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## KAPOLEI MOTHER, SON STILL COPING WITH IMPACTS OF HIT-AND-RUN

By Glenn WAKAI



13-year-old Christian Mahuna and his mother Ellena Young still recovering from a hit-and-run incident last year.

Thirteen-year old Christian Mahuna gingerly walks down the stairs in his home—stairs he used to run up and down with ease. But that was more than a year ago. On February 2, 2007 the boy's blissful life took a devastating turn.

Christian was on Roosevelt Road in Kalaehoa, waiting for a school bus to pick him up at 7:30 a.m. Because the grass was wet, the Kapolei Middle School student was sitting on the curb. The quiet calm of the morning abruptly ended when Christian heard a screeching sound. The next thing he remembers seeing was a white Ford Mustang barreling towards him. In an instant, he was on his back feeling pain in his legs. The car was nowhere to be seen.

Three cars drive by the injured boy. Number four stops to help. A woman gets out and calls 9-1-1. Before Christian passes out, he manages to tell the Good Samaritan to call his

mother's cell phone.

Ellena Young was getting ready for work when she got a call that no mother wants to receive. The Good Samaritan said her son had just been hit by a car and was on the side of the road. Young initially thought Christian was dead and frantically rushed out of her home. When she arrived at the scene, her son was already being taken to Queen's Medical Center.

### SEVERE INJURIES

Christian suffered compound fractures and underwent surgery to place steel rods in both

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## Filipino Community Observes 110th Anniversary of Philippines' Independence

By Carlota ADER

A stirring performance by internationally-acclaimed violin virtuoso Jay Cayuya highlighted the evening's festivities marking the 110th anniversary celebration of the Philippines' Independence held June 11, 2008 at the Honolulu Country Club.

Over 400 guests were on-hand for the gala reception, including Honolulu Mayor

Mufi Hannemann and notable business and community leaders.

The evening began with beautiful renditions of the Philippine and American national anthems sung by Consul Paul Cortes and Rossi Patton of the Philippine Consulate. Cayuya later serenaded the audience

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## Why Many Police Colonels Failed Napolcom Test

By Michael PUNONGBAYAN

Questions involving emotions, morality, and politics proved to be the stumbling blocks for almost 400 ranking police officials who flunked the National Police Commission's (Napolcom) Police Executive Service Eligibility (PESE) examination, a police official said yesterday.

Their inability to make the right decisions because of politics in the Philippine National Police (PNP) caused police colonels to fail the test for their promotions, claimed one examinee who passed the exam.

"Many seemed to have encountered problems in areas of emotional quotient inventory and moral development. There were questions that will really test you, very



confusing questions if you are not used to making the right decisions," the police official, who asked not to be named.

He explained that some of the ques-

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**EDITORIAL**

# How We Educate Our Young Reflects the Country We Are

It is back to school and back to the same old problems that beset the educational system in this very unsystematic country. Foremost among these problems (foremost only because they are the most immediately apparent) are the lack of classrooms and error-filled textbooks.

Regarding the lack of classrooms, the problem is even made worse by the fact that any attempts by government to mitigate the shortage somehow gets sabotaged by the greed of those in power, such that priorities in the construction of classrooms get botched and all topsy-turvy.

Areas that do not need more classrooms often get more built, while those that have not seen new classrooms for decades continue to suffer the same lack and will have to brace for more years of waiting.

This is because powerful forces that have enough pull on the budget often succeed in "prioritizing" their favored areas, to the detriment of those that could clearly use an extra schoolbuilding but, to their great misfortune, just do not have padrinos powerful enough.

As to error-filled school books, it is clear that special committees tasked to oversee them just do not have the time, the manpower and the energy to review all books, printed by favored publishers who, to recover losses to commissions, take shortcuts elsewhere.

The result is poor learning materials for schoolchildren already suffering from either the lack of teachers or the declining abilities of those that are available and willing to take a pittance for pay.

Indeed, militant teachers took to the streets on the first day of classes to demand higher wages. At present, the salaries of teachers are no better than those of janitors and security guards, making the profession very unattractive and undignified indeed.

And yet look at how government squanders money away, money that could have been better spent for the quality education of future generations



who will one day take charge of this country.

Truly, how a country takes care of educating its young reflects on the kind of country it is. If a country just flips and tosses the education of its young as if it were simply baking pancakes, then it gets no better respect on the table of world relations than, well, pancakes. ([www.philstar.com](http://www.philstar.com)) ■

## A Resurgent Threat

Each time we think the Abu Sayyaf has been neutralized, the group manages to stage a caper dramatic enough to send the message that it is still in business. The group, loosely linked to al-Qaeda and the Southeast Asian terror network Jemaah Islamiyah, has been decapitated several times in the past. Over the years the Abu Sayyaf has lost its founding chieftain Abdurajak Abubakar Janjalani, its flamboyant spokesman Abu Sabaya, its top commanders in Sulu led by Ghalib Andang, and then Janjalani's brother and successor Khadaffy Janjalani and new spokesman Abu Sulayman.

Always, the group has managed to rise from the ashes of defeat and strike again. With help from members of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front who are disowned by the separatist group's leadership whenever they are caught, the Abu Sayyaf has returned to its old haunts in Basilan, ambushing and beheading Marines on patrol. Abu Sayyaf bandits continue to figure in armed skirmishes with the military in Sulu.

Now the group is believed to have kidnapped ABS-CBN reporter Ces Orena-Drilon, cameraman Jimmy Encarnacion and assistant cameraman Angelo Valderama. The three went missing last Sunday while reportedly on the trail of a story in Maimbung, Sulu. Also missing with them was their guide, professor Octavio Dinampo, head of the Mindanao People's Caucus. Dinampo was reportedly freed at noon yesterday.

It's not the first time that the Abu Sayyaf has kidnapped or harassed journalists. In 2000, when the group was holding hostage 21 mostly foreign captives in Sulu, journalists covering the incident were told by Abu Sayyaf members to hand over satellite phones, wristwatches, cash and even shoes. An ABS-CBN news crew was also held briefly at the time and released reportedly after paying ransom.

This time Abu Sayyaf bandits led by Gapul Jumdal and Albader Parad are believed responsible for the TV crew's kidnapping. The bandits' names do not ring a bell. Crippled by the loss of its leaders, the Abu Sayyaf has always managed to regroup, pick new leaders and sow mayhem. Will this threat ever be eliminated for good? ([www.philstar.com](http://www.philstar.com)) ■

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legs that run from his knee to his ankles. He emerged from the emergency room with a cast that ran from his hips to his feet. Young recalls her son's first words, "He told me 'Mom it hurts. Why did this happen to me?'"

Young had no answers 16 months ago, and still has no answers. The driver who crushed Christian's legs has never been caught. She still holds resentment towards the perpetrator.

"Nothing changed for this individual," she said. "He's still out there and not feeling the impact of what's happened to us."

Young has asked that anyone with information on this incident to call Crime Stoppers at 955-8300. With each passing day, she realizes that it will be less and less likely for the crime to be solved.

When asked what he would say to the driver if they are ever caught, Christians says, "Nothing. In the beginning I got mad, but over time I came to peace with it. It happened and there is nothing I can do about it."

#### PICKING UP THE PIECES

Mother and son have moved on with their lives and have found that once routine activities have become burdensome. Something as simple as leaving the house and getting into a car, used to take 10 seconds. While Christian was in a body cast, it took one hour to get him out of bed and into the car.

For nine months Young had to bathe her boy and assist him with using the restroom.

"He held up better than me," said Young. "He was more concerned about me—always saying he's sorry. I would tell him it's not his fault. Things will get better."

During the painful and slow process of recovery, Christian said he often felt lonely.

"I was so frustrated. I laid in bed all day. It made me feel useless."

While undergoing rehab, a tutor was sent to his home to make sure he didn't fall behind in his schoolwork. Six months ago, Christian returned to Kapolei Middle School.

He is still plagued by pain in his legs, depression, nightmares, and difficulty sleeping. The past continues to haunt them. Young is trying to pay off

thousands of dollars in expenses for medical treatment and equipment such as a reclining bed, wheelchair and walker.

As Christian grows, he will need more surgery and more physical therapy. Young, a single mother who was once living paycheck-to-paycheck before the incident, has found herself financially strapped. Young is a social worker

for Adult Mental Health who has spent her entire career helping others to get better. These days she leans on her colleagues for strength and encouragement. She admits that there are moments alone when she cries.

#### FUNDRAISER TO HELP

Christian's plight caught the attention of Liz Watanabe,

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Christian Mahuna being comforted by his mother, while at Queens Hospital.

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# COVER STORY

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owner of the O Lounge.

"I was so taken by Christian's situation," Watanabe says. "This could have happened to any of us and as a mom, I feel for what Ellena is going through. It tugged at my

heart to hear about the suffering she and Christian have endured. We can't undo this terrible tragedy, but each of us can help them get through this difficult time."

Watanabe is organizing a

fundraiser to assist the family with its medical expenses. The event takes place on Sunday, June 22 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm at the O Lounge. Proceeds from the \$25 ticket sales will help defray Christian's medical expenses.

Former Miss Hawaii Filipina Ellena Young remembers her happy childhood growing up in Ka'u on the Big Island. She was Miss Hawaii Filipina in 1973. The former beauty queen holds back tears as she

remembers her son's lost year.

"Who anticipates that at the age of 12 you still have to be cleaned and bathed by your mother? At age 12 most kids are trying to be independent," she says.

The resilient teen refuses to see any stop signs in his life. For him, the incident on February 2, 2007 was just a detour. Christian is walking again.

Now, he has his sights set on being a video game devel-

oper. His mother smiles at the possibilities ahead and is always offering encouragement.

Christian no longer catches the bus to school. When his mom drops him off, she tells him, "I love you. Have a good day..."

"This entire ordeal has brought us closer together. It's a joy to see him in the afternoon. I don't take him for granted anymore," she says. ■

*Glenn Wakai is the State Representative for Moanalua-Salt Lake and is a former TV news reporter.*

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ence while being accompanied by pianist Maria Lydia Gloria. His dazzling repertoire included classical, pop, rock and modern musical pieces.

Larry Ramirez from the PCCCCH Choir delivered the welcome remarks and was followed by Consul General Arie Y. Abadilla who read a personal message from Philippine President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo.

Later that evening, a fashion show featuring casual and formal Philippine attire was presented by Maricar Aquila who hails from Cebu City.

The following day on June 12th, formal Independence Day ceremonies were conducted on the grounds of the Philippine Consulate. It began with a flag raising ceremony, which was attended by community leaders and Filipino World War II veterans.

A mass officiated by Father Joven "Jojo" Junio soon followed. The audience was treated to yet another beautiful violin performance by Cayuca who played during the entire mass. Some in the audience were saddened to learn that Father Jojo will be leaving Hawaii for California after 18 years of serving the community.

After the mass, Consul General Abadilla and Ramirez delivered their remarks. The audience

then enjoyed refreshments which included chicken empanadas, arroz caldo, coffee and drinks.

Ismael Ruiz, who is with the Philippine Army and serves as assistant to the liaison officer of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, enjoyed the two-day event. It was his first time in Hawaii.

"I was impressed with how Filipinos here are very united," he says. "Everyone was very hospitable, cheerful and friendly. It felt like I was at home."

Capt. Severino David from the Philippines was another one of the attendees. He is the Philippine liaison to the U.S. Navy Pacific Command. David met several of the surviving Filipino veterans and thanked them for their service.

"I'm happy to see that there are several World War II veterans who are still living," he says. "I hope that they will soon receive the benefits that they have fought

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tions asked were meant to measure a person's ability to act against his or her own emotions, self-preservation, and politics.

The police official said one question was about what one would do against the illegal numbers game jueting if he or she was the chief of police of a certain town.

The catch, he noted, was in the choices given to the examinee vis a vis attending circumstances, "like if his immediate superior does not want him to meddle with the gambling issue, if the provincial governor has issued orders to put a halt to the same, and if the chief of the PNP knows about jueting activities in his area of jurisdiction and is doing nothing because the big boss appears to be on the take."

The PESE was administered



*The anti-riot division of the Philippine National Police*

by the Napolcom to ranking members of the PNP holding superintendent ranks, equivalent to a colonel in the military, for them to be promoted to senior superintendent, chief superintendent, directors, deputy directors, or director generals.

Of the 542 police officials

who took the test last May 25 in various testing centers nationwide, only 149 passed, for a 27 percent passing rate.

Of the number of examinees who passed, 117 were from Luzon, 18 were from the Visayas, and 14 from Mindanao. (www.philstar.com) ■

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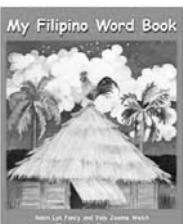
## Filipino For Kids

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The program will be held on Saturdays, from June 21 through July 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Filipino Community Center in Waipahu.

The deadline to register for the program is June 19. Enrollment will be limited to the first 25 children who sign-up. The cost is \$25. A special t-shirt will be available for \$10.

Participants who complete the four session program will receive a free copy of "My Filipino Word Book," a CD of Filipino kids' songs and a certificate of participation.



The program is sponsored by the Filipino Community Center, the University of the Philippines Alumni Association and the UH Filipino Program and Katiupunan Club.

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## TD Food Group Promotes Chad Marcello



**TD FOOD GROUP** has announced the promotion of Chad Marcello to restaurant general manager of Long John Silver's & A&W in Millinari.

He most recently worked as warehouse supervisor for Palama Holdings LLC and Swift & Company. An Ewa Beach resident,

Marcello has several years of experience in the food and beverage industry, having worked as a restaurant general manager for Pizza Hut and district manager

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## Jeepney Finds Home at Children's Discovery Center

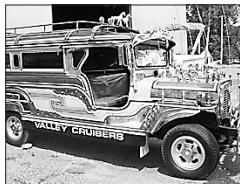
A PHILIPPINE-MADE JEEPNEY has joined the Filipino House exhibit at the Hawaii Children's Discovery Center.

The customized, kid-sized jeepney was shipped 5,280 miles to Hawaii as part of Philippine Independence Day celebrations. The jeepney can be found at the Center's "Your Rainbow World" gallery—one of four galleries that feature hands-on, interactive exhibits.

"We're excited to have such a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn more about the Philippines and to share in our understanding and appreciation for the customs, celebrations and rich culture of such an important segment of our population here in Hawaii," says Loreeta Yajima, president and CEO of the Children's Discovery Center.

Two years ago, Yajima approached Eddie Flores of L&L Hawaiian Barbecue for help in revamping the Filipino exhibit. He hit upon the idea of the colorful iconic Jeepney, the most popular means of transportation in the Philippines.

Yajima thanked Flores and other Filipino community leaders for their assistance in bringing the jeepney to the Center, including Lito Alcantara of Group Builders and Robin Campaniano of AIG Hawaii. The Filipino Association of University Women also worked with the Center to enhance the Filipino exhibit's educational play opportunities for children. ■



*King of the Road:*  
The Filipino Jeepney

## New Miss Oahu Filipino Crowned



(L-R) First runner-up Lovely May Orsino, Queen Krystle Acidio and second runner-up Bianca Castillo.

Jenyca Gasmen relinquished her crown to Krystle Acidio, who was named the new Miss Oahu Filipino last June at the Pearl City Cultural Center.

It was a difficult decision for the judges because the contestants were all talented and beautiful. Acidio impressed the judges during the pre-pageant interview. She also won the term speech and talent competitions.

First runner-up went to Lovely Orsino who was basking suit pose of the competition. The second runner-

up went Bianca Castillo.

Acido won a roundtrip to the Philippines and will represent OFCC at the UFCH Convention in Las Vegas from July 21-26, 2008. She will also receive a \$1,000 scholarship and another \$1,000 in cash.

The Miss Oahu Filipino Pageant is the biggest fundraising scholarship project for OFCC, which awards scholarships to 10 deserving students every year. The current OFCC president is Franklin Borromeo. Vice president Civilana Longboy chaired the pageant. ■

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## RP Court Cases Take An Average of 6 Years to Resolve

COURT CASES IN THE PHILIPPINES take an average of six years to resolve, slowing down justice and undermining trust in the rule of law, a senator said Wednesday.

Sen. Francis Pangilinan blamed the delays on shortages of judges and prosecutors. Justice Secretary Raul Gonzalez said the government has trouble hiring prosecutors because the salary is "not attractive."

"If a case takes six years, can we call that justice?" Pangilinan said in a statement.

He said only 900 of the 1,500 prosecutors needed nationwide are on the job. The country also has 463 judicial vacancies.

Pangilinan said a study by his office shows it takes an average of six years from the time a case is filed until a judge issues a decision. The period doesn't include appeals.

He said just adding more judges and prosecutors would reduce the "case life" by two or three years.

Gonzalez said a senior government prosecutor gets about P30,000 (\$674) a month — only about 60 percent of what a lawyer could get in some of the country's top firms.

Gonzalez also said many prosecutors decline assignments in remote, sometimes dangerous areas.



Sen. Francis Pangilinan

An attorney must practice law for five years before being hired by a government prosecutor, thus denying new law graduates from joining the Justice Department's prosecutorial arm. He said many prosecutors apply to become judges, causing attrition.

He said a bill pending in Congress would improve the salary scales of prosecutors to boost a new law giving them additional allowances.

"The impact (of the lack of prosecutors) is that it can affect the justice system," he said. "Justice grinds slowly."

Pangilinan said the bigger problem would be if our people lose their trust in the law." ([www.philstar.com](http://www.philstar.com)) ■

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## 9,000 Child Workers Return to School

by Mayen JAYMALLIN

**THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR** and Employment (DOLE) began yesterday the implementation of a four-year project aimed at providing free education to over 9,000 child workers in the country.

This means that child workers nationwide can now look forward to a better future as they abandon their jobs and go back to school, labor officials said.

Labor Secretary Mariano Roque said the DOLE is signing today with the World Vision Development Foundation (WVDF) and the Christian Children's Fund (CCF) an agreement to implement the project and give child workers access to educational opportunities.

Roque said the project, dubbed "Pag-aaral ng mga Bata Para sa Kinabukasan" (ABK2) or Take Every Action for Children (TEACH), would be undertaken with grants from the United States' Department of Labor.

Under the project, DOLE said children who used to work in the mining industry, pyrotechnics and sugarcane plantations will be back in class this school year.

Former scavengers, domestic helpers, fishermen, and child

prostitutes are also among the beneficiaries of the program.

After four years of project implementation, some 30,000 child workers are expected to complete elementary and secondary education.

Roque said representatives from the DOLE, WVDF, CCF, and other social partners in the national drive against child labor would gather at the Bulacan State University (BSU) in Malolos, Bulacan where the main celebration of World Day Against Child Labor will be held today.

He said the theme of the celebration, "Education is the right response to child labor," underscores the importance of education as a major strategy in preventing and eliminating child labor.

"Child workers often find themselves forced to drop out of school in favor of working to supplement family income or simply support themselves, but this time, they have the chance for a better future," he said.

To help the children sustain their schooling, Roque said the ABK2 project would provide resources and access to relevant education programs to beneficiaries. ([www.philstar.com](http://www.philstar.com)) ■

## House Resolution on Land Acquisition, Distribution Useless – Pimentel

by Christine MENDEZ

**THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES'** joint resolution on land acquisition and distribution became useless after the Senate did not act on it prior to adjournment on Wednesday.

Senate Minority Leader Aquilino Pimentel Jr. said the resolution was "too late in the day" because the Senate still needs additional information and documents from Agrarian Reform Secretary Nasser Pangandaman before they would act on the renewal of the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP) which expired last June 10.

Pimentel said Pangandaman's report still lacked certain information that he and other senators need to decide on the legislative measure extending CARP.

"In general, the accounting of the CARP funds made by Secretary Pangandaman is okay. But I still need additional details on the identification of landowners whose lands were acquired and paid for by the government during his stint and what assistance or support services were directly given to specific land reform beneficiaries," Pimentel said.

As this developed, the farmers group Panay Federation of Sugarcane Farmers Inc. (PFSFI) urged the Senate yesterday to allocate the remaining P12-billion budget for CARP for the unpaid owners of lands acquired and distributed by the Department of



Agrarian Reform (DAR) as of June 2008.

The PFSFI's appeal came a day after the House of Representatives passed a joint resolution allowing the DAR to use the remaining CARP budget for land acquisition and distribution.

"Why must new lands be acquired if the government has not even paid for millions of hectares previously taken from landowners?" said PFSFI president Francis Trenas in his letter to Senate President Manuel Villar, adding that the Constitution declares that just compensation is guaranteed when the state expropriates private property.

During the May 21 hearing of the Senate committee on agrarian reform, Pangandaman reported that the total area of land taken for agrarian reform is already 7.1-million hectares as of 2007.

In the same hearing, Land Bank officials said it had approved payment for 500,000 hectares only, estimated at P37 billion.

Out of this figure, a total of 500,000 hectares have been fully paid under the agrarian reform program, Trenas said. ([www.philstar.com](http://www.philstar.com)) ■

# Ces, TV Crew in JI Custody

by Roel PAREÑO

**ZAMBOANGA CITY** — A Malaysian Jemaah Islamiyah (JI) bomb expert with a \$5-million bounty on his head is holding broadcast journalist Ces Orefia-Drlon and her two cameramen in a remote jungle base of the Abu Sayyaf in Sulu, military sources said yesterday.

Authorities, meanwhile, have begun negotiations with the kidnapers for the release of Drlon, a reporter of ABS-CBN News, and cameramen Jimmy Encarnacion and Angelo Valderama. Police said on Tuesday that the terrorists had released Drlon's guide, Mindanao State University professor Octavio Dinampo.

In a statement, ABS-CBN finally admitted that the group had been kidnapped. The network ruled out paying ransom.

"ABS-CBN News is doing everything it can to help the families of its kidnapped journalists through this harrowing ordeal," it said.

"However, ABS-CBN News will abide by its policy not to pay ransom because this would embolden kidnap-for-ransom groups to abduct other journalists, putting more lives at risk."

It was earlier reported that the terrorists were demanding a \$10-million ransom.

Sulu Gov. Sakur Tan said a crisis management team has been formed to negotiate with the rebels. It was not clear if it was the same group that has begun talks with the extremist group. Tan said no group has yet claimed responsibility for the kidnapping.

Police spokesman Chief Superintendent Nicancor Bartolome said a crisis management committee has designated a negotiator to work for the release of the journalists.

"The negotiator is somebody who has better grasp of the area," said Bartolome. "The negotiator has started to locate groups or individuals who could help us locate Drlon's group."

A military source who declined to be named said Malaysian JI bomb expert Zulkifli Bin Hir alias Marwan and Abu Sayyaf leaders Umra Jumdad alias Dr. Abu Pula, Alabdar Parad, and a certain Jimba and Albi were holding the missing journalists.

"As of now Ces and her crew are with Abu Pula and Zulkifli Marwan and other Abu Sayyaf militants in the jungle base," the source said.

A U.S.-trained engineer, Zulkifli of Muar, Johor in Malaysia is principal suspect in many bombing attacks in the Philippines where he has been in hiding since August 2003 and training Islamic militants in handling explosive devices.

The US government placed a \$5-million reward for his capture.

## 'GREAT POSSIBILITY' OF RELEASE

Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao police Chief Superintendent Joel Goliao said there was a "great possibility" that the journalist would be freed, but would not say who was involved in the negotiations.

"Negotiations are being conducted," Goliao said in a radio interview.



ABS-CBN's Ces Orefia-Drlon

"There is a great possibility that we will obtain the release of Ces Drlon... but we cannot give an exact date."

It is understood, although not confirmed officially, that the kidnappers may have dropped their original ransom demand and are now asking payment for "billeting" the hostages which means the same thing but could be more acceptable.

Military spokesman Col.

Ernesto Torres said "there is a lot of information coming in (about Drlon) so we are continuously validating all of this information."

He reiterated the government's position against paying ransom to kidnappers.

Drlon is the third local journalist to be kidnapped by the Abu Sayyaf since 2000.

Goliao also appealed to reporters not to come to Jolo to cover the Drlon kidnapping. "We cannot safeguard them all and they may enter unsecured areas without our knowledge and what happened to Ces may happen to them," he said.

## INT'L MEDIA GROUPS ALARMED

of dropping out of school, risking their health or even their lives," Niimi noted.

More than ever, the ILO official said children need good quality education and training to get better and decent jobs in the future or help them start their own business.

"A young boy carrying heavy boxes, scavenging or harvesting in the field may earn P40 or P50 a day — enough to keep a family from falling apart. Still, a few pesos cannot change their world the way an education can," said Niimi.

The number of working children aged 5-14 years old already went down from 913,000 in October 2003 to 774,000 in October 2005, with the drop more pronounced among younger children aged 5-9 — from 135,000 in October 2003 to 98,000 in October 2005.

Yet, Niimi said the fight against child labor remains a challenge and the most effective way is to improve access to and quality of education.

"We have to ensure that child workers are successfully integrated in schools and that they do not return to work until they grow up and acquire education and training," Niimi stressed. (www.philstar.com)

# ILO: Failure to Educate More Costly

by Mayen JAYMALIN

**DESPITE THE RISING COST** of tuition, it would be costlier in the long run not to invest in education, the International Labor Organization (ILO) said.

The Philippines and other developing countries lose \$92 billion annually because fewer girls are being sent to school as they often suffer discrimination in education, according to ILO.

"Educated girls are more likely than their uneducated sisters to have better income as adults, marry later, and have fewer and healthier children and stronger decision-making power," said ILO subregional office deputy director Keiko Niimi.

Niimi added that educated girls are more likely to ensure that their own children get the same privilege and prevent them from being forced into child labor.

Niimi however pointed out that in the Philippines more boys than girls appear to be in school.

According to the ILO official,

girls in the Philippines and other developing countries worldwide are more vulnerable to suffering discrimination when it comes to education.

"Parents living in poverty often must choose whether to educate their children or send them to work to help support the family. In some cases, children attending school must walk long distances, face inadequate quality education, poor physical facilities or lack of study material," Niimi explained.

In most developing countries like the Philippines, Niimi also said teachers might receive little support, training or poor salaries, while parents cannot afford to pay school fees, textbooks and uniforms.

Citing recent Department of Education (DepEd) data, Niimi said participation rate or net enrollment rate in schools in the Philippines at this time was the lowest in seven years, from 96.77 percent in 2000-2001 to 83.22 percent in 2006-2007.

"When families have limited resources, children as young as five are forced to work at the cost

The abduction of Drlon and her crew has been widely criticized by journalism groups both here and abroad.

"We hope that those who have abducted the journalists and their guide will hear the appeals being made on their behalf by many of the country's leading figures," said the international press group Reporters Without Borders.

The Paris-based group said the Abu Sayyaf had been responsible for the kidnapping of more than 30 journalists over the years.

"Taking hostages is unacceptable. We call on all those (who) could have any influence over the kidnappers to try to get Drlon and her colleagues released."

"The fears held for the ABS-

CBN crew are a stark reminder that journalism in the Philippines has not ceased to be an incredibly dangerous profession and we honor those journalists who work for press freedom under such difficult circumstances," said the Asia-Pacific branch of the Brussels-based International Federation of Journalists (IFJ).

"We are deeply concerned for the safety of these three journalists," said Bob Dietz, Asia program coordinator of the New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists.

"It is great cause for concern that this volatile southern region of the Philippines remains insecure for the press, and we call on local authorities to work diligently to secure their safe and swift release," he said. (www.philstar.com)

# BCP Disappointed Over CA Confirmation of Enrile's Wife as Vatican Envoy

by Evelyn MACAIRAN

**AN OFFICIAL OF THE CATHOLIC** Bishops' Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) yesterday expressed disappointment on the confirmation of the wife of Sen. Juan Ponce Enrile as the country's ambassador to the Vatican.

In an interview with Radio Veritas, CBCP Canon Law chairman and Tagbilaran Bishop Leonardo Medroso said that while it is the prerogative of the bicameral committee to confirm Cristina Ponce Enrile as the country's envoy to Rome, he said he was not pleased with the decision.

"That is their (bicameral commission) prerogative because this is the right of the sovereign. So both parties, the Vatican and the

Republic of the Philippines, have the right to send who they think are worthy or qualified country representatives. It is now between the two countries," said Bishop Medroso.

When asked if the CBCP was disappointed with the news, he answered in the affirmative.

The Tagbilaran Bishop explained, "We were not consulted. They should have asked the CBCP's opinion. But it will still be up to the President if she would accept or not our recommendations."

The Church officials could draft a letter but he could not say if it would amount to anything since it is the right of the government to appoint the person who they believe is suited for the position. (www.philstar.com)



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# PHILIPPINE NEWS

## GMA Warned Against 'Last-Minute' Appointments to Comelec

by Aurea CALICA

### SENATE MINORITY LEADER

Aquilino Pimentel Jr. and Senate Majority Leader Francis Pangilinan warned President Arroyo yesterday against filling up the three vacant posts for commissioners at the Commission on Elections (Comelec) "at the last minute" as this would fuel suspicions that she would place "operators" in the poll body for the 2010 elections.

Pimentel cited the case of former Comelec commissioner Virgilio Garcillano who was appointed a few months before the 2004 elections.

Garcillano's appointment became highly controversial in the 2004 presidential election after all-

legations of vote-padding and shaving (dagdag-bawas) cropped up. He was later accused of conspiring with the President in rigging votes, supposedly evidenced by a telephone conversation that has come to be known as the "Hello, Gaci" controversy.

Pimentel and Pangilinan said it is important to complete the seats at the Comelec to enable the poll body to effectively discharge its functions, especially in overseeing the elections in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) this August.

The two Senate leaders said the appointment of new commissioners is more urgent in view of the death last month of Commis-

sioner Romeo Brawner and the decision of the Commission on Appointments to suspend the confirmation of the nomination of Commissioner Moslemene Macarambon due to an unresolved complaint against him. The Comelec, Pimentel said, is virtually crippled with only three commissioners in office - Chairman Jose Melo, and Commissioners Rene Sarmiento and Nicodemo Ferrer.

He said this has slowed down the Comelec's resolution of pending cases, particularly protests filed by candidates in the May 2007 congressional and local elections and the October 2007 barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan polls.

Pimentel said he saw no reason for the President's continued foot-dragging on filling up the Comelec vacancies, considering that the names of several nominees had been submitted by the Malacañang search committee and non-government organizations like the Parish Pastoral Council for Responsible Voting and National Citizens Movement for Free Elections.

"I can understand the frustration of our people over the President's failure to heed their persistent appeal for the appointment of new Comelec commissioners, which amounts to negligence and an irresponsible act," the minority leader said.

Pimentel reiterated his longstanding suggestion for the President to appoint at least one election commissioner from a list



Sen. Aquilino Pimentel Jr.

of nominees submitted by the opposition, just like what the late President Ferdinand Marcos did shortly before the February 1986 presidential election.

He said this would erase public apprehensions that the massive fraud that tainted the 2004 presidential election might be repeated in 2010.

Pangilinan, on the other hand, said the Comelec had assured the ARMM polls would be automated, voting would be easy, and vote-counting fast. ([www.philstar.com](http://www.philstar.com)) ■

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## SC Chief Scores Rights Violations

by Jerry BOTIAL

### CHIEF JUSTICE REYNATO

Puno lamented the continued suppression of human rights in the country, which he said undermines the nation's independence.

Puno, the keynote speaker at the 110th Independence Day celebration rites at the Andres Bonifacio Monument in Caloocan City, said the government has failed to stop unexplained killings and forced disappearances of activists.

He said that political, economic and civil rights are largely being suppressed in the country.

"Ang kalyahan ay di pa natin lubos na natatamo (Our freedom has not been won completely). It can't be denied that extralegal killings and forced disappearances are still happening (in the country). Most of the victims oppose the existing ideology in the society, government critics and even journalists," said Puno.

He said the human rights organizations have criticized the



Chief Justice Reynato Puno

tions many defeated candidates go out on the streets to protest alleged cheating in the polls.

Puno said that the people's socio-economic rights are also undermined.

He said the National Statistics Office (NSO) reported that prices of basic commodities rose from 12 percent in April this year to 14.3 percent this month.

The price of rice increased by 31.7 percent within the last five months.

He said the Development Bank of the Philippines has estimated that for every 10 percent increase in the price of food in the country some 2.3 million Filipinos end even poorer.

He said that in 2006, the National Statistics Coordinating Board declared that over 4.7 million families have become poor.

He said roughly 24.7 million Filipinos have become subsistence poor or the so-called "isang kahig, isang tuka" (hand to mouth existence). ([www.philstar.com](http://www.philstar.com)) ■

## MAINLAND NEWS

### Congress Approves Legislation to Extend Unemployment Benefits

#### CONGRESSWOMAN MAZIE

K. Hiroko and a bipartisan majority of her colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives approved legislation that will aid workers who have lost their jobs as a result of the faltering economy.

The Emergency Extended Unemployment Compensation Act will immediately provide up to 13 weeks of extended unemployment benefits to jobless workers in every state. Lawmakers voted 274 to 137 to approve the extended benefits.

"Over 300,000 Americans have lost their jobs since the start

of the year," Hiroko says. "They must also cope with the rising costs of basic necessities. Passing this bill was the right thing to do for Hawaii's workers and the smart thing to do for our economy."

Americans nationwide are facing higher costs of living and as well as the highest unemployment rate in 20 years. For the fifth straight month, the U.S. economy lost jobs and unemployment rose from 5.0 percent in April 2008 to 5.5 percent in May 2008. The economy has lost nearly 325,000 jobs this year and 8.5 million

Americans are unemployed.

In states with higher levels of unemployment (6 percent or higher), an additional 13 weeks would be available, for a total of 26 weeks of extended benefits. The legislation will be paid for through federal unemployment trust funds.

Hiroko criticized the Bush Administration for opposing the legislation.

"The White House should not stand between unemployed workers and the relief they need," added Hiroko. "President Bush should work with us to turn the economy around." ■

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## Filipina Artist Wins Top Prize in Nevada Contest

**SHERIE STA. CRUZ-SLOANE**, a Filipino artist from Illinois, bested hundreds of entries in the recent Strathmore ATC & ACEO International Exhibition and Art Competition held in Reno, Nevada.

ATCs and ACEOs stand for Artist Trading Cards and Art Cards Editions and Origami. These individual art miniatures are roughly 2.5 by 3.5 inches in size.

Two of Sta. Cruz-Sloane's paintings made it to the prestigious competition.

Her winning entry "Chicago Spring" is a watercolor painting of Downtown Chicago which won the "Best of Show" award. The remarkable details in Sherie's miniature paintings and her approach to her subjects impressed the judges.

"I'm overflowing with happiness," she says. "Taking time out to paint has been a challenge for a new mom like myself. My husband and family's support have paid off. I feel so blessed."

Aside from painting, Sta. Cruz-Sloane also writes a weekly art blog. Her inspirational essays, stories and poetry have gained a loyal following since her blog was launched last February.

Some of Sta. Cruz-Sloane's works have been on display at Art World Chicago and the prestigious London-based Saatchi On-



Sherie Sta. Cruz-Sloane

line Gallery. She is also a contributing artist in the popular online gallery, "Daily Painters Marketplace."

Sta. Cruz-Sloane started painting in oil in 1999 after her father's death. She found healing by channeling her grief through art. A self-taught artist, the only formal art education she received was during a 10-day painting workshop she attended in 1999.

Sta. Cruz-Sloane grew up in Antipolo with humble beginnings. She and her three sisters learned to value creativity and to appreciate the simple things in life. Most of the toys and games they loved to play were their own creations. Sta. Cruz-Sloane went on to graduate cum laude with an accounting degree from a state university in Manila. Although her education paved the way for her to become a senior executive in several multi-national companies, she continued to pursue her love for painting with every opportunity.

Prior to arriving in the U.S. in October 2005, she was an active member of The Art Association of the Philippines and The Aquarellists, a water media art group in the Philippines. She is also a member of The Art Association of the Philippines. ■

## Filipino Domestic Workers in NY Urge Passage of Bill of Rights

(NEW YORK CITY)—Members of Damayan Migrant Workers Association, together with over 100 workers rights advocates from around the country, attended the first-ever Domestic Workers Congress held at Barnard College.

Damayan members are calling attention to what they claim is a glaring lack of rights for the nation's domestic workforce, including no paid vacations or holidays, insurance or paid sick days. In the New York City area, there are an estimated 200,000 domestic workers. Filipinos, the vast majority of whom are women, comprise at least 15 percent of this workforce.

In addition, statistics from the National Domestic Workers Alliance (NDWA) show that one-third of all domestic workers suffer from some form of abuse from their employers.

To address their concerns, domestic workers' organizations have been working on a comprehensive Bill of Rights that would establish labor standards for New York's domestic workers. The New York State Domestic Workers Bill of Rights is the first state bill in the nation that would create labor rights for this growing workforce. The NDWA anticipates that the initiative will set the stage for similar initiatives around the country.

Damayan members and their supporters recently rallied at City Hall to support the passage of the New York State Domestic Workers Bill of Rights.



Domestic workers' showing solidarity

"We all came here for the American dream but all we got is the nightmare," says Damayan member Linda Abad. "Our fight for a Bill of Rights embodies the struggle of immigrant domestic workers for equal recognition, protection and fair labor standards normally accorded to American workers. But this fight goes beyond our rights and welfare. It is a struggle against globalization that exploits our labor, and patriarchy that oppresses us as women."

Advocates are confident that the formation of the Domestic Workers Congress will result in greater recognition and support for domestic workers' rights.

"The Congress served as a catalyst in advancing both a national domestic workers movement and for invigorating a working class women's rights movement," Abad says. "We will make sure that Filipino domestic workers will be a part of this struggle." ■



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## LEGAL NOTES

### Shorter Green Card Wait for Nannies

(Skilled Workers) category.

Under the SOC job description, nannies are in charge of "care for children in private households and provide support and expertise to parents in satisfying children's physical, emotional, intellectual and social needs." Their duties may include meal planning and preparation, laundry and clothing care, organization of play activities and outings, discipline, intellectual stimulation, language activities and transportation.

The reclassification of nannies under the EB-3 Skilled Workers category means that there are more visa numbers available and the waiting time for a green card will be shorter. On the other hand, "Other Workers" are only allocated 10,000 visas worldwide per year.

For instance, the June 2008 Visa Bulletin issued by the Department of State shows the availability of immigrant visa numbers for EB-3 Philippine ap-

plicants with priority dates on or before March 1, 2006, the date for the "other workers" category is January 1, 2003.

The employer can petition for either a live-in or live-out nanny.

To be able to petition for a foreign nanny to work permanently in the U.S., the employer must require as minimum qualification two years experience in the job. The worker should be able to provide documentation of two years experience as a nanny. These requirements should be considered typical for the position and not excessive requirements.

The employer has to offer and pay the prevailing wage for that occupation in the area of intended employment.

For both live-in and live-out nannies, the employer is required to undergo specific recruitment efforts. The employer needs to maintain a recruitment file which includes a recruitment summary, the posting notice, prevailing wage determination, job order

placement, newspaper advertisements, responses and recruitment outcomes for audit purpose.

For live-in nannies, additional documentation is required. There must be a statement describing the worker's living accommodations, number of rooms, number of adults and children in household. Free board and a private room should be provided.

The applicant must be offered a full-time, permanent position in the US. Two copies of the employment contract have to be submitted. The employer must also prove a business necessity for the live-in requirement. This can be done by documentation showing that both parents of the children are working and/or that their work schedules are erratic and require frequent travel and entertaining.

Once the labor certification is approved, the employer can file an I-140 petition for immigrant worker with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

It should be noted that if the nanny has been out of status in the U.S., he/she cannot file an adjustment of status application unless he/she is the beneficiary of a section 245 (I) petition or labor certification. Unlawful presence in the U.S. may subject him/her to a 3-year bar (if the unlawful presence lasted at least 180 days) or a 10-year bar (if one year or more). ■

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by Reuben S.  
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Nannies used to wait for a very long time before they could get a green card because they were considered unskilled workers and classified under the "Other Workers" category for employment-based immigration.

When the Program Electronic Review Management (PERM) was implemented on March 25, 2005, nannies were reclassified under the Department of Labor's Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) and the requirements for the position fell under the EB-3

## ■ GLOBAL NEWS

### Japanese Court Approves Citizenship For Fil-Japanese Children

TEN FILIPINO-JAPANESE children of Filipino mothers and Japanese fathers born out of wedlock have been granted the right to Japanese nationality, according to Japan's Supreme Court in a landmark ruling rendered in early June 2008.

In a 12-3 vote, the Court ruled unconstitutional a provision in the Japanese Nationality Law that states that such children can only become citizens of the mother's home country. The children, ages 8-14, were born out of wedlock and recognized by their Japanese fathers only after they were born. Under existing Japanese law, a Japanese father has to recognize the child as his before the birth in order for the child to be deemed Japanese.

With this ruling, the dream of Masami Tapiro, 10, to become a police officer may finally come true. Born to a Filipino mother and a Japanese father and despite having lived in Japan all her life,

Masami is not Japanese because her father recognized her as his child after her birth.

Interestingly, her sister, Naomi Sato, 6, has Japanese nationality because their father recognized her as his child while she was still in the womb.

"I want to help her dream come true," said Rosanna Tapiro, 43, their mother. "We should confront the fact that we are in a new era and society is becoming multicultural."

The Filipino mothers and their children, aided by Japanese lawyers, went through a long, protracted legal battle. After filing suit in 2003, the Tokyo District Court ruled in their favor in a 2005 decision, acknowledging that the clause found in the Nationality Law "obstructs the constitutional right to equality" that put the plaintiffs at "an immense disadvantage."

However, the Tokyo High Court overturned the District Court's ruling on grounds that the Nationality Law is justified and does not interfere

with the constitutional right to equality. The High Court stated that the decision to grant nationality is "an inherent right of the State," and that it did not have the authority to confer nationality to the children.

In overturning the High Court's decision, the Supreme Court ruled that the provision in the law resulted in "discrimination without any rational reason," thus violating Article 14 of the Japanese Constitution, which stipulates equality under the law.

In finding unlawful the clause requiring that the parents be married, the ruling stated that "disadvantages caused to the children by this biased treatment cannot be disregarded."

"Such children face an identity crisis," says Rieko Ito, general secretary of the Citizens' Network for Japanese-Filipino. "These children can receive welfare benefits as long as they have residential status but will not have the right to vote as adults. We are afraid they will feel alienated and face discrimination in job-hunting activities." ■

Zalameda's stellar tennis career at UCLA. The Intercollegiate Tennis Association named Zalameda as the Senior Player of the Year. She also earned the Pac-10 Player of the Year Award.

Prior to the tournament, she had already won the Pac-10 Conference's Singles title.

Zalameda joins an elite group of only six UCLA athletes who have been named All-Americans four times during their collegiate careers. ([www.philfortune.com](http://www.philfortune.com)) ■

## Fil-Am Tennis Ace Leads UCLA to First NCAA Championship

UCLA'S RIZA ZALAMEDA clinched her school's first ever women's Team Tennis Championship and also captured the NCAA Doubles Championship with partner Tracy Lin.

Zalameda's feats came during the NCAA National Tennis tournament held in Tulsa, Oklahoma in late May. Zalameda clinched the team championship when she de-

feated her opponent from UC-Berkeley, which gave the Lady Bruins a 4-0 series sweep and earned Zalameda the tournament's Most Outstanding Player award.

In the same tournament, Zalameda and Lin captured the NCAA Tennis Doubles Championship after defeating their opponents from CSU-Fresno State.

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**K**as ati tinawen a maangay ti panakombension ti OAHU FILIPINO COMMUNITY COUNCIL napakaammuanen dagiti maseknan a gunglo a kamen ti OFCC a maaramid ti kombension keni Hunio 21, 2008 iday ALA MOANA HOTEL.

Nasurok a walopo dagiti napakaammuanen a gunglo a mangsungbat, mangabarao, ken mangisted ti nagan dagiti dele-

gadoda. Hunio 7, 2008 ti kaudian nga aldaw a panangited ti membership fee, delegate fee, ken nomination form.

Itoy a maisursurat daytoy, Hunio 10, awan pay ti kompleto a listaan dagiti nagpabaro a gunglo.

Maymaya pay la ti nagpadlaw ngay agklikagum a para presidente. Adda metten nagpadlaw a papili a bise ken director.

Iti nasaksakaw a gundaway, naalmadadmadi nga adda dua ngay agklikagum iti kinapresidente. Banag a nasayat daytoy a paglisahan ti "silibbag a tanggagay" dagiti kabakast a medio nabayagen a saanda a nagspararang weno dimmangdangay kadagit dadduma a gannuat ken aktibidad.

ti OFCC gapu iti personal a rasonda a pangibokbokan ti panawenda, mabalin iti trabaho, Pamilla wenno salut-n.

"Saan pay niga ita," kinunadaan dinamagni. "Tulungan ni lattan na asinonto man ti mabutosan." innayonda.

SILLULKAT A KAYANON TI OFCC A PAKITIPONAN. Adu dagiti proyekto a mabalbin ngay ipatungo, uray asino man dagit mangimmatmata.

Ti OFCC ti masao a "payong" dagiti organisasion a Filipino iti Oahu. Kameng ti OFCC iti United Filipino Council of Hawaii, naga isu met ti statewide organization.

Nairanta ti OFCC a pagtitigilnan dagiti gunglo mainaga iti para katagabinetin ti kultura, kannawidan, dagiti kababalin ni Filipino a naggapan man iday pagilinan, weno dagiti saringida, nayanakada man sadiy weno iti basaliw ngem adda ramudita kadagiti illi, probinsia, eskuelana ken dagiti man rehiun a naggapanit ramudita.

Dagityo ngay ugali, galad, kultura ken tradision ti mapadur-as babaen iti masnoga ngay objectives weno goyo ti maslina a provincial, municipal, fraternity, brotherhood, alumni ken dadumda a grupo.

Nasin-aw ken nababat ti panggep ti OFCC a binangon dagiti immuna-una a kadaaran. Nabuangay idai 1959 ken immuna a nagpresidente daydi Dios-ti aludua a Justo dela Cruz a tubo iti Laog City.

Simmaruno met a nagpan-gulo dagiti dadduma pay babaen iti eleksion weno makuna a succession. Agingana kadagito nga aldaw, agtuluyot latid dagiti aktibidad. Nupay addan dagiti pima-naw iti "naisanggayan a panagsubli wenno panagawid iti nagsaya ka taeng"; adda met dagiti pimanaw a saaen ngay amnio ti yanda, weno ar-amradendra; adda latid met dagiti agtuluyot a makiparpartisipar gapu iti na-panagerseb iti ken panangpildito a pannaklanglanngen iti nagan iti espiritu ti serbisio ti komunitad ken iti panabolgutan iti panawan.

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