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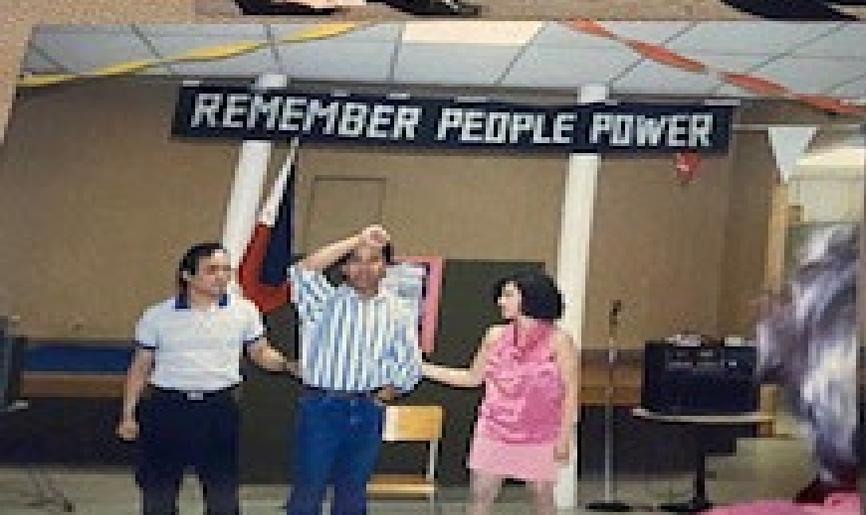
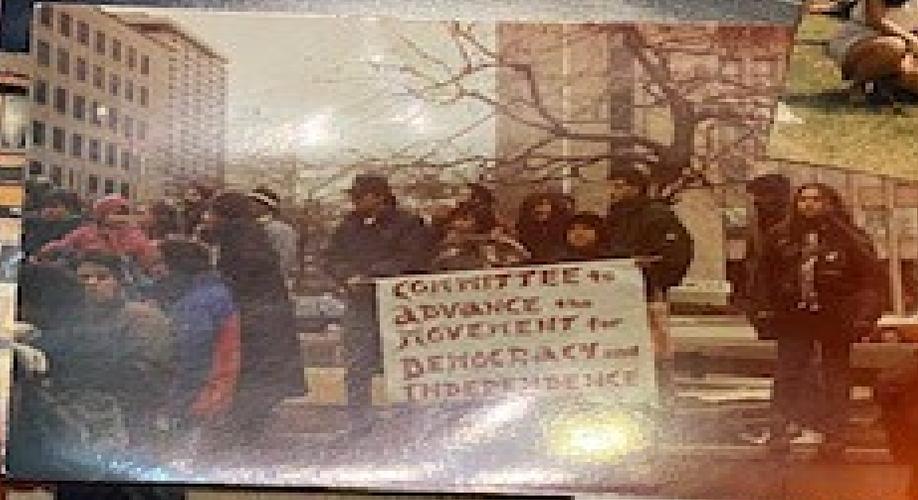
Conference Report
**Memory, Truth-telling,
and the Pursuit of Justice**

A Conference on the Legacies
of the Marcos Dictatorship









Eyewitness Report

Latest on the Philippines!

Cary Shaul, a Canadian member of CAMDI, travelled in the Philippines for five weeks. He met with people from all walks of life — from Marcos loyalists, Aquino supporters to revolutionary fighters.

Slide show: Road of Neglect

7:00 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 16

229 College Street
(Development Education Centre - basement)

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(Since 1979)

June 13, 1987
Seton Park (Dundas)
Saturday 10 am - 4 pm



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Statement of Cary Shaul

Points of Order



Walking with a Dictator is a startling report on America's 20-year alliance with the "corrupt dictatorship" of Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos and his wife, Imelda. It is a story of power and greed abroad and ideological warfare in Washington over America's support of one of the world's most vicious rulers.

The book documents, in unprecedented detail, the incredible lifestyle of Imelda, the insupportable and assassination of Benigno "Ninoy" Aquino, of the Marcos family capitalism that drained the Philippines of between \$5 and \$10 billion.

It also addresses the broad question of why America, to its detriment, chooses to embrace dictators, be they Batista, Diem, Somalia, the Shah, or Marcos.

Walking with a Dictator is foreign-policy reporting at its finest.



Raymond Bonner is a former and longtime vice journalist for The New York Times for Central America from 1980-1982. Previous to his book on the Philippines, he wrote *Washington and Death*, U.S. Policy and El Salvador.

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Invite you to meet
Raymond Bonner

Author of *Walking with a Dictator*
 (a book about the Marcos years and
 U.S. foreign policy in the Philippines)

Date: **Wednesday,
 August 19, 1987**

Time: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
 Place: **DFC Gallery**
 Development Education Centre
 221 College Street
 Toronto



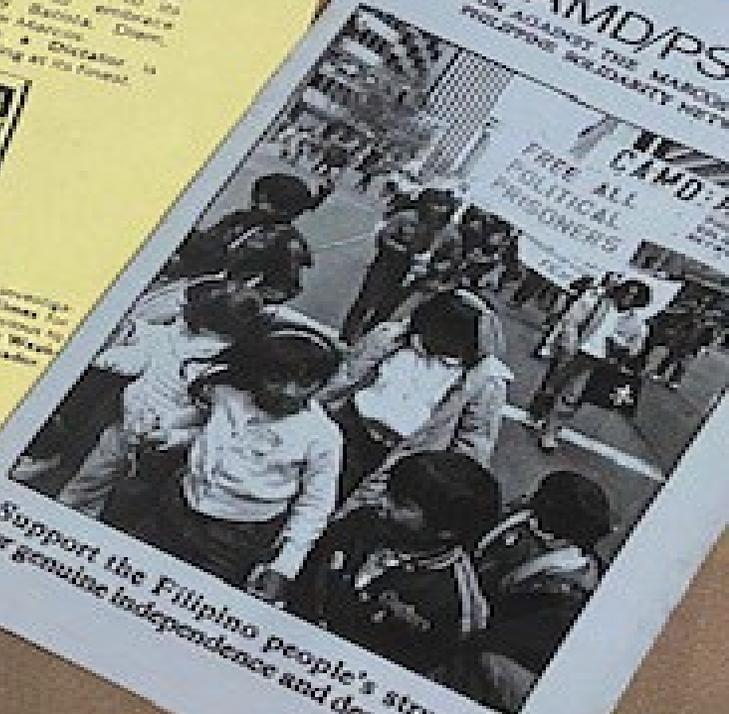
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Dictatorship NEVER AGAIN!!!



Quezon City, Philippines, February 25, 1986

**COMMITTEE TO ADVANCE THE MOVEMENT
FOR DEMOCRACY AND INDEPENDENCE**

So Washington, D.C. CAMDI to sponsor conference

By Jojo Germaine

The Committee to Advance the Movement for Democracy and Independence (CAMDI-Philippines), on its 14th year of Philippine support work, is gearing up for its annual North American conference.

This year's event will be held in Washington, D.C. on May 21-23, and will be attended by delegates from the 11 CAMDI chapters in the U.S. and Canada.

slated to be keynote speakers will be two of the Philippines' most original and long-enduring political thinkers and mass-movement organizers: the legendary Bernabe Buscayno, also "Komander Dante" and Francisco "Dodong" Nemenzo, founder of BESI and nemesis of military rule. (Their attendance has been confirmed, barring the refusal of the U.S. embassy to issue them U.S. visas).

The conference is centered on the theme, "Post-Marco: Philippines and its Problems: An Alternative View from the Left".

Significantly, the presence of Dodong and Dante as special guests reflect the tone of the conference.

In CAMDI's view, the political process in the Philippines is "new". The problem is, there are no new approaches. What we have now is the same old political machinery and perpetuation of pro-

letarily built BESI, a broad-based alliance of left and middle forces.

Dante, on the other hand, is a peasant, who organized the landless rural workers, founded the NPA, and then, after Marcos, deliberately shifted to the open form of struggle when he ran in the last senatorial election.

But in other respects, everything is new. Aquino is not dictator Marcos.

Politically, there has been a qualitative change. However, the economic and social conditions remain the same. So the people are disappointed, but they do not call for the overthrow of the government.

Both of them, professor and peasant, are united in one thing: to challenge the anti-people agenda of the fascist forces as well as strengthen the political capacity of the movement through active engagement in the parliamentary and legal arena.

Both Dante and Dodong believe in defending, expanding and maximizing the current democratic space, and enhancing all avenues for educating, organizing, and mobilizing the people on a mass-basis. Both believe in the creation of a popular front on

an anti-fascist basis, and as the consistent voice of the "independent left", they both call for an objective analysis of the situation.

In line with these developments the two main topics of the conference are: the Evolution of the Aquino Government and the Proper Posture Towards It; and second, Alternative Strategy for the Revolutionary Movement.

One set of panelists will further elaborate on human rights and the insurgency, land reform, and the military. Another set of panelists will delve into the economy, such as the debt crisis, and U.S.-Philippine relations.

In preparation for the conference, Geline Avila, national coordinator of CAMDI, flew in over the week-end from California to consult with the Toronto chapter of CAMDI.

Part of the conference event will be a "solidarity night" to be attended by the international diplomatic community of Washington, D.C., solidarity groups, some U.S. government officials, the press and other Philippine watchers.

Member organizations of COPE (Coalition for Peace), Toronto, will also send their

representatives, coming from Project Ang Balta, Movement for a Free Philippines and the Carlos Bulosan Cultural Workshop.

In the spirit of the coalition,

these guests will join CAMDI members in exploring the possibilities of a broad-based democratic alliance in support of a viable political alternative for the Philippines.

Ilang gabing malamig

Vigil for peace: fascist beware!

By Jojo Germaine

The cold wind bites and darkness starts to thicken as night approaches. On the sidewalk, a small knot of people begins to gather. A lonely placard appears: "Defend peace and democracy in the Philippines". Someone lights a candle; for a moment the day's fierce struggles against the wind and then is snuffed out.

TORONTO — It was an ominous sign for the start of the candlelight vigil for peace and democracy on that cold October night outside the Philippine consulate on Avenue Road.

The tiny band of people seemed lost in the rush of the Friday evening traffic and their appeal for the defense of peace — against the restoration of military rule — sounded like a cry in the wilderness.

In late August, another challenge, in the form of another coup attempt, was mounted against the Cory government. This time, there was no doubt about the

I hear some say this is a period of ebbs, that people tend to be back, feeling that having ousted Marcos, the restoration of military rule is an life threat.

It is, in fact, in a situation like this, when people do nothing, that peace and democracy begin to be seriously threatened.

For as the community sleeps, anti-people forces continue to push harder to undermine democracy. We have not seen the last of the coup attempts. And a vigil for peace is not over. We need to stand

together again.

As the vigil continued, people began to close ranks, finding protection against the cold, shielding their tiny candlelight from the wind. One after another, the speakers made their call:

Nora of Project Ang Balta, Rita of CAMDI, Yolanda of CBCW, Effie of the Knights of Columbus, Bro. Lorenzo Ruiz Council, Mt.

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