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**SPEECH OF PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE DURING THE  
INAUGURATION OF THE PSG STATION HOSPITAL AND TURNOVER OF  
THE PHILIPPINE TACTICAL COMBAT CASUALTY COURSE MANUAL**

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Kindly sit down. Thank you.

Nakalagay dito sa prepared speech ko in bold letters, "Mr. President, we are live on TV" para hindi ako magmura. Well, if there is no reason really not to and there's enough reason that would compel me.

Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea; Health Secretary Francisco Duque III; National Security Adviser Secretary Hermogenes Esperon; Senator Bong Go; AFP Chief of Staff General Jose Faustino Jr.; PNP Chief Police General Guillermo Eleazar; PAGCOR Chair and CEO Andrea Domingo, ma'am, patawarin mo ako hindi kita nakilala kaagad kasi nakaano ka eh, nakakasira ng --- hindi mo na talaga malaman ang magaganda sa ano; Melco Resorts Philippines Foundation Vice President Armin Raquel- Santos; officers, enlisted personnel, and civilian employees of the Presidential Security Group led by Group Commander Colonel Randolph Cabangbang; other distinguished guests; ladies and gentlemen.

We have dialect words that would describe a beautiful woman, we'd say "gwapa". Actually it's a Spanish carryover. Pagka lalaki, we say "gwapo." But if we refer to an inanimate thing, we would say "gwapo." That's the simplistic Visayan dialect.

Ngayon noong sa ospital ninyo nakita ko eh talagang gwapo. *[applause]* `Pag Bisaya tanungin mo, gwapo. Actually it's the most beautiful hospital that I've ever seen in my life. I've been operated on in different hospitals in the span of my life. Until now, ito ang pinakamaganda na ospital. Ang sarap nang mamatay sa kagandahan.

I am pleased to join the Presidential Security Group, my fellow workers in government and our partners from the private sector as we gather for the inauguration of the PSG Station Hospital. Truly, this is a proud day for all of us.

Congratulations to the PSG officials for the success of this project. I commend you and your partners for working hard to make the PSG Hospital a reality.

The construction of this medical facility is an admirable feat, especially amidst the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. This will greatly benefit PSG personnel, their dependents and other primary stakeholders.

This new PSG Hospital is a testament to the Administration's commitment to provide quality medical services to our troops.

I encourage all PSG personnel to take advantage of the broad range of hospital services and state-of-the-art facilities made available to you.

Our highly-skilled medical staff will provide you with the best quality of service. It is my hope that your healthcare needs will be adequately addressed by this facility, especially in these challenging times.

As we move forward, you can be assured that we will provide you with all the necessary support and assistance you need to focus on fulfilling your mandate of protecting the country and the Filipino people.

Today is also the formal turnover of the book, "Philippine Tactical Combat Casualty Care Course Manual," to the Armed Forces of the Philippines and the [Philippine] National Police. Baka magdating 'yan doon sa mga NPA ha. Taguin ninyo 'yan.

I thank the Philippine Center for Advanced Surgery of the Cardinal Santos Medical Center, the Philippine Society for the Surgery of Trauma, PNP Special Action Forces, and the PNP Aviation Security Group for your devoted efforts in the publication of this manual. Your competence, knowledge, and skills are vital in developing the capacity of our troops and ensuring the success of their operations.

This manual also exemplifies the effective collaboration of various institutions to help safeguard the lives of Filipinos. We must continually support those engaged in field combat to maintain peace and order in the Philippines.

I urge you to further uphold excellence, integrity, and compassion in the provision of tactical field care. With the same dedication and commitment, may you inspire your peers to help build a peaceful and safe country for our people.

I trust that all of you will be relentless in upholding our national security. To the heroes in the [medical] field, I thank you for your unwavering cooperation in government. There's a word here "medical" field. May we continue to work together to achieve our highest aspirations for the Philippines.

Maraming salamat po. *[applause]*

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