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**RESOLUTION**  
**URGING PRESIDENT RODRIGO R. DUTERTE TO RESUME AND**  
**CONTINUE THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE**  
**GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES (GRP)**  
**AND THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC FRONT OF THE PHILIPPINES**  
**(NDFP), AND COMPLETE THE COMPREHENSIVE AGREEMENTS**  
**ON SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL REFORMS TO LAY THE**  
**BASIS FOR A JUST AND LASTING PEACE**

**WHEREAS**, on February 20, 2018, President Rodrigo Duterte said he is still open for the resumption of the stalled peace talks between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GRP) and the National Democratic Front of the Philippines (NDFP), although he said he is still has to consult his military officials. Pres. Duterte made the pronouncements after meeting in Davao City Norwegian officials, including Idun Tvedt, the new special envoy on the GRP-NDFP peace process, which is being facilitated and hosted by the Royal Norwegian Government;

**WHEREAS**, on November 23, 2017, President Duterte signed Proclamation No. 360 terminating the peace talks with the NDFP. Subsequently, on December 5, 2017, Pres. Duterte issued Proclamation No. 374 declaring the CPP-NPA as alleged terrorist organizations;

**WHEREAS**, the cancellation of the peace talks was announced just two (2) days before the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) round of formal talks scheduled in November 25-27, 2017 in Oslo, Norway. Both the GRP and NDFP Negotiating Panels were supposed to initial the Comprehensive Agreement on Social and Economic Reforms (CASER) and the agreements on the general amnesty and release of all political prisoners and the coordinated unilateral ceasefires;

**WHEREAS**, peace advocates and religious groups lamented the termination of the peace talks. The Philippine Ecumenical Peace Platform<sup>1</sup> called on both the GRP and the NDFP to stay the course and resume the peace talks and pursue the positive results generated from the peace talks that formally started under the Duterte administration in August 2016. Kapayapaan, an alliance of advocates for a just peace, said that the continuing armed clashes between

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.samarnews.com/news2017/nov/e109.htm>



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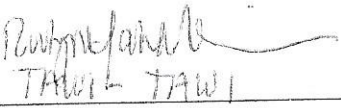
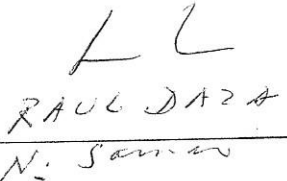
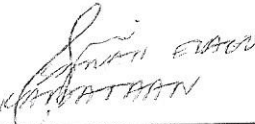
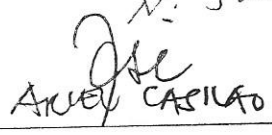
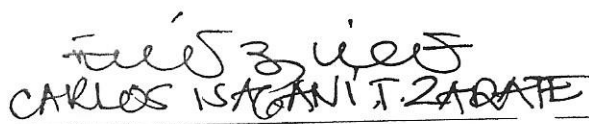
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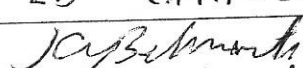
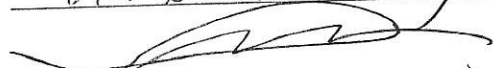
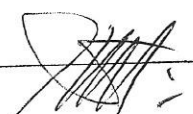
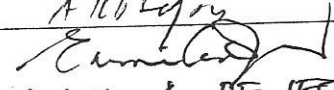

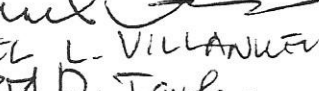
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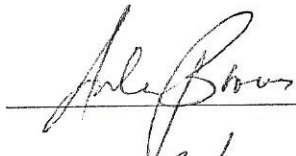
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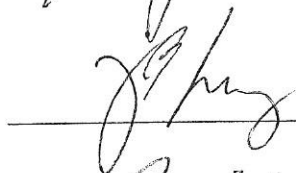
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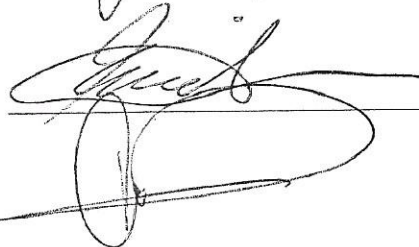
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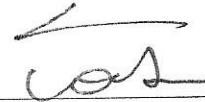
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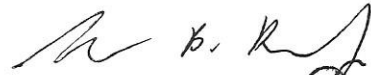
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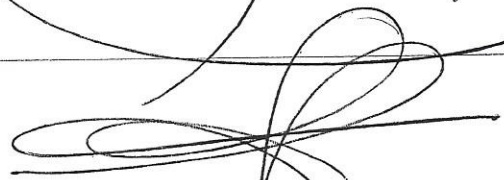
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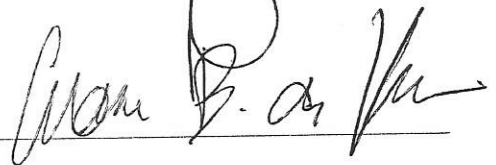
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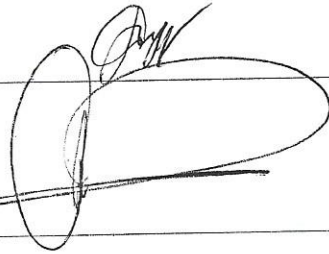


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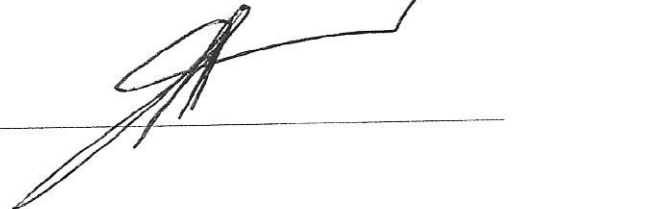


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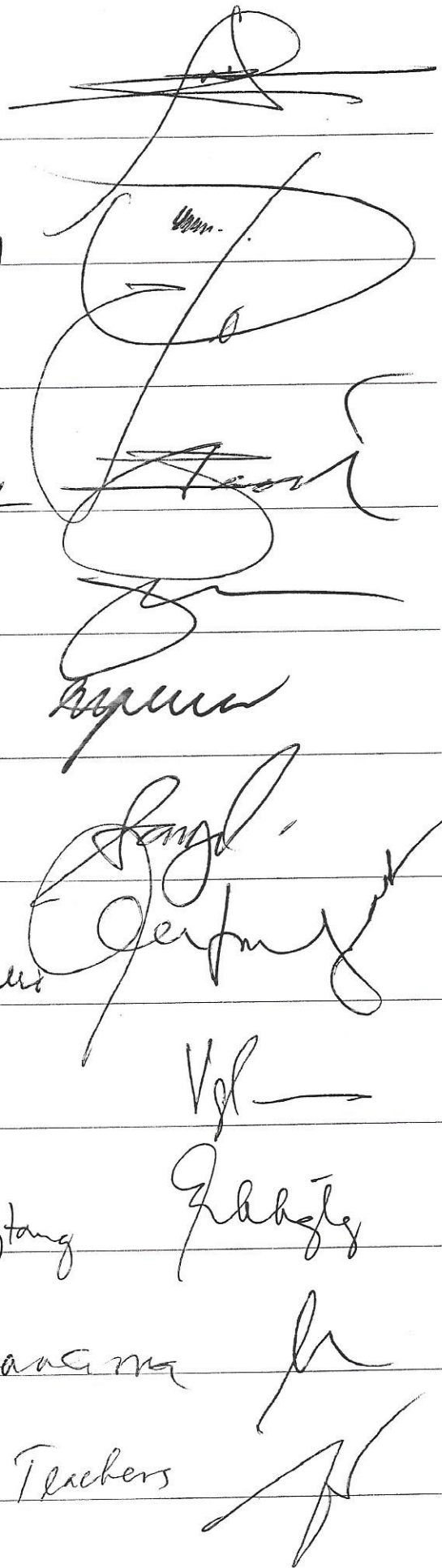
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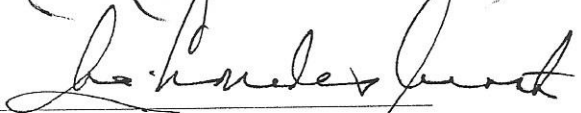




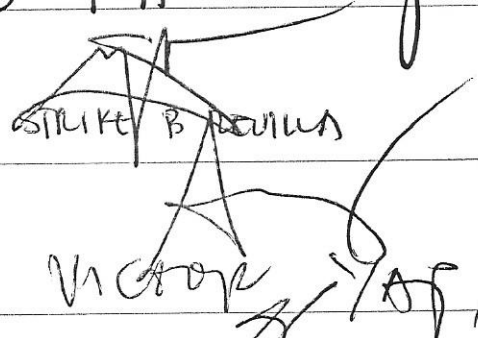
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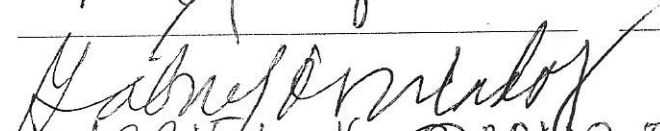
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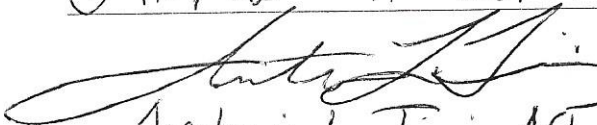
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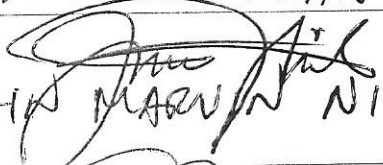
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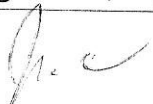
  
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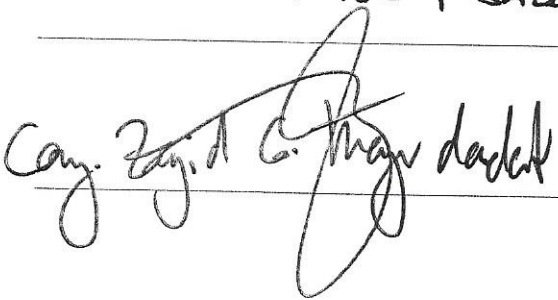
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