iba na hindi mga kasikatang artista na malamang ay mananahimik

na lamang sa isang tabi para magmukmok dahil hindi siya makakadalo sa isa sa pinakaglamorosing pagtitipon ng mga artista ng ABS-CBN, nagpost si Mega Star ng kanyang sentimento sa pangyayari dahil hindi daw siya plastik.

Pero kahit na nagtatampo siya sa Star Magic, kung saan siya ay naging parte ng

Kapamilya ng ilang taon at nagbigay din niningning sa ABS-CBN, alam niya kung ano ang kanyang halaga. "I know my worth."

Matagal na sa sa industriya ng showbiz si Sharon, kung saan nagsimula siya sa edad ng 12 taong gulang. Sa loob ng 40 taon niya bilang singer, artista at host

ay kalahati ng panahon na iyon o 20 taon ay nasa tuktok siya ng kanyang kasikatan, kung saan siya ay hinangaan ng mga tunay na Sharonians.

Hiram ang linya sa sikat na Disney na "Lilo and Stitch", post ng 51-taong gulang Sharon ang mensahe sa kanyang Instagram account na "Ohana means family.

Family means nobody gets left behind or forgotten."

Nagtatampo daw talaga siya dahil wala siyang nakuhang imbitasyon para sa 25th Star Magic Ball na ginawa nuong ika-30 ng Setyembre.

"I have to admit I am a bit hurt and quite insulted. I guess the saying isn't always true. I just wanted to be with my big family. But then it is just a ball," ang sabi niya.

At kahit na may dumating na imbitasyon sa kanya isang araw bago ang Star Magic Ball ay nagsabi siya na hindi na sila pupunta ng kanyang mister, Senator Francis Pangilinan, dahil wala siyang naihandang damit.

Ang dahilan daw diumano ay hindi mahagilap ng organizers ng ball ang address ng kanyang bahay kaya natagalan ipadala ang imbitasyon.

Inaya pa nga siya ng kaibigan na mang-aawit na si Martin Nievara para maging date niya sa gabi na iyon pero tinaggihan niya ito at nagpasalamat na lang sa kanyang imbitasyon.

Friends with ex's exes?

SOMETIMES, the best kind of friendships are the ones you least expect. But what if that friendship is with your ex-boyfriend's ex-girlfriend? Can you really be friends with women who have dated your ex-lover?

GMA Network brings to light an extraordinary story about three women who formed an unlikely but strong friendship after discovering that in different times in their lives, they were romantically linked with the same guy. This primetime series is headlined by three beautiful, talented and versatile Kapuso leading ladies: Rhian Ramos, Max Collins and Lovi Poe.

Rhian is Zoe, a happy-go-lucky and flirty swimwear designer. She comes from a wealthy family and lives in an upscale condo. Zoe lacks parental love that is why she becomes desperate for love and attention. Max is Darcy. She is strong-willed and practical. A personal trainer who always speaks her mind, Darcy likes to do things herself and hates relying on others. She lives alone in a small apartment and gives financial support to her siblings in the province. Lovi is Alex, a workaholic with a sunny disposition and everything she does is on schedule. She works in a cable network and dreams of hosting her own travel show.



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Horoscope



Capricorn

December 22 to January 19

Ito ang panahon upang gumawa ng isang makatotohanang pagtingin sa salamin at tanungin ang iyong sarili kung ano ang maari mong gawin upang mapabuti ang iyong hitsura.



Aquarius

January 20 to February 18

Gawin ang tama upang magpatuloy ang isang kamangha-manghang taon para sa iyo at sa iyong reputasyon. Anuman ang sitwasyon sa ngayon, iwasang maging marahas sa desisyon.



Pisces

February 19 to March 20

Iritado ka ngayon sa mga mahal mo sa buhay. Malamang tumagal iyan, kung hindi mo uunawain ang dahilan ng inis mo.



Aries

March 21 to April 19

Mataas ang iyong ambisyon, hindi ka titigil hangga't hindi mo iyon maabot. Panatilihin ang iyong mga paa sa lupa, hinay-hinay lang.



Taurus

April 20 to May 20

Lagi kang may opinion sa anumang bagay na may kinalaman sa relihiyon, pulitika o isyu sa lahi. Isipin mo rin na baka ayaw naman nilang makinig sa mga gusto mong sabihin.



Gemini

May 21 to June 20

Gumawa ka ng plano para sa nalalapit na Pasko. Marami ang umaasam na kahit papaano ay mabahaginan mo ng mga biyayang dumarating sa iyo.



Cancer

June 21 to July 22

Napapabayaang mo na ang iyong kalusugan. Mag-ingat dahil naroon ka sa "burnout stage" ngayon.



Leo

July 23 to August 22

Parang isang bombilyang ilaw ang makikita mo sa isang oportunidad na babagsak sa pananahon mo. Huwag ka nang magpatumpik-tumpik pa, ito na ang pagkakataon mo.



Virgo

August 23 to September 22

Gusto mong gamitin ang iyong enerhiya upang mapabuti ang isang romantikong relasyon, Gawin ito upang mas sumaya ang buhay.



Libra

September 23 to October 22

Ang pag-aayos ng bahay at opisina ang mga pangunahin sa mga gusto mong gawin ngayon. Tama! Dapat mong pahalagahan ang itsura ng iyong kapaligiran.



Scorpio

October 23 to November 21

Natural sa iyo ang maging tahasan at direkta. Kadalasan ay natatawag kang taklesa o takleso dahil walang preno ang bibig mo. Mag-isip muna bago buksan ang bibig.



Sagittarius

November 22 to December 21

Nag-aalala ka dahil pagod ka na't walang oras para sa sarili at pamilya ay wala pa ring asenso. Pag-aralan kung saan may problema.

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For many of us Chicken & Potato Salad was and still is a comfort food. For this edition, we teach you how to make this all-time favorite.

Ingredients:

1 bottle Mayonnaise
1 medium size white onions finely chopped
1 breast chicken boiled and flaked
1 pound potatoes boiled and cut into cubes
¼ cup chopped celery
½ cup yogurt
salt and pepper to taste
1/8 cup caster sugar

Procedure:

In a bowl, mix all ingredients such as chicken, potatoes, celery, onions, yogurt, mayonnaise.

Stir in sugar, salt and pepper to taste.

Chill for about 20-30 minutes.

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By Chef Jay Dator



Juan: Bakit maswerte ang kalaendaryo?

Pedro: Bakit?

Juan: Dahil marami siyang date.

Juan: Bakit malungkot ang kalaendaryo?

Pedro: Bakit?

Juan: Kasi bilang na ang araw niya.

Juan: Anong puno ang di pwedeng akyatin?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, yung nakatumba.

Juan: Ano ang similarity ng utot at tula?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, pareho silang nagsimula sa POET.

Juan: Ano ang pwede mong gawin sa gabi na hindi mo pwedeng gawin sa umaga?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, magpuyat.

Juan: Ano ang pagkakaiba ng Biology at Sociology?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, pag ang sanggol kamukha ng tatay Biology yun, pag kamukha ng kapitbahay ninyo ang sanggol, sociology iyon!

Juan: May tatlong lalaki ang tumalon sa tubig, ilan ang nabasa ang buhok?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, wala kalbo silang lahat eh.

Juan: Ano ang maraming sakay jeepney o ambulansya?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, ang ambulansya kasi ang jeepney ay 10-10 lang ang bawat side; samantalang sa ambulansya, madalas na 50-50 ang sakay.

Juan: Bakit gising magdamag ang bampira?

Pedro: Bakit?

Juan: Kasi nag-aaral sila para sa kanilang blood test!

Juan: Ano ang makuha mo sa baboy na magaling magkarate?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, PORK CHOP.

Juan: Bakit kailangang lagyan ng gulong ang rocking chair ni lola?

Pedro: Bakit?

Juan: Eh di, para makapag rock and roll siya.

Juan: Ano ang binibigay ng doctor sa ibon na may sakit?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, TWEETMENT.

Juan: Ano ang mas nakakadiri sa uod na nakita mo sa iyong prutas?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di yung kalahating uod na lang...

Juan: Ano ang tawag ng batang langgam sa sister ng mother niya?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, ANTY.

Juan: Anong bagay ang nagsisimula sa T at nagtatapos sa T at may T rin sa loob?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, TEAPOT.

Juan: Ano ang pinakatamad na letter sa English Alphabet?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, LETTER E, kasi laging nasa BED eh.

Juan: Ano ang mangyayari kapag nahulog mo ang isang pulang sombrero sa asul na dagat?

Pedro: Ano?

Juan: Eh di, mababasa yung sombrero.

Juan: Paano mo hahatiin sa dalawa ang dagat?

Pedro: Paano?

Juan: Gagamit ng SEASAW!

Juan: Paano mo hahatiin sa dalawa ang dagat?

Pedro: Paano?

Juan: Gagamit ng SEASAW!

Juan: Saan nagpapagupit ang mga tupa?

Pedro: Saan?

Juan: Eh di baa-baa shop!

Crossword Puzzle

PAHALANG

- Kinaaalawan
- Ibibigay sa iba
- Not applicable
- Sangkap ng tinapay
- Ingay ng daga
- Pakpak
- Ina ni Maria
- Hindi sigurado
- Malapad na dahon
- Kanta ni Freddie Aguilar
- Ipinapahayag
- Pangadlo
- Hayop; Ingles
- Muro _____
- Muli
- Tatak ng sabon noon
- Los Angeles
- Itudla
- Kurso sa Kolehiyo
- Ibiyahe
- Napalaya

PABABA

- Pinuhunan
- Simbolo ng nickel
- Barkilyos
- Botelya
- Ipinasuksok ang baraha
- Uri ng tela
- Unang bilang
- Oo sa Pampanga
- Nakakatunggali
- Estado sa America
- Isusulat
- Dahilan
- Parang
- Salitang pananong
- Muhammad _____
- Aninag
- Banat
- Balat ng palay
- Diwata
- Internet Provider
- Palayaw ni Alejandro

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Answer to last puzzle

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