

MAP Statement on the Passing of Pres. BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

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The Management Association of the Philippines (MAP) joins the country in mourning the passing of His Excellency, former President Benigno S. Aquino III.

His administration was marked by impressive economic growth, with four credit rating upgrades and a significant increase in foreign direct investments, aided by his focus on transparency and good governance.

Although his administration had its fair share of challenges, the reforms he initiated in public infrastructure, the judiciary, education, health care, and social protections created an engine for progress. And he generated a new respect for the country on the world stage. The West Philippine Sea arbitral ruling is evidence of international recognition of our territorial integrity.

In creating his place in history, each leader can only hope he leaves something better than what he found. The Philippines which President Aquino left behind was indeed a better place.