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**SPEECH OF
PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE
DURING THE INSPECTION OF THE NLEX HARBOR LINK C3-R10
SECTION**

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Kindly sit down. Thank you.

Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea; Public Works and Highways Secretary Mark Villar and the other members of the Cabinet; Senator Bong Go; Secretary Dominguez; Tugade; the Central Bank Governor Honorable Ben Diokno; other distinguished guests; oh the Vice Mayor of Navotas, teritoryo mo pala dito ma'am; ladies and gentlemen.

I am pleased to be with you today as we witness another milestone in our Golden Age of Infrastructure --- at least during my term --- with the inauguration of the C3-R10 Section of the North Luzon Expressway Harbor Link Project.

This 6.55-billion peso, [2.6]-kilometer project, which extends from Circumferential Road 3 in Caloocan to Radial Road 10 in Navotas, will connect to the 5.65-kilometer NLEX Harbor Link Segment 10 at the Caloocan Interchange to directly connect the Port Area of Manila to the northern provinces of Luzon via NLEX. Nahilo na po ako so kindly give me a few minutes interval.

Expected to benefit more than [30,000] motorists per day, this will decongest Metro Manila by providing direct access to NLEX without the need to pass through EDSA or the Balintawak Toll Plaza.

This will improve the movement of cargo between the Port Area and NLEX by shortening the travel time from the usual one hour to 10 minutes. Wow. This new access road will not only stimulate commerce and lead to greater development [in] CAMANAVA, but will also reduce the incidence of road accidents due to better road pavement and major traffic management control.

I acknowledge the combined efforts of the Department of Public Works and Highways, the Department of Transportation, and NLEX Corporation for the timely and efficient completion of [this] project.

Let me also recognize the local government officials and the people of Malabon, Navotas and Caloocan for their unfaltering support for [this] project.

Improved mobility is a strong indicator of progress in any society. Let me assure you that this administration will continue to pursue road infrastructure development throughout the country to improve the productive capacity of our economy, create more jobs and higher incomes, and strengthen our investment climate for sustainable growth.

As we pursue the objectives of the Build, Build, Build Program, I ask everyone to do their part in our shared task of nation-building.

We need to work together to ensure that the strides we have made and the benefits of all our development efforts will be felt by all Filipinos. No one should be left behind or forgotten on the path [to] progress.

Congratulations at mabuhay tayong lahat! *[applause]*

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