



MALACAÑAN PALACE
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MESSAGE

In the name of Allah, the most gracious and most merciful, I join our Muslim brothers and sisters both here and across the globe in the observance of the **Holy Month of Ramadan**.

This most sacred month is not only a period for Muslims to concentrate on prayer and making amends, but also a time for them to experience and enjoy Allah's mercy. Similar to how the period of fasting ends with feasting, it is my hope that all your efforts for discipline and reflection will be rewarded with revelations as well as a deeper connection with Allah.

May this occasion likewise allow the teachings of the Qur'an to take precedence over all your decisions—even the smallest ones. Let the enlightenment that comes with your contemplation lead you to live with integrity for yourselves and for the nation, especially now when it is needed most.

May this month be a truly holy and meaningful month for all of us. Ramadan Mubarak!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rodrigo Roa Duterte".

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