

# ASEAN Unity for Human Rights

The Philippine Situation and ASEAN



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# Ateneo Human Rights Center

## Our VISION

A JUST and HUMANE Society.

## Our MISSION

To RESPECT, PROTECT and PROMOTE HUMAN RIGHTS.

## Our OBJECTIVES

To form and sustain human rights lawyers and advocates in the Philippines.

To make justice more accessible to victims of human rights violations.

To monitor and advocate for compliance with human rights laws and instruments.

To empower civil society towards peace, democracy, gender equality, good governance and the rule of law.



## Working Group for an ASEAN Human Rights Mechanism



- ❖ Primary goal is to help develop effective human rights mechanisms in ASEAN
- ❖ A coalition of national working groups from ASEAN states which may be composed of representatives of government institutions, parliamentary human rights committees, the academe, and NGOs.
- ❖ The Working Group follows a step-by-step, constructive and consultative approach when it engages governments and other key stakeholders in the region.



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# Context

- There is no country without any human rights issue
- Political vs. Rule of Law
- Role of the Philippines in ASEAN and Human Rights
- Common Goal: How to improve human rights situation for the benefit of the people.



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# **SOME PRESSING HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES AND CONCERNS**



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# Extrajudicial Killings



## PNP relaunches 'less bloody' Oplan Tokhang

By Lara Tan | [http://cnrphilippines.com/tags/author/Lara\\_Tan/](http://cnrphilippines.com/tags/author/Lara_Tan/), CNN Philippines  
Updated 16:49 PM PHT Tue, March 7, 2017

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# Freedom of Speech, Expression, Press and to Peaceably Assemble

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## Teacher arrested over tweet to be charged in court for inciting to sedition

Published May 14, 2020 6:03pm

By NICOLE-ANNE C. LAGRIMAS, GMA News

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## NBI files inciting to sedition complaint vs 'Bikoy' video sharer

(UPDATED) Justice Secretary Menardo Guevarra says Rodel Jayme may also face a child abuse complaint since President Rodrigo Duterte's 15-year-old daughter Kitty was mentioned in the videos

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## Inciting to sedition raps filed vs Aklan man who offered P100-M bounty on Duterte's head

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By David Tristan Yumol, CNN Philippines

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## 25,000 quarantine violators arrested

Romina Cabrera (The Philippine Star) - April 12, 2020 - 12:00am

MANILA, Philippines — Around 25,000 people were arrested from March 17 to April 10 for violating the enhanced community quarantine.

Data from the Philippine National Police showed that 60,040 were apprehended in Luzon, 18,514 from the Visayas and 23,420 from Mindanao.

# Impending Anti-Terrorism Bill

- Any law enforcement agent or military personnel
- Duly authorized in writing by the ATC
- Taken custody
- A person **suspected** of committing any of the acts (Sections 4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12)
- Without criminal liability (delay in the delivery)
- Period of **14 - 24 days**



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# Section 4: Terrorism

Purpose of the acts; any of the following:

- Intimidate the public
- Create an atmosphere or spread a message of fear
- Provoke or influence by intimidation the government
- Create a public emergency or serious undermine public safety



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# Sec. 29: Acts Covered

- Section 4: **Terrorism**
- Section 5: **Threat to Commit** Terrorism
- Section 6: **Planning, Training, Preparing, and Facilitating** the Commission of Terrorism
- Section 7: **Conspiracy to Commit** Terrorism
- Section 8: **Proposal to Commit** Terrorism
- Section 9: **Inciting to Commit** Terrorism
- Section 10: **Recruitment to and Membership** in a Terrorist Organization
- Section 11: **Foreign Terrorist**
- Section 12: **Providing Material Support** to Terrorists



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# Access to Justice

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## Lawyers detained for 'obstruction of justice'

Last Thursday, lawyers Lenie Rocha, Jan Vincent Soliven and Romulo Alarcon were detained for "intimidating" the police conducting a search at TIME bar in Makati.

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## Police release lawyers arrested in Makati bar raid

(UPDATED) They walk out of the Makati City police station at past 8 pm after securing a release order



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## Raps vs 3 lawyers arrested in 2018 Makati bar raid junked

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