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**SPEECH OF PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE DURING THE  
INAUGURATION OF THE CEBU-CORDOVA LINK EXPRESSWAY  
(CCLEX) PROJECT**

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Before... Kindly sit down, I'm sorry.

Before we go any further, I'd like to request all — just stay where you are and we remember in silence the late Cordova Mayor and PLLO Secretary Adelino Sitoy. The complex which is the third bridge that connects to Cebu was made possible because of his vision, aspirations and for the people of Cordova, and maybe for all. Thank you.

First of all, I'd like to apologize for the – you have kept waiting here. We had to attend the 501 anniversary, there was a sort of a — well, one is that... Alam mo sa totoo lang even when I was a mayor, I used to frequent Manila, I also studied there.

But from what I have observed, wala ang Bisaya, walay hero. Let me be — ito informal 'to. Ang formal maya na 'yang speech. Isa't kalahating page lang 'to. Mahiya naman ako na katagal ninyong naghintay pati ako I have traveled just to... Well, unang-una, kailangan magpunta ako dahil anniversary nga the Battle of Mactan. Whatever happened there bridge — water under the bridge of... Anong pangalan ng bridge? You have to name it after somebody. You have to think of a good human being who journeyed here in this planet and maybe honor him with a name, a bridge of his own.

Dugay ang seremonya, then there was this reenactment of the Battle of Mactan. Of course, it's all show at nakita ko na... Kasi itong si Lapulapu ewan ko kung totoo lang, sabi lang nila pinsan ko daw ito. *[laughter]* So totoo.

Nakita ko 'yung reenactment na talagang parang walang kalaban. Maybe it was all gory and blood but that is how I internalized of what really happened in this part of my country. You know I was born in Leyte and my father is from Danao City dito sa Cebu. We migrated to Mindanao many years ago. I think it was 1949, I was just three years old to seek the greener pastures in life or of life.

So I enjoyed the... Talagang ito pala si Magellan, tumba na — ah si Lapulapu, natumba na si Magellan sige pa rin siya banat. So according to the SOCO report [*laughter*], ang stab wounds daw ni Magellan was 27, ah 20 kind of... So I am proud to really be a cousin of... Sabi nga nila, totoo, 'yung records lang ng... Maybe the memoirs of somebody.

At isa pa... Well, I'll go back most — nawala na ako. Iyong walang si Lapulapu historically ginawa lang na isda. At saka 'yang isda he was named after a fish you know, a specie of a fish, which we eat almost it's a — 'yang isda sa bato, you know. Ito 'yung you can harvest them using a spear. Hindi ito deep sea. Ito si lapu-lapu, tawag nila isda sa bato. Well, matapang nga talaga.

Pero ewan ko sa totoo lang, ano ba talaga nag-udyok kay Magellan magpunta dito? Eh nagpunta na sila doon sa Limasawa. Eh 'yung chieftain noon maraming asawa. Lima lang nga ang pangalan eh, lima ang asawa. So 'pag landing siguro ni Magellan sabi niya ubos naman ang mga babae dito, why don't we look farther? Nakita niya ang Cebu. Nakita niya Governor Garcia na mas maganda ang mga babae sa Cebu [*applause*] kaya bumaba.

Well, of course, he remembered that he had also a duty to perform, binaba niya 'yung cross and planted the Christianity, the religion dito sa Philippines. That started us to the road of being a Christian, almost Christian state.

I'd like to — alam mo kasi 'yung Mindanao just a few, five minutes, Mindanao is a Cebuano-speaking island. It's a big island actually. Plenty of human beings there. You know bakit nag ganoon? Kasi many years ago actually Mindanao was already Islam. Islam was there ahead of the itong Christianity, ating religion. Kaya lahat doon may mga natives: 'yang mga Tausug, Maranao of Lanao, Maguindanao of Cotabato. Iyon 'yung major

tribes doon. Walang Bisaya na taga-Mindanao. If your tongue is Bisaya or Tagalog, Ilocano, then you must have come from those places where you have that dialect in your lips. Iyan ang totoo diyan.

Ako well Mindanaoan na talaga ako. Ang tatay ko from Danao, Cebu. If you ask me anong ta — I always reply: I'm a Cebuano because we — parang pedigree we trace our — ako blood dito. Well, of course, my mother was Mindanaoan talaga. So 'yan ang nakaano sa 'yung bakit ganito ang laro ng buhay. So 'yung pagpunta nila dito, 'yun nga ang ano. Buti hindi sa Mindanao ganoon rin talaga.

You know if you look at it closely sa history, 'yung headgear ni Lapulapu — I do not know what's the name of that in Tausug, I forgot but alam ko — that is the headgear of the Tausugs. You see 'yan in many of the paintings siguro from generation to generation passed on sa memory, nilagay talaga 'yang tawag nating turban. Pero 'yung headgear niya, 'yan ang suot ng mga Tausug.

And if you listen, just listen very carefully, the dialect of the Tausugs are far different from dito sa island of Mindanao. Jolo 'yun eh, it's a separate group of islands there. Makinig ka lang mabuti, you would understand or you could make out what they are talking about. Kasi ako siguro sanay, I may be able to discern something in a conversation. Pero halos pareho ang pati ang accent kung sundin mo.

Iyan ang history ng... So during the Americans, after the Spaniards, they opened Mindanao for settlement. They wanted to develop Mindanao because it's a huge land at saka alam na nila noon walang bagyo. They noticed a long time ago na walang bagyo sa Mindanao so it was good for agricultural exploitation.

Kaya go to Minda — that was the catchword there, parang naging cliché na tuloy, you repeat it: go to Mindanao because it is the land of promise. So nagpunta kami doon ng tatay ko. Lahat ng nagpunta doon mahihirap kasi kung mayroon ka lang dito, if you have about so many hectares of coconut trees or you have the mining noon na pinakamalakas dito long time ago

right after the war, walang opportunity. And to think that it was many years ago, mahigpit na talaga dito that was right after the war.

My father became the first gov — ah mayor of Danao which is Danao, siya 'yung nagsabi sa pamilya na "*go to Mindanao because it is the land of promise.*" Usahay kahilakon ko. (Sometimes I want to cry.)

Marami kami eh. But you know, God has a way of making things the way that we now see. Maraming nagpunta pero 'yung iba naman hanggang ngayon squatters pa rin. We have a very serious of space all throughout the Philippines, 'yung makabahay lang. Iyon ang nagpunta doon. Iyong iba nasuwerte and maybe my father was one of the lucky ones came... He was a mayor here, he was a governor there for 12 years I think and ako, 'yung anak, it's not really history but part of my personal destiny kasi I was a prosecutor then I became a vice mayor, then mayor, then congressman, then back to being mayor, I was mayor 23 years ho ako mayor ng Davao City.

But I always 'yung trace ko 'pag magtanong ako, kaya nga Bisaya kasi nandoon tayo. Ang nauna doon ang mga Muslim. Maybe you don't have to think for so long, ang nauna doon kasi Islam missionaries galing in the Middle East, traveled to Afghanistan, and then 'yung mga Kazakhstan diyan, then traveled all the way to Malaysia and down to itong Borneo, Sabah ngayon. Then some of them settled down sa Mindanao tried to convert the people there, successfully of course, because ang tinuturo ng tao it's religion. When you talk about goodness, when you talk about fairness, you attract people and they listen. Maski dito sa ating araw-araw. Pulitika ganoon rin.

Now, iyon ang istorya diyan para malaman lang ninyo kung bakit na bakit maraming Ilocano, maraming Bisaya. The first to migrate, you know, if you look at the map of the Philippines, your right hand is the east direction. Your left hand is the west. And if you look Mindanao, just above Mindanao, are the islands of Cebu, Bohol, Leyte, Samar. At dito naman sa west side itong mga Hiligaynon, the Ilonggos, iyan ang nagbabaan. But karamihang bumaba, Bohol, Leyte, pati Cebu nauna. Kaya 'yung Ilonggo dumating, pumunta sila sa North Cotabato. Doon, doon nagka — started the quarrel there until now because of land, space 'yan. Started when there was a mga ano doon — mga chieftain doon also ayaw nila.

I made this you know the subject of my speech because I want to tell everybody, mga Bisaya at saka may taga-Mindanao na Bisaya, at saka 'yung mga kapatid kong Muslim. My mother is — but that's a long story. Eh sabagay, assalamu alaikum. Okay na doon pero there's always that division of parang...

You know 'pag tinignan mo kasi ang isang Muslim, he would take sometimes offense. And it's because they are not ready to embrace that once upon a time kanila 'yung Mindanao. At noong pumunta 'yung mga tao doon, puro Christians and the majority is really mga Kristiyanos na. Kakaunti na lang, sila tuloy ang naging minority.

But I'd like to tell everybody including the Muslims — you know, my mother is a part Maranao — huwag kayong — do not take offense by just being with a Christian and sometimes being you know 'yung glances na ano, eh huwag ninyong... Pati kayong mga Bisaya, 'yung magsabi na Moros sila, Moros. They are Moro, a one word 'yan, Moro, it's a noun or something. Ayaw na sabihin Moros. Eh 'di sabihin mo Moro ka, eh Moro naman talaga sila. Ano bang gusto mong tawagin? Kaya nga 'yung naging mayor ako kung 'yung mga settlement ginawa ko mang housing, ginawa ko talaga on purpose mixed. Dito, Kristiyanos; dito, Muslim. Sabi ko you — in my time, you mix or we don't agree with each other and fight.

So sa Davao wala masyado akong problema kasi everybody is courteous to everybody. Gusto ko 'yung ano lang ang tama. And I always insist on that. That is why we do not have a kagaya ng problema sa patayan sa ibang lugar. I'd like to tell the all — all, mga Ilocano, Ilonggo, you know, stop this. You, kayong mga Muslim, you have to embrace the Christians there because whether you like it or not, nandiyan na 'yan eh. At saka tayo na mga Kristiyanos, eh wala na tayo. This is the only planet that we have. Iyan ang istorya diyan.

So I'd like to relate that to you so that you'd understand kung bakit isang Bisaya na Presidente have to travel here to... Ako ang nag-groundbreak nito eh and I thank God for giving me a life. Napa-groundbreak ko nitong bridge na ito, ako ang nag-inaugurate ngayon, nagputol ng ribbon, with of course, Sir Manny Pangilinan. [applause]

I'd like to congratulate him, and of course our — the Spanish companies who came here to help. Actually you came here to — it's bridging people. That's — if for that alone, it's maganda. Wala namang — iyong mga motor vehicles diyan wala namang ano 'yan eh sentimiyento. They are inanimate kung ibig sabihin. Tao, and of course the builders. I'd like to thank the builders, the Spanish businessmen who came here to venture out. [applause]

Then I'd like to thank Mr. Pangilinan for doing a great job. [applause] So enough of that. Pero sa totoo sabi ko nga eh bakit ba pumunta dito si Magellan? Totoo, ulitin ko lang. Pagpunta niya doon sa Leyte, 'yung tip ng Leyte, he landed in Limasawa. Tingin nila doon na lahat ng magagandang babae nandoon na man sa chieftain doon na lima — 'yan, lima ang asawa that is why it's called Limasawa. Totoo 'yan.

That's the history of the word lima ang asawa. Kaya sila 'yung nagdamay kay Magellan. Eh lahat naman siguro girlfriend ng ulol doon kung sino siguro doon. 'Di sabi ni Magellan, magpunta na lang tayo ng ibang lugar maghanap tayo ng... Nakita nga nito magagandang babae sa Cebu, buutan pa gyud (and kind, too). [applause]

So 'yun ho ang — that's my story. That's the informal part of the... Now, I would read — you have to give me additional three minutes and I'll be through kasi nandito 'yung mga babaeng gumawa nito, baka mag-alburoto na pinagtiyagaan nila ito tapos hindi ko babasahin. So makinig kayo.

A good day to all! I am pleased to join you today for the inauguration of the Cebu-Cordova Link Expressway project, which will provide a vital link between Cebu City and Cordova, Mactan Island.

I congratulate Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation, Cebu Cordova Link Expressway Corporation, the local government units of Cebu City and Cordova on the completion of this new iconic landmark, despite the challenges brought about by the so many problems, the pandemic and Odette. Ewan ko kung maganda itong si Odette. May kilala akong Odette doon sa amin medyo matanda na man.

Your support for this Administration's goal to boost regional development, provide a comfortable life for every Filipino and realize our vision of a strongly connected nation is truly commendable, while your hard work and dedication to ensure the completion of this monumental task are equally noteworthy.

It is also such an opportune and relevant time to inaugurate the CCLEX as it coincides with the celebration of our ancestors' victory in Mactan more than

500 years ago. I am glad to see the sheer will and determination of our forebears being resonated in our people today as we open this transport facility to the public.

This state-of-the-art infrastructure will provide a solution to the perennial traffic issues of Metro Cebu. I am hopeful that this shall likewise result into an increase in economic productivity in the province and the rest of the Visayas through a safer, faster and more convenient means of transporting goods as well as people.

As President, I give my full dedication to bringing a more comfortable life for all Filipinos through sustainable, safe and reliable infrastructure for better mobility and transport, especially that we are really crowding every space now.

Once again, I assure you that no Filipino will be left behind as we steadfastly and collectively work towards a stronger and a progressive nation.

Let us celebrate another victory that will alleviate the plight of our fellow Filipinos.

Bago ako mag-thank you, may sasabihin lang ako sa... Eh marami kasing — so many stories woven around my character. I don't know if you like my character or not but sabi ko 'yung mga migrants — ang tatay ko tingin niya wala masyadong — decided to — and imagine Mindanao at that time, 1949, it was just after the war. We have to practically hack around the environment to make what is now the city. But foremost noong tumakbo ako, was there was really trouble in Davao City. Iyon doon pinakamalakas 'yung sparrow nila. And I have lost — we lost about something like 300 soldiers and policemen.

So when I decided to run for mayor sinabi ko talaga at ito na sabihin ko sa inyo, I cannot be, you know, administering the affairs of the city when there is no law and order. Kaya ako fiscal nakikita ko ang sitwasyon, kidnapping here, kidnapping there, dalhin sa Cotabato tapos 'yung droga mataas na.

At that time, ang lumalaro ang mga barangay captains below. As the years went by, I said I was mayor for 23 years, nakita ko how it evolved. Nakita ko na 'yung droga and 'yung mga kasuotan minsan sa korte nawawala 'yung witnesses ko, eh droga 'to ha. O minsan kung pulis, kunan nila ng picture ng asawa na teacher palabas, tapos ibigay nila doon sa pulis na nag-iimbestiga. Kung ganito ang sitwasyon nabibili mo 'yung judge, sigurado 'yan alam ko... In Manila, there's one son of... Kaya sinabi ko sa Supreme Court, you have a — tanggalin mo 'yan, 1,000 cases, not a single conviction.

Kung ganito ang Pilipinas, eh money is very corrosive to the values of a human being, very corrosive. Kaya kung ganito ang sitwasyon natin, wala talaga tayong matakbuhan and eventually we will be like Mexico. Ganoon talaga ang mangyayari. Takot ang pulis pakikitaan lang ng picture ng asawa niya naglakad kasama ang anak, kung ikaw 'yung imbestigador, ikaw 'yung pulis, magpunta sa... "Mayor, gusto namin — gusto ko mag-transfer na lang, ganoon. Pakitulungan mo na lang ako." Ipakita 'yung picture. O minsan outright pinapatay nila. Ah sabi ko ito hindi na puwede talaga. Over time nagano ako na, please do not do anything that will destroy my country. Do not feed our young with shabu and whatever, 'yung mga mayayaman, it's cocaine.

Iyong mayayaman nagrereklogo sila bakit hindi niyo mahuli? Eh p\*\*\*, may mga yate 'yan eh, ang bahay niyan mga mansyon, may guwardiya. How — paano mo...? Pulis na — ang pulis imbes magtrabaho, nabibigyan rin. Ito it corrupts the whole — it destroys the fabric of society over time. Kung hindi ko ini-interdict at least in Davao hindi ako magyabang ng ibang lugar, sabi ko I will kill — you know, you destroy my country and our children, p\*\*\* I will kill you.

That is my mantra and that will be still my mantra in a few days when I go out of Malacañang. Galit talaga ako sa droga. Alam mo bakit ako galit sa droga? Gusto mo ng pamilya sirain mayaman o mahirap? Gawain mo lang ang anak o 'yung asawa, ibigay mo 'yun, libre 'yan. Ganoon 'yang droga eh, libre muna, iyong mag-ano sa iyo. Kasi kung ako nag-adik na, ito 'yung adik 'yung isa, siya ang maggawa na naman ng negosyo niya magbili para makakuha siya maggamit. Tapos 'yung isa ganoon rin 'pag nalulong na, libre the first few months.

Icu-cultivate nila 'yan eh, they cultivate. Kinu-culture nila 'yung tao at pinapasahan ng droga. Ngayon, kung ganito ang laro, eh sabi ko... You know I believe in God. I believe in the eternal justice of... Pero kung dito ganoon sa panahon na ito, ganoon kadumi ang droga at nandoon pa 'yung mga NPA, sabi ko, "*We cannot exist together, either you kill me or I will kill you. Go out of my city.*"

Kaya ganoon ang Davao. Hindi nga eh, it cannot compare to Cebu. Maganda nauna kayo. Davao City is — matanda pa 'yang Cagayan pati Agusan. Butuan is an old city. Davao is a new city. Right after the war lang 'yan. So... Pero nakita ko ang laro. Fiscal kasi ako, I prosecute. Minsan p\*\*\* ang dumadating sa akin tawas pati 'yung p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*\*\* pulis. Hindi lang ako makaano kasi fiscal lang ako eh. Hindi ko makaano 'yung galit ko. Sabi ko balang araw, 'pag

bigyan ako ng trabaho ng Diyos na — kayo, bantay kayo sa akin. Naging mayor ako so sabi ko, "*Do not — huwag mo akong... Do not give me that s\*\*\* pulis ka o ano, p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\*, papatayin kita. I can harvest you.*" Wala naman — but marami.

Then when I became President ganito, bakit? Sinasabi ko I can clean it in six months. Then after that, I realized na nagkamali talaga ako. Iyang sobrang — maybe it's hubris, it was campaign time, payabangan naman 'yang kampanya. Eh pagdating ko sa Maynila, dala-dala ko 'yung chief of police ko, iyang si Bato, anak ka ng... Pag — iyong binuksan na 'yung records, paano ako maka...? Six generals of the PNP were playing with drugs.

Sabi ko, "*Paano tayo mabubuhay nito?*" P\*\*\*, tinawag ko, "either you drop..." Kayong mga NPA, kayong mga durugista, you want peace? You want? You know, magtrabaho ka lang, then drop the gun.

Kayong mga durugista, drop the drugs. Itapon mo 'yan at wala ka talagang problema sa akin. Ngayon, hindi na ako Presidente in a few days. But if you continue to f\*\*\* the Filipino, I might find a way really to just... Walang — no quarters given, no quarters asked.

Pinapatay mo talaga eh. Sisirain mo 'yung mga pamilya maghiwalay. Ang masakit sa akin ano? Alam mo bakit? Galing ako sa pagka-pobre. And I can't fathom the — anong ano ng — unsay sentimiyento sa usa ka pobre (the sentiment of the poor). Mag-away ang pamilya. Ang anak, magsugod na'g pangawat og butang (Their child will start to steal). Alam ninyo 'yan eh nangyayari 'yan dito sa inyo. Mag-away na kayong mag-asawa. Iyong iba, magkahiwalay kasi iyan. The frequent and constant friction about the problem of a child or a daughter.

Iyan ang ano. It breaks the family. It destroys the everything. Ang masakit pa nito, iyong mga mahirap, kanang mga pobre, manglangyaw ngadto sa ubang lugar (The poor people would go to other countries). They go to the — just to earn a living and maybe to provide a relief of what's — itong umiikot within the family.

Iwan 'yung mga anak sa kapitbahay, iiwan doon sa kapatid na bago lang nag-asawa na mayroon ring pamilya. Ipag-iwan 'yung mga bata. Then she works there in the Middle East. Now, when I was a congressman, pumunta ako doon. Kasama ko 'yung mga Moro congressmen. Sinabi ko, "*samahan ninyo ako.*" I

went to King Fahd to plead the life mga babae kasi pugutan ng ulo. So King Fahd was at the time hindi na masyado ano but he was able to comprehend through his aide. Eh binubulong na lang 'yung kung anong pinagsasabi namin. So it was granted. Pinatay niya 'yung ano amo niya.

Noong nag-usap kami sa counterpart ko, sabi ni — sabi noong upon the advice 'yung doon sa Palace, "*You go to your counterpart and tell him about your problem.*" So nagpunta ako doon parang Congress nila 'yan. Pati member kasi ako ng law and order committee. Iyon ang kinausap ko rin 'yung counterpart, iyong law and order nila. Peace and — peace and order ang tawag dito. It's actually law and order. Peace has nothing to do with... It's...

Sabi niya pag-uwi mo, pag-uli ninyo sa inyo, sabihin mo doon sa ano that dito sa culture nitong ibang tribo ng Arab, lalo na sa malalayong lugar sa bukid na, hindi kasi alam ng pobreng Pilipina kung ano.

Akala niya metropolis 'yung mapuntahan niya. Little do they know that they will be you know... Sabi noong mayor doon, you just tell your countrymen that itong rape when you work for an amo doon pati — or you are a slave bought from the slaves market of Africa, ang rape is part of the territory. Kaya diyan ako naawa.

Biro mo, mayroon doon four years. She kept on sending the money to the family and hoping, praying to God, that that money will be put to good use, to educate the children, o makakain lang naman. Ang problema, after years of enduring cruelty, sexual abuse, and whatever they want to do with the body of a Filipina, pag-uwi niya dito, battered and all, sometimes out of her acts because of the constant...

Kita mo mga Pilipino mag-suicide? Saan magdaan 'pag mag-suicide? 'Di ba makita mo muambak (jump)? Sirado ang purtahan diha sa sulod. Di sila makanaog para maghikog lang o molukso sila'g suba para magpakamatay lang (The door is locked inside so they can't even go down to hang themselves or jump into the river to commit suicide).

So ang gawain nila, magtalon talaga 'yan. 'Di ba? Tignan ninyo. Nabasa man ninyo. I'm sure you Filipinos listening now — it's being televised — huwag na tayong magbolahan. Ganyan ang ginagawa. Masakit sa akin 'yan. Makita niya, 'pagdating niya, ang bana (husband) niya, may kabit na na iba. Iyong padala niya na pera wala. At ito namang mga p\*\*\* kayo, didikitan nila 'yan kasi alam

nila may remittance every month or every quarter or whatever. But they know that there is — that family is receiving, although pittance, but itong pera na pinagpaguran niya.

Alam mong three hours lang 'yang tulog nila? Lahat. All the cases that bumalik dito to tell her sad story. Bakit? Pagkatapos niyang maglinis ng bahay ng amo niya, maglinis pa siya ng bahay ng daughter-in-law niya, tapos may isang bahay doon sa compound sa anak ng lalaki. Anak...

Kaya ang tulog niyan three to four hours a day and 'yung pagkain, although not all, hindi naman lahat, but I am sure that some. Ako maski isa lang of all of them, and they are about a million doon sa.... Hindi ko man mapuntahan 'yung sino 'yung mga amo nila na gusto kong patayin. I cannot do that. Dito na lang ang galit ko, sa hirap ng buhay, abandoning the family, send — kept on sending money only to realize that all of her sacrifices or his sacrifice went to a garbage environment.

Iyan maintindihan — paalis na kasi ako pagka-Presidente kaya you listen to me one more time. I will not be — I'm 77 years old, I'm going to retire. I cannot hope to be traveling. Hindi ako mayaman, ako lang ang Presidente na walang bahay sa Maynila or sa... And then you should go to Davao, tingnan ninyo kung ang bahay ko. It was the same house that when I was a prosecutor many years ago, panahon pa ni Marcos.

Ang journey ko sa gobyerno... "Pero 'yun pre, bakit 'yan si Duterte nagsabi na extrajudicial killing?" Kahapon, I was reading the — may briefer ako every night of what transpired during the last 24 hours. Mayroon akong briefer. Yesterday, I lost a policeman in a drug bust that went wrong. So nagkabarilan, pinatay 'yung pulis.

Kaya kayong mga human rights, pag-aralan ninyong mabuti, tingnan ninyo. Huwag kayong magbandera ng papel na itong mga p\*\*\*\*\*... Excuse me. Ito na mangamatay, listahan ng patay, tanungin mo: sino 'yang namatay at bakit patay 'yan? At tingnan ninyo 'yung pamilya, the so many thousands...

'Yung pag-akyat ni Bato, 'yung nag-surrender doon na mga payat, na walang kain, mga adik, that was a scene only good for Manila. Hindi kasali ang province nitong Cebu, ah Cebu malakas. Mata... You know, you just drop the

drugs. You drop the gun, kayong mga NPA, eh 'di wala na tayong problema, then let's build a country together.

Pero kung ganoon ang bisyo ninyo, I tried everything to talk to Sison because he was my... Eh kaming mga ano migrants, medyo left kami talaga. Kasi nakikita namin 'yung — the inequality and injustice. Of course, the Moro people are — galit sila. Bakit? Naagaw niyo 'yung lahat ng lupa nila eh, karamihan niyan mga Chinese na 'yung mga landed family sold everything over time.

Iyon ang... Para masabtan ko ninyo nga nganong ana ni si Duterte (so you can understand why Duterte) masama ang bunganga? Kasi galit talaga ko p\*\*\*\*\* j\*\*, I\*\*\*\* kayo. Kasi nakita ko, hindi lang ninyo nakita, you cannot see the bigger picture of the drugs. Kung magsige ka lang magsabi dito patay-patay lahat ito, of course you will die. 'Pag ako na-Presidente, this will continue. I will not let go of that — my stand.

But wala akong inutusan na patayin mo naka — naka-hands up na, nakaupo in surrender or whatever. That's not the work of the police. Hindi 'yan trabaho ng pulis, hindi 'yan trabaho ng sundalo. 'Pag ganoon akong pulis makita kita, ikaw ang barilin ko. Basta you just behave. You know there are rules to be followed in life, just follow the rules. Do not, I said, the big "f", do not f — my people kasi kadugo ko 'yan lahat. Lalo na sa Danao, puro ko pinsan 'yang palibot diyan.

So ganyan eh kung mag-warning ako pagkatapos mag-retire ako, dito ako mag-retire, ubusin ko kayong lahat. T\*\*\* j\*\*, do not do that to your fellow human being, maawa ka, maawa ka. You destroy a life...

You know, in closing ganito ha, I'll tell you a story: mayor ako, second term, I had about — you know, sa awa ng Diyos, I started — I was a mayor in 1988. Umakyat ako sa ladder hanggang na-Presidente, wala akong talo, sa awa ng Diyos. Wala akong talo, diretso-diretso ako. All the years that... So sabihin — hindi ko na lang ano ha, I'm sure 'yung iba uneasy na eh. I know that you want to go home, ako gusto ko rin eh, I have to fly home. Wala pay siguro og muabot ba ng eroplano ngadto basig mubuto na didto na sa dapit sa Butuan. Ah okay lang may uyab man pud ko ngadto. [TRANSLATION: We don't even know if the plane will get to land there as it may explode near Butuan. Ah it's okay because I have a girlfriend there too.] [/laughter] Ah totoo.

Ako, I'm — hindi ako, I am not pretending, wala akong pretensions, ganoon talaga ako. Bastos ako, talagang bastos ako. I am not a statesman, p\*\*\*\*\* i\*\* mo. Nag-aral ako ng law hindi pagka statesman, para maging fiscal, maging congressman, na kung gusto kong mag — hindi lang ako makabuwelo kasi nandiyan si Archbishop, out of respect and obedience.

Iyan ang — iyan ang istorya ko. It's a long journey but it ends with a sour note to some and maybe a relief pati sigurado ako nagapalakpak 'yung mga durugista ngayon.

Well, there is always a time — sabi nga ng Diyos, there are — there's a time to kill and a time to stop because you are not supposed to be doing it. There's a time to be powerful and a time to be just a nobody. I used to — in the sky, the brightest star there was mine, shining brightly, and in a few days, I will be just a Rodrigo Duterte from Danao, Cebu. Daghang salamat. [applause]

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