

JOINT STATEMENT

The Government of the Philippines (GPH) and Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) Peace Panels successfully ended their two-day Special Meeting held 29-30 May 2016 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

The Parties signed the Declaration of Continuity of the Partnership of the GPH and MILF in the Bangsamoro Peace Process that seeks to ensure the full implementation of the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro (CAB) in the next administration.

The Parties signed the Terms of Reference for the Establishment of the Bangsamoro Normalization Trust Fund (BNTF), a multi-donor trust fund envisioned in the Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro (FAB) and the Annex on Normalization. They have likewise signed the Terms of Reference for the Project Board of the Mindanao Trust Fund for the Six Previously Acknowledged MILF Camps (MTF-RDP Camps Project).

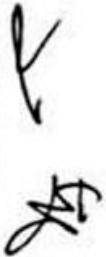
The GPH and MILF Peace Panels congratulate President-elect Rodrigo Roa Duterte. They express optimism that the roadmap provided for in the CAB will be fully accomplished under his term.

The Peace Panels appreciated the statement issued by Presidential Peace Adviser-Nominee Jesus G. Dureza who welcomed the forging of a "declaration of continuity in the search for sustainable peace between the Philippine government and the Moro Islamic Liberation Front." Mr. Dureza, in his statement, also expressed intent "to continue with the gains and build on those already done and achieved."

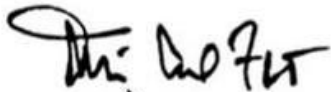
The Parties expressed their appreciation to His Excellency President Benigno Simeon Aquino III, under whose guidance and leadership, the peace agreements were signed; to His Excellency Malaysian Prime Minister Dato' Sri Mohd Najib Bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak for his continued support to the Bangsamoro Peace Process; Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process Teresita Quintos Deles and to the members of the MILF Central Committee and Chairman Al Haj Murad Ebrahim for their commitment to continue the path to peace.

The Parties also extend their gratitude to His Excellency Tengku Dato' Ab Ghafar Tengku Mohamed as the Third-Party Facilitator from Malaysia; the members of the International Contact Group, Third Party Monitoring Team and the Independent Decommissioning Body who attended the meeting; and the members of the other peace mechanisms for their invaluable contribution to the Bangsamoro peace process.

Done this 30th day of May 2016 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

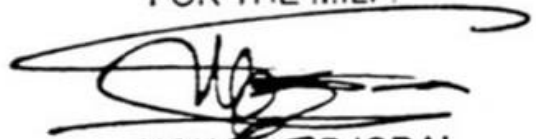


FOR THE GPH:



PROF. MIRIAM CORONEL FERRER
GPH Panel Chair

FOR THE MILF:



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MILF Panel Chair

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:



TENGGU DATO' AB GHAFAR TENGGU MOHAMED
Malaysian Facilitator