

PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN MANAMA HOSTS DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION TO CELEBRATE 118TH ANNIVERSARY OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE



The cake cutting ceremony led by H.E. Alfonso A. Ver with Shaikh Khalifa bin Rashid Al Khalifa, Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Khalifa, Shaikh Abdullah bin Rashid Al Khalifa, members of Diplomatic Corps, and government officials

01 June 2016 – The Philippine Embassy in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain celebrated the 118th Anniversary of the Declaration of Philippine Independence on 31 May 2016 with a diplomatic reception held at the Radisson Blu Hotel, Manama, under the theme *“Kalayaan 2016: Pagkakaisa, Pagaambagan, Pagsulong.”*

HRH Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa was represented at the event by Shaikh Khalifa bin Rashid Al Khalifa, Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Khalifa and Shaikh Abdullah bin Rashid Al Khalifa as the chief guests. Undersecretary Abdulla Abdullatif Abdulla represented the Bahrain Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In his speech, H.E. Alfonso A. Ver expressed his deep appreciation of HRH's Premier's support for all efforts aimed at boosting cooperation between the Philippines and Bahrain. He underlined the Philippines' interest in further widening cooperation with Bahrain in all fields. Ambassador Ver highlighted the great strides achieved by the Philippine economy the recent successful national elections. He also recognized the efforts of the Filipino community in Bahrain.

In attendance at the event were members of the Diplomatic Corps, government officials, business leaders, and members of the Filipino community in Bahrain. END





Ms. Maria Esmeralda singing the Bahrain National Anthem



Ms. Aubrey Haducat singing the Philippine National Anthem



H.E. Alfonso A. Ver and spouse Mrs. Caroline Belinda C. Ver at the reception line



The reception line welcoming the guests (From left: Captain Socimo F. de Guzman Jr., Welfare Officer Priscilla Flores, Labor Attache Cynthia Q. Lamban,, Mrs. Marieta Aragon, Spouse of Vice Consul Joaquin Ricardo R. Aragon, Mrs. Belinda Caroline C. Custodio Ver and H.E. Alfonso A. Ver)







Buffet Area







Group Picture of Embassy Personnel and attached agencies lead by H.E. Alfonso A. Ver and spouse Mrs. Caroline Belinda C. Ver



Philippine Independence Anniversary Cake

