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**AT THE VISIT TO THE TOYOTA MOTOR PHILIPPINES CORPORATION
MANUFACTURING PLANT**

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We are here now in the Toyota Plant at nandito po tayo para i-celebrate ang anniversary ng Toyota dito sa Pilipinas.

And it is a very important day not only because we have to recognize the contributions that Toyota Motor Corporation has brought to the Philippines. We have to recognize the help that it has given -- that this plant such as this has given us and our people. Makita mo ang magandang -- 'yung mga tao natin, our Filipino employees who have come to work with Toyota have been -- are very highly trained, are also extremely steeped in the Japanese culture of production which is very important because they have shown themselves to be one of the most if not the most efficient when it comes to manufacturing and high volume production of products.

Kaya't we are very lucky to have as a partner the Toyota Motor Corporation and of course all of those -- the Chairman has come all the way from Japan to help us celebrate and we are all very happy to see him here. At hindi lamang 'yung pag-celebrate, not only to celebrate the many years of Toyota Motor Company here in the Philippines but also to look to new beginnings dahil nga -- because we are always talking about the transformation of the economy. We have always seen Toyota as being an important partner in everything, in our development in the Philippines. And now especially in these difficult times, these are the partnerships that we think -- that I am certain will be of benefit not only to the Philippines but also to Toyota and even for our partners in Japan.

So maraming salamat. Thank you very much and I hope you are...

[*applause*] Dapat makita ninyo itong plantang ito. Para kang... Sinabi ko nga sa ating mga kababayan na nagtatrabaho para kayong -- pakiramdam ninyo nasa Japan kayo ano? Oo kasi talagang napakaayos and it's very well run.

So I'm glad to have come and I thank the Chairman, Chairman of Toyota, for making time to come to the Philippines to be with us on this important day.

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