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Saturday

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For the first time in many months I played golf in the morning. Hot, sweltering. Perspired till even my trousers were wet through and through.

Ambassador Farolan just arrived from UNCTAD and the wedding of his daughter. I have asked him to prepare a paper on the Indonesian foreign policy, especially in relation to the Philippines, Australia and the other countries in the region.

I directed the Solicitor General and Chairman Leo Virata to prepare a memorandum to explain the fraud committed by the financiers in the ISMI case. Especially on the refusal to pay anything on the \$10 million that was paid by DBP or guaranteed by it for raw materials. And the reason, according to Justice Antonio Barredo, the ISMI cannot pay their indebtedness - the floating rate and the refusal of the DBP to restructure the loans notwithstanding the agreement with the World Bank to do so. So the Supreme Court ordered the Central Bank to comply with the order

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of Judge Tumbayag of Jaqueo del Norte to
allow raw materials to be imported.

In the evening I conferred on the
emergency and contingency plans with Sec.
Ponce Enrile and Gen. Ramos. They also
brought Dick de la Camara, the chief of the
Hija-Quon tribe, wanted by the law, and an
escapee from the agrarian provincial jail.