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**MEDIA INTERVIEW BY PRESIDENT FERDINAND R. MARCOS JR.
FOLLOWING THE OATH TAKING CEREMONY OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS OF
MEDIA GROUPS**

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Q: Sa tingin n'yo po ba may kinalaman dito 'yung pag-iikot ikot mo sa iba't ibang bahagi ng bansa sa pamimigay ng ayuda, 'yung sa PAFF?

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Well, maybe – kasama na 'yun, but I think it's the --- because it's a trust rating, it is more --- ayun na nga nakikita naman na we're really doing our best to alleviate the hardships na dinadaan ng mga tao. It's good to have that kind of --- that kind of results or statistics behind you and again, every time this happens as far as I am concerned, it seems to be people beginning to understand what we are trying to do, they're beginning to feel the effects of it, and so you must continue to do more and even try to do even better --- so, that's always an inspiration for me.

Q: Mr. President, ano po ang masasabi niyo dun po sa mga kritisismo na 'yung nangyayari daw pong police operations sa KOJC compound ay overkill daw po at may mga violation na po ng human rights ayon sa mga kritiko ninyo.

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Specify.

Q: Yun daw pong pag dedeploy ng sobrang dami ng pulis, at saka 'yung blockade, na di-disrupt na raw 'yung mga ---

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Mayroon bang human rights violation kung maraming pulis?

Q: 'Yun po ang sabi nila.

PRESIDENT MARCOS: I don't think so. There is no --- anyway, the reason we did this was so that we could maintain the peace. The only way to maintain the peace is to make sure that the area is safe and is secure. And considering this is a 30-hectare compound, kailangan mo talaga ng maraming tao. Hindi mo pwedeng gawin ito na isang dosenang pulis para --- hindi ba bale 'yung mga lumalaban o 'yung mga nag re-resist, o naghaharang, hindi na bale muna 'yun para lang 'yung pag inspection ng 30 hectares kailangan mo na kaagad ng maraming tao. So, I, I do not see, I think what they are talking about is political na 'yan, hindi na totoo 'yan.

I can --- You go to any human rights advocates, there's nothing that we did – lahat ng pumasok na pulis, hindi armado. Walang baril kahit isa, hindi kami gumamit ng tear gas. Wala kaming

ginawang ganun. So, anong human rights violation? Marami lang, kung kokonti, mas maraming nasaktan; mas maraming nasaktang supporters ng Kingdom of Jesus Christ, maraming nasaktan na pulis dahil maglalaban. So, kung marami 'di tapos kaagad ang problema.

So, that's what we've done.

Q: Surrender na lang po?

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Hindi ko nga maintindihan kung bakit dinadamay ni Quiboloy ang mga tauhan niya. Kasi sinasabak niya 'yung mga tauhan niya. Eh wala namang kasalanan 'yang mga 'yan. They just believe, they're looking for an answer --- a value system and they think they have found it with Quiboloy. But they did not sign up to be in the frontline of this kind of thing that's happening now that they will protect him from arrest even when he has cases filed against him not only here in the Philippines, but also in the United States.

So, I supposed, I can understand their --- disagreement with us even anger. But what we all, that the police are doing is enforcing the warrant of arrest against Apollo Quiboloy. That's all they're doing.

Q: Sir, on Alice Guo mayroon daw pong information si Senator Gatchalian na may mga BI personnel na may alam and they were allegedly kept in the dark daw po sir.

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Oh yes, definitely. So, DOJ, I was just with the Secretary earlier today. He's almost finished with a very thorough investigation, and we will identify all of those who have, all of those who are involved in this and we will act very quickly.

Q: Sir, pero mayroon na po kayong idea on whose heads will roll?

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Very, very good idea. I have a very good idea.

Q: From BI, sir?

PRESIDENT MARCOS: From BI. Yeah.

Q: How many?

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Ha?

Q: Ilan sila, sir?

PRESIDENT MARCOS: Well, that's not --- we'll see --- that's what the last part of this --- how far, how deep does it go, isa lang bang tao ang involved, or marami sila o sindikato ito. That's what we're looking at now.

There are no sacred cows.

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