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SUBJECT: MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE FROM PRESIDENT FORD ON  
MINDANAO EARTHQUAKE

REF: MANILA 12404

PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO  
PRESIDENT MARCOS:

QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I AM DEEPLY DISTRESSED TO LEARN  
OF THE CALAMITY WHICH STRUCK MINDANAO AS A RESULT OF THE  
AUGUST 17 EARTHQUAKE. AMERICANS JOIN ME IN OFFERING PRO-  
FOUND CONDOLENCES ON THE MANY LIVES LOST. THE UNITED  
STATES STANDS READY TO RESPOND WITH HUMANITARIAN ASSIST-  
ANCE AS MAY BE REQUIRED TO FACILITATE YOUR NATION'S SPEEDY  
RECOVERY FROM THIS DISASTER. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD.  
UNQUOTE.

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TAGS: PFOR, RP, US  
SUBJ: LETTER TO PRESIDENT FORD FROM PRESIDENT MARCOS

1. ON OCTOBER 20, EMBASSY RECEIVED DFA NOTE NO. 78-2563 DATED OCTOBER 18 ENCLOSING A LETTER FROM PRESIDENT MARCOS TO PRESIDENT FORD. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF MARCOS' LETTER. QUOTE: MR. PRESIDENT: ON BEHALF OF OUR PEOPLE, I AM PLEASED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE EXQUISITE AMERICAN REDWOOD PLAQUE YOU RECENTLY SENT, A GIFT FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE EMBLEMATIC OF THE WARM AND FRIENDLY TIES BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. PARAGRAPH WE SHARE WITH YOU THE SAME GOALS OF FREEDOM, PEACE AND PROSPERITY WHICH HAVE ANIMATED AMERICA IN THE LAST TWO HUNDRED YEARS. IN HAVING JOINED WITH FULL SPIRIT YOUR BICENTENNIAL FESTIVITIES, WE HAVE CELEBRATED AS WELL THE HUMAN DREAM OF A BETTER LIFE FOR ALL MEN. SINCERELY, FERDINAND E. MARCOS. END QUOTE.

2. EMBASSY WILL POUCH ORIGINAL TO DEPARTMENT, ATTENTION EA/PHL. SULLIVAN BT

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