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## Significance of the Aquino Assassination

Posted by karlom87 - 2007/08/20 23:04

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Exactly twenty four years ago, on August 23, 1983, Senator Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino Jr. was assassinated by the henchmen of the Marcos dictatorship.

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## Re:Significance of the Aquino Assassination

Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/21 15:12

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Posted by linsi - 2007/08/22 06:36

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Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/22 22:19

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## Re:Significance of the Aquino Assassination

Posted by stormrage10 - 2007/08/24 13:15

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Ninoy was a hero. He stood up against the Marcos regime and his dictatorship. infairness in the time of Marcos many establishments and infrastructure improvements are done. its sad to say the image has been tainted by evil :whistle:

i believe Marcos intention for dictatorship is to control the NPA's and other filipino's who only knows is to whine and seek terror. its just Marcos official is so d@mn corrupt and greedy on their powers.

I agree Cory was not corrupt but with Ramos? the doubt is still there :woohoo:

I guess on the military coups, its nice to see subordinates defy their commanding chief if the chief itself is not doing good ;) they are not puppets to be controlled by a power tripping person :blush:

Regarding with Erap. that's what i call charisma :P well honestly i rather have ERAP than GMA right now in terms of charisma...in erap's time prices are not high not like now but i still believe in GMA's skills it is just she should know who are the best persons on the position she is giving away..Raul Gonzales for Sec. of DOJ? duh?!!! :ohmy: LMAO! :evil:

For Trillanes situation well filipinos love underdogs. Here in the Philippines you would say that the "MASA" or the average and not so rich people has the voice. accompanied by the Party List the voice are shouted out (somehow).

Trillanes conducted a mutiny stating that he and his boys will not anymore support the corrupt government and they stand with their principles and the people love that kind of persons.

well pinoy's i think are just aware that this current government is not that doing good.

passing the anti terror bill is a terror to all. its not built for terrorist its built to destroy leftist and people who practices what we call "FREEDOM OF SPEECH"

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## Re:Significance of the Aquino Assassination

Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/24 18:48

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For GMA, that I didn't mention in my last reply. I am in very much troubles. At first I was very happy but later I didn't know what to think because she didn't improve your country economy.

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## Re:Significance of the Aquino Assassination

Posted by karlom87 - 2007/08/26 23:27

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You are welcome Jacques.

The country's situation improved with Marcos' fall in the sense that there was democratic space once agan. There is freedom of speech, of assembly, of the press, to organize, etc. etc.

On the other hand, power remains at the hands of an oligarchic class of big compradors-landed owners-corrupt bureaucrats. Political instability and the disparity between the rich and the poor remains wide as ever.

Sadly, whatever democratic gains that was won by ousting Marcos is now being squandered by the present administration under Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo.

The country seems to be moving back to the dark era that was martial law.

Extrajudicial killings, summary executions, massacres, enforced disappearances, and political harassments are now mounting against trade unionists, human rights activists, student leaders, peasant organizers, church social workers, dissidents, and other ordinary civilians working for social transformation (but who unfortunately found the GMA admin and its corrupt ways a hinderance to development.)

Since 2001, more than 800 has been killed and 200 are missing. Locally, the Commission on Human Rights, the Melo Commission, and the human rights group Karapatan has tagged the military in these human rights abuses. Internationally, the Amnesty International, the United Nations, the Human Rights Watch, etc. has also come up with the same conclusions.

Until now, not one of the culprits has been prosecuted or even brought to trial.

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## Re:Significance of the Aquino Assassination

Posted by Jacques - 2007/08/26 23:38

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Yes Karlom87, I read all what you said on the current situations in your country. I am very disappointed by Mrs Arroyo

