



Razor's Edge

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A Vote for Villar Is a Vote for Prez Arroyo

NEWYORK, NY Feb. 13 (PinoyGlobal) - Lito Banayo wrote in his last column at the Malaya that Sen. Manny Villar Jr., is secret presidential candidate of Pres. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo (GMA). This makes Gilbert "Gibo" Teodoro unwitting pawn in the sordid scheme conceived by the ambition obsessed political demagogues. One aspires to become Speaker of the House in May, while the other wants to incorporate Malacanang as one of the condominiums of his Adelfa Properties Inc.

Disgruntled Arroyo underlings breathed the dirty plot to Banayo in time for his next column in the hope that if the nation is abreast with the shenanigans of Mrs. Arroyo and Villar, they will foil the C-5 artist from usurping the presidency assisted by GMA who would just be delighted to vicariously continue her misrule through a puppet like Manny Villar. One of the whistle-blowers is Lito's mole in the Palace; that's how unimpeachable the informant is.

The unholy alliance emanated long before Teodoro was selected GMA's heir apparent. All along he was an unwitting babe in the woods of intrigues crafted by Gloria and her sinister think tank. Little did the young Harvard scholar know that he was merely a sacrificial lamb? Choosing him as her successor was pregnant with merit given his brilliant mind, colorful background as a bar topnotcher.

In no time however, the convoluted affair exhibited its dark purpose. He was just a pawn in the demonic game played by his boss. Metaphorically speaking, Gilbert is her chocolate soldier in the drama that will make her leave the presidency unscathed—immune from being prosecuted for plunder along with her husband and two sons in Congress.

According to the exposé sometime last year Pres. Arroyo went to Egypt and Syria. Unbeknownst to the people back home, Congresswoman Cynthia Villar and her husband (Money Villar) winged to sunny Spain for unexplained reasons, almost simultaneously. Vacation was out of the question because the heat of the campaign just begun to percolate and it was political suicide to desert the arena. Unless of course, it was for a more crucial reason, and that it was.

Additionally, the C-5 investigation was running at break neck speed churning his integrity, i.e., if he has a prickly heat size of it. A truly innocent man would stay and summon his mercurial temper to fight his detractors, but he did exactly the opposite, which is the way of a culprit. Months later he was found guilty and when the Committee investigating him was ready to sanction him on the last day of session it had to adjourn for lack of quorum: Villar ordered colleagues in his payroll to boycott it to save him from being ousted or suspended as a senator. But going abroad to rendezvous with the Arroyos was insane let alone obscene political move. Plainly it was hazardous to his case, albeit it gained him the support of the president, and you know what that means—military support along with humongous funds coming to his war chest.

How else can he explain his tactically ruinous disappearance just when the ethics Committee of the Whole was scalping him in his absence plus the fact that his presidential campaign dismally tailgated behind Sen. Benigno "Noy" Aquino III by miles in every poll survey? Indeed traveling to Spain did not make sense considering the pressure under which he

labored, back home. Villar's chances tilted precariously to oblivion where it not for the sudden wind beneath his wings buoyed it up as per the "latest surveys." Just the same the tryst with GMA exposed him as Gloria's anointed secret candidate in the May elections.

In any case, the story goes that the Villars and Madam Arroyo met somewhere in the Mediterranean in a cloak and dagger fashion - inconspicuously. Or so they thought they were. What transpired is the bizarre arrangement that the C-5 will fizzle out with the help of her minions in Congress, apart from her unqualified support for his presidential run. In exchange, Villar will close his eyes to all her venalities in office and boost her aspiration for Speaker with the help of his presidency after she gets elected by her constituents of Pampanga's 2nd district in May.

While this recitation smacks of conjectures and conclusions, they nevertheless are plausible in the sense that things are shaping up the way it was meant to be. Villar is now suddenly flying in the highly in highly commercialized surveys peddled to the highest bidder. With his money, Villar must have won the bidding. The obscene scenario is made possible by the macabre conjugal union of the twin devils.

I do not want to sound patting my back but long before any such grim forecast was conceived by Lito Banayo and other keen observers that their political marriage will take place, I also already harped about it months ago. Based on how desperate the realtor turned politician wants to be president and Gloria's obsession to glue herself to power one way or the other what is impossible? The rest is history; we now have the spectacle of his anointment as Madam Arroyo's knight to redeem her from a cruel fate of being jailed for corruption and extrajudicial killings, et.

Their careless abandon unscrupulousness is alarming because it is beginning to shape up according their sordid blue print of government. The erstwhile batang palengke has miraculously or shall I say inordinately climbed our political Mt. Everest to catch up with Noynoy who consistently led the pack of presidential wannabes all these months until that fateful Mediterranean rendezvous of Gloria and Money Villar.

But will you dear voters permit this to happen? You deserve better than them, so elect with your conscience and not with one hand in your pockets. If you must, receive the money but vote for the right man and woman in the coming 2010 elections.

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