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Last night we had a second joint retreat with retreat masters talking to us in succession. The retreat masters had invited them to dinner at the Mansion then to another session. Father Cruz talked on filters and the Christian's commitment in Philippine society. Father Tansico followed on counsel for the married - the differences of outlook between the man and woman. The woman seeks to build a home so she is obsessed with a home life. But the man also wants a work life. The woman is passionate and his love is in spurts but the woman is romantic, needs the refinements of preparation for the sexual act and has a love that is more consistent and prolonged and may be too possessive. Father Debrida who is a Basque, a Jesuit and colleague of the Black Pope and was become the Black Pope spoke of the need to consider each human being as the nearest approach to God and therefore must be treated as such.

The common note was hope and not despair, life and not death and the triumph of goodness in man over evil - this struggle being the most agonizing of conflicts. Black Ops was a plot to take over the government by some retirees being spoken of in media circles. He says that Thursday or Friday students armed by the Hukos or the CIA will attack the police and Metrocom place me under house arrest in Baguio, the first division to rebracket any loyal troops of the AFP. So I sent Gen. Zagala to take over command of the 1st Infantry Division, grounded Col. Carreon, deputy Commander and an SOCOMA man,

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as well as Commodore Cabal and Col. Irlanda, Commander and Deputy of the SOWESCOM as well as Col. Pizon CO of the 20th BCT and Capt Tangkail the S-2 of the 10th BCT stationed in Central Luzon.

Gen. Zapala has taken back command of the Tabak Division, transferred command of the Pasing Task Force to Col. Jaso, Deputy Commander of PHILCAG. The Deputy Commander of Gen. Rencudo, C4 of the 5th Fighter Wing (Jet fighters), Col. Bangor was replaced by Col. Buena.

Class '44 of PMA will be retired except for some who are vouched for by the loyal commanders.

So everything is under control. But I guess that this is a false alarm. However as Gen. Espino, Vice Chief of Staff who was here on the way to inspect Balones, says, there is nothing lost in precaution. He commands the reserves of nine battalions in the contingency plan.

Chris Roco saw Gen. Alex Fabela last night and says he is willing to sell the Manila Times. He is probably feeling the pressure and may think that he is going to be arrested next. I do not believe him but we will play along. I am sending Ronnie Velasco, who has suggested to Beling Roco to put up an anti-communist newspaper with the Manila Times outlets, to see how Ramon Roco if the stockholders (Ramon Roco actually organized the Manila Times after the war and gave shares first to the Roco family) will sell out. Then I meet Chris Saturday here in Baguio. I go to Ilocos Norte, buy a Poro Point & return to Baguio tomorrow. I do not go to Manila for lunch.