Against Lacson's Warrantless Arrest

The Communist Party joins the broad sections of society in condemning the fascist proposal of Gen. Panfilo Lacson to revive the ASSO and PDA of the deposed US-Marcos dictatorship. In the second half of February, Gen. Lacson insisted on legalizing "warrantless arrests" or the granting of powers to the reactionary military and police to make arrests without going through the legal processes and without proper court injunction.

This presents yet other proof of how the reactionary US-Estrada regime uses the issue of criminality and the campaign against crime to commit widespread suppression of democratic rights and, thus, enable it to impose worse antipeople, antinational and antidemocratic policies.

Lacson's proposal is just one of the many openly fascist policies and laws that are already being implemented and prepared by the Estrada regime including the moratorium on strikes, repeal of the minimum wage law and others. These measures will certainly meet with the people's anger and militant resistance. The Party is confident that relentless violations of human rights will be roundly defeated by the Filipino people.

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