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This morning I met Sen. Tanaka,
leader of the opposition in Japan and the
mayor of the city of

Worked on the reorganization of
the Bureau of Customs with Com. Ibalin
removing Collector Inocencio from the MIA.
Then finalized the preparations of
Bobby Benedicto before his departure for his
Tokyo ambassadorial appointment.

Have final instructions to Blas
Ople, Dr. Orosa and Adriaan Cristobal on the
state of the nation address. The international
situation and the press over which we have
no control but which may adversely affect
our country; the pending aspect of the steel
structures of international relations (Red Line
admitted into the United Nations and in the
Security Council; the U.S. slowly pulling

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back into what could be Tarlac Amador,
Julia, the old leader of the centralists now
openly joining hands with Russia against
China and the U.S. and Pakistan; the
transition from polarization to pluralization
and the flexibility of the foreign policies
of nations etc etc — these must of
necessity affect us beyond our expectations.

and so too the monetary policy of the
U.S., Japan, Germany etc — the big four —
the revaluation of currencies.

We must also explain the limitations
and restrictions that prevent the attainment
of our objectives.

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Ambassador Byrge came to
transmit the message of Pres. Nixon before
his visit to Moscow and Peking that there
will be no agreement of mutual withdrawal
from Europe, no political agreements and
no arrangements about the hands of allies
that nothing unusual should therefore be
expected from these meetings.

Then I met the Covcom delegates
from the Visayas.

The Covcom committee on Legislative
power chairmanned by Sr. Speaker Domingo
Deloso has just voted for a parliamentary
form of government by a vote of 22, 9, 2
(the 2 being abstentions). The other committee on
Executive Power should also report on a parliamen-
tary system.