

HDO issued against ex-Davao del Norte solon

By JEFFREY G. DAMICO

The Sandiganbayan Second Division has issued a hold departure order (HDO) against former Davao del Norte Representative Arrel Olano, who has been charged in connection with the Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF) or pork barrel scam.

In its HDO, the anti-graft court directed the Bureau of Immigration (BI) "to hold the departure from the Philippines of (Olano) and to include

(his name) in the Hold Departure List of the said Bureau."

The tribunal issued the HDO "in the exercise of its inherent power to use all means necessary to carry its orders into effect, more specifically, to preserve and maintain the effectiveness of its jurisdiction over the case/s and the person/s of the accused so as to render accused at all times amenable to its writs and processes."

Olano has been charged with three counts of graft, three counts of malversation of public funds and one count of

direct bribery for his involvement in the PDAF scam.

His co-accused in the graft and malversation cases are also included in the HDO the alleged brains behind the pork barrel scam Janet Lim Napoles, Department of Budget and Management (DBM) Undersecretary Mario Relampagos, and former employees Rosario Nuñez, Marilou Bare and Lalaine Paule; Technology Resource Center (TRC) former Director General Antonio Ortiz, former deputy director general Dennis Cunanan, former group managers Maria

Rosalinda Laesamana and Francisco Figura, former internal auditor Maurine Dimaranan, former budget officer Consuelo Lilian Espiritu, and former chief accountant Marivic Jover.

Under the charges, Olano was accused of having received kickbacks worth P3.175 million from Napoles in exchange for assigning projects under his PDAF to non-government organizations (NGOs) controlled by the alleged pork barrel mastermind.

The Ombudsman found that, in 2007, a total of P7.72 million of his PDAF were released to two NGOs allegedly controlled by Napoles, namely, the Countrywide Agri and Rural Economic Development Foundation Inc. (CARED) and the Philippines Social Development Foundation Inc. (PSDFT).

Despite the release of the large sums, the Ombudsman discovered that none of the projects were ever implemented by the NGOs.

Discrepancies in votes cast reported in Lanao del Norte

By CHARINA CLARISSE L. ECHALUCE

Discrepancies in the number of votes coming from Lanao del Norte were reported to the Commission on Elections (Comelec), yesterday, during

the canvassing of votes at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) in Pasay City.

The counsels of senatorial candidates Kiko Panglinan and Francis Tolentino both reported these to the Comelec's

National Board of Canvassers yesterday afternoon.

According to the camp of Panglinan, the Certificate of Canvass (COC) disclosed that he garnered 63,625 votes in the province while the Transparency Server (TS) disclosed that he got 111,506 votes.

The counsel of Tolentino also reported that the former Metropolitan Manila Development Authority chairman got 52, 216 votes, based on the COC. But the TS stated he received 99,862 votes.

A number of discrepancies in various areas in the Philippines have also been reported since the national canvassing of votes at PICC began.

Motorcycle mishaps kill 3 in Koronadal

By JOSEPH JUBELAG

KORONADAL CITY — Two hotel and restaurant management trainees were killed after the motorcycle they were riding was bumped by a passenger bus here over the weekend.

Police identified the victims as Gladys Ann Miranda and Jolo Paranaque, both 19 years old and residents of Tacurong City.

Police said the victims were riding on a motorcycle that was being driven

by Paranaque, and were on their way to work at the Farm Resort in Barangay Carpenter Hills when a passenger bus owned by Yellow Bus Line hit them from behind.

Witnesses said the victims were thrown off by the speeding bus by some 40 meters.

Earlier in the day, a traffic enforcer was killed after a motorcycle he was driving was also side-

swiped by a Yellow Bus Line here.

Police said the victim Clarence Pedereso was driving a motorcycle on his way home when bumped by YBL a passenger bus along the national highway, General Santos Drive, this city.

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[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10807]

AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 13 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY AND NO CLASS DAY IN SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF PARANAQUE, METRO MANILA IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDATION DAY ANNIVERSARY

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. February 13 of every year is declared a special working holiday and no class day in schools in the City of Paranaque, Metro Manila in commemoration of its foundation day anniversary.

SEC. 2. For work performed on a special working holiday, an employee is entitled to his/her regular wage.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
FRANKLIN M. DRILON, President of the Senate
FELICIANO BELMONTE JR., Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives on March 16, 2015, amended by the Senate on December 14, 2015, and which amendments were concurred in by the House of Representatives on January 25, 2016.

OSCAR G. YABES, Secretary of the Senate
MARILYN B. BARUA-YAP, Secretary General House of Representatives

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BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines

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[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10808]

AN ACT CONVERTING THE PAYATAN HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY PAYATAN, MUNICIPALITY OF GOA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PAYATAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Conversion into a National High School. — The Payatan High School in Barangay Payatan, Municipality of Goa, Province of Camarines Sur is hereby converted into a national high school to be known as Payatan National High School.

SEC. 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. — All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Payatan High School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Payatan National High School.

SEC. 3. Appropriations. — The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Payatan National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Payatan High School. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Implementation. — The Secretary of Education shall issue rules and regulations that may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
FRANKLIN M. DRILON, President of the Senate
FELICIANO BELMONTE JR., Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on August 4, 2014 and February 2, 2016, respectively.

OSCAR G. YABES, Secretary of the Senate
MARILYN B. BARUA-YAP, Secretary General House of Representatives

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[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10809]

AN ACT CONVERTING INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE DUPAX DEL NORTE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL THE DUPAX DEL NORTE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - POBLACION ANNEX IN BARANGAY POBLACION OF MALASIN, MUNICIPALITY OF DUPAX DEL NORTE, PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA, AND SEPARATING IT FROM ITS MOTHER SCHOOL, THE DUPAX DEL NORTE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LAMO, MUNICIPALITY OF DUPAX DEL NORTE, PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA. HEREINAFTER RENAMED THE LAMO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9779 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The Dupax del Norte National High School - Poblacion Annex in Barangay Poblacion of Malasin, Municipality of Dupax del Norte, Province of Nueva Vizcaya is hereby converted into an independent national high school to be now known as the Dupax del Norte National High School, and separated from its mother school, the Dupax del Norte National High School situated in Barangay Lamo, Municipality of Dupax del Norte, Province of Nueva Vizcaya.

The mother school situated in Barangay Lamo, Municipality of Dupax del Norte, Province of Nueva Vizcaya shall henceforth be known as the Lamo National High School.

SEC. 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Dupax del Norte National High School - Poblacion Annex in Barangay Poblacion of Malasin, Municipality of Dupax del Norte, Province of Nueva Vizcaya are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the newly converted national high school, now known as the Dupax del Norte National High School.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the newly converted national high school, now known as the Dupax del Norte National High School. The current year's appropriation of the mother school situated in Barangay Lamo, Municipality of Dupax del Norte, Province of Nueva Vizcaya shall be absorbed by and remain with the now renamed Lamo National High School. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of both the Dupax del Norte National High School and the Lamo National High School shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Republic Act No. 9779, entitled "An Act Changing the Name of Lamo National High School in Barangay Lamo, Municipality of Dupax del Norte, Province of Nueva Vizcaya to Dupax del Norte National High School", is hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
FRANKLIN M. DRILON, President of the Senate
FELICIANO BELMONTE JR., Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on February 23, 2015 and February 2, 2016, respectively.

OSCAR G. YABES, Secretary of the Senate
MARILYN B. BARUA-YAP, Secretary General House of Representatives

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BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines

