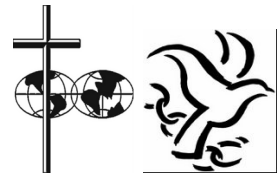




Center for Peace, Justice and Human Rights in the Philippines



Ecumenical Advocacy Network On The Philippines



What: Prayer Vigil - Human Rights Abuses in the Philippines

When: July 30, 2009 at 12 noon

Where: White House North Sidewalk

Background

Since 2001, under the Arroyo administration, there has been a sharp increase of Filipinos who have died or disappeared, or have been tortured and threatened because of their efforts to uplift and protect the dignity of our brothers and sisters in the Philippines. Melissa Roxas, Juanito Carabeo, and Edward Jandoc are just three of those who endured such inhumane treatment by those in power, including the Philippine Military. As people of faith, we have the responsibility to do something to stop such evil.

We ask you therefore to journey with us to call God and our leaders, especially President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo and President Barack Obama, as they meet on this day, to address this issue so that genuine peace and justice will be attained in the Philippines.

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