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I have asked Sen Pres Puyat to help unite the party if he and the others are interested in running for president. And they are now going to call conferences for this.

As I predicted Sen. Talantino, Padilla, Pelaez, Torres and Sumulong are now going to behave to win the support of the party.

Also talked to speaker Pro Temp Jose Aldeguer to be the bridge for rapprochement with the Laurels and the Lopezos so that they too will come back to the party for the campaign of 1973. They should participate in the convention to choose the presidential and senatorial candidates.

I revealed to Cong. Durano, Navarro and Duranero my doubts as to whether there will be elections in 1973 because of the possibility that if the HPA's do not start violence there may be attempts at a coup d'etat by the political groups or the armed forces groups.

And that we must all prepare for an emergency.

I have asked the finalization of reforms to restructure our society. So that if power

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can be again consolidated the plans may
be implemented.

This will now occupy me for the
next two weeks.

Tonight I talked to:

1. Ramon Velasco on the investment program
2. Bobby Benedicto on the use of KBS radio. A survey as to effect of programs will be made.
3. Leaning Veloso, Mending Veloso, Bedy Antivilad and Arturo Mate
4. Gen. Chant Sujan and Major Sujan on the turnabout of Melchor Padua and now that Binoy Cruzelo is neutralized their men should be warned not to abuse or they will suffer the same fate.
5. Mending Copanaga, Mending Reyes, Kofay Romuldo and Jim Fibern on the afternoon newspapers.

The rain since yesterday caused floods all over Manila up to waistline in some cases. Mayor Bagatsing is being blamed.

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The plot to assassinate me has been confirmed by one of the co-conspirators paid an advance of ₱4,000. This was supposed to take place on Independence Day, June 12th.

The informer is Feliciano Batario alias Daduy of 3515 Calio St, Bo. Obrero, Tondo, Manila.

Com - Escudé who brought attention to this information because "although he is a Liberal, he would not want this to happen to the President", assures the reliability of the informer.

I attach the report of Gen. Ver.