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As I expected the Liberals and the Manila Times have started to make much of OPlan Saggitaris.

So I have openly appealed to the Liberals not to connive with the Communists, revealing that Jose Maria Sison and other Communists have met with Liberals for a common front and consolidation of forces on propaganda, logistics, armed support and prevent the use of emergency powers - giving details.

I am sure this will start another raging controversy.

The reason there is a clamor for martial law is the open threat of the Communists to punish the officers including me even after the termination of their office; the fact that if nothing is done the Communists will take over, and the half measures like the suspension of the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus will not do; and the society has to be reformed.