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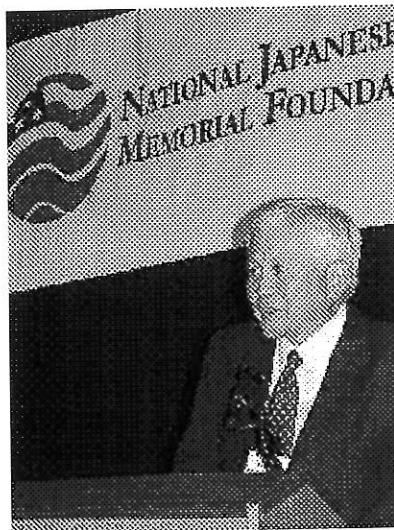
**AMBASSADOR DEL ROSARIO CONGRATULATES THE PHILIPPINE SCOUTS FOR RECEIVING THE PATRIOTISM AWARD OF THE NATIONAL JAPANESE AMERICAN MEMORIAL FOUNDATION**

Ambassador Albert del Rosario congratulated the Philippine Scouts for receiving the annual Patriotism Award of the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation (NJAMF). Ambassador del Rosario extolled the valor and heroism of the Philippine Scouts in defending both the Philippines and the United States during World War II.

Ambassador del Rosario said that the legacy of the Philippine Scouts lives on in the service of Filipinos in the US Armed Forces. He stated that the Philippines and the United States continue to stand together today as allied democracies.

The NJAMF Patriotism Award was introduced by long-time friend of the Philippines, Sen. Daniel Inouye, who is a recipient of the US Congressional Medal of Honor for his bravery in World War II. It was received on behalf of the Philippine Scouts by Lieut. Gen. Edward Soriano, US Army (ret), who is the son of a Philippine Scout and by Maj. Menandro Parazo, Philippine Scouts (ret), who now resides in El Paso, Texas.

The awards ceremony was held in the J.W. Marriott, Washington, D.C., on 6 April 2006



Ambassador Albert del Rosario congratulated the Philippine Scouts at the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation's Annual Awards Dinner, J.W. Marriott, 6 April 2006



The National Japanese American Memorial Foundation's (NJAMF) Annual Awards Dinner, J.W. Marriott, 6 April 2006, where the Philippine Scouts were awarded the NJAMF's Award for Patriotism



L to R: Gen. Delfin Lorenzana (ret), Head, Veterans Affairs, Phil. Embassy; Melvin Rosen, Philippine Scouts; Maj. Antonio Bacani; Philippine Commonwealth Army (ret); Maj. Menandro Parazo, Philippine Scouts (ret); Lieut. Gen. Edward Soriano, US Army (ret); Sen. Daniel Inouye; Amb. del Rosario



L to R: Maj. Menandro Parazo, Philippine Scouts (ret); Lieut. Gen. Edward Soriano, US Army (ret); Sen. Daniel Inouye



Amb. del Rosario with Gen. Eric Shinseki, US Army (ret), former Chief of Staff, US Army



Evan P. Garcia, Deputy Chief of Mission, Phil. Emb.; Maj. Gen. Antonio Taguba, US Army; Debbie Taguba