2012 PHILIPPINES UPDATE
PEACE PROSPECTS AND DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES IN MINDANAO

School of International, Political and Strategic Studies (IPS)
ANU College of Asia and the Pacific

Conference Program

DAY 1 Thursday 11 October – Common Room, University House

4.00–4.30pm REGISTRATION

4.30–6.00pm KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Corazon “Dinky” Juliano Soliman, Secretary, Department of Social Welfare and Development, Republic of the Philippines

6.00–7.00pm DRINKS

DAY 2 Friday 12 October – Theatre 1, Hedley Bull Centre

9.00–9.05am WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE LAND
Paul Hutchcroft (Australian National University)

9.05–9.15am OPENING REMARKS
Rod Brazier (First Assistant Director General, East Asia Division, AusAID)

9.15–10.30am POLITICAL UPDATE
Ronald D. Holmes (De La Salle University and Pulse Asia)
Moving Forward but for How Long? 26 Months into the Benigno s. Aquino III Administration

Discussant & Chair: Paul Hutchcroft (Australian National University)

10.30–10.50am MORNING TEA

10.50–12.05pm ECONOMICS UPDATE
Désirée A. Desierto (University of the Philippines-Diliman)
Reforming Institutions and Building Trust to Achieve Sustained Economic Development

Discussant & Chair: Hal Hill (Australian National University)

12.05–1.00pm LUNCH
1.00–3.10pm  PANEL: PEACE PROSPECTS

Patricio N. Abinales (University of Hawai‘i)
*Mentalities, Mythology, and the Problem of Mindanao’s Biographies*

Abhoud Syed M. Lingga (Institute of Bangsamoro Studies)
*Peace Prospects in Mindanao*

Miriam Coronel Ferrer (University of the Philippines-Diliman)
*Negotiating a Peace Settlement for the Bangsamoro: Opportunities and Challenges*

Steven Rood (The Asia Foundation)
*The Role of International Actors in the Search for Peace in Mindanao*

Discussant: Noel M. Morada (University of Queensland)
Chair: Sam Chittick (AusAID-Manila)

3.10–3.30pm  AFTERNOON TEA

3.30–5.45pm  PANEL: DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

Rosemarie Edillon (National Economic Development Authority)
*Delivering on the Promises to the People of the Land of Promise*

Toby Monsod (University of the Philippines-Diliman)
*Armed Conflict and Human Development in ARMM*

Fracisco J. Lara Jr (International Alert)
*The ‘Real Economy’ and Strongman Rule In Mindanao: Sub-National State Building in Conflict-Affected Areas*

Rufa Cagoco-Guiam (Mindanao State University-General Santos City)
*The Road to Heaven is Littered with Devilish Details - Problematising Development in Mindanao’s Culturally Diverse, Conflict-Affected Areas*

Discussant: Ron May (Australian National University)
Chair: Octavia Borthwick (AusAID-Manila)

6.30pm  CONFERENCE DINNER – Delhi 6, 14 Childers Street