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Demonstrations outside Clark Air Base, late 1960s Source: Anti-American demonstrations, Photo 1010–1620 Courtesy of the American Historical Collection (AHC), Rizal Library, Ateneo de Manila University

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The Historic Senate Vote of 16 September 1991 Looking Back and Looking Forward Twenty-Five Years After

On 16 September 1991 the Philippine Senate voted against a proposed treaty to extend the presence of United States military bases in the Philippines for another ten years. As an insider in the Senate from 1987 to 1995, I reflect on the significance of this historic vote, which signified victory for the nationalist movement. How was it possible for a traditionally conservative and pro-US institution like the Philippine Senate to brave American displeasure by rejecting treaty extension? I address this question from the perspective of the broad antinuclear and anti-bases movement in the Philippines, from which a step-by-step strategy was implemented.

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Facebook and the Intricacies of Migrant Self-Making among Ilonggo OFWs in South Korea

This article explores the diverse ways that Ilonggo-speaking male Filipino migrant workers in South Korea engage with Facebook. It studies the performance of online identities in relation to the migrants' realities as social subjects and the technological mediation of the self and reciprocal exchange. It argues that online narratives can highlight facets of offline life that allow migrants a measure of biographical stability amid physical displacement, yet the same conditions create opportunities to negotiate competing online and offline narratives, complicating the illusion of a unified self. Online selves call for the need to reformulate Goffman's notion of the interaction order.

KEYWORDS: OVERSEAS FILIPINOS · IDENTITY · SELF-MAKING · FACEBOOK · PERFORMANCE · ERVING GOFFMAN

Aljamiado Hispanofilipino The Spanish Language in Philippine Jawi Script

From the seventeenth century to the nineteenth century Philippine Moros increasingly wrote the Spanish language in Arabic script known as Philippine Jawi. This cultural phenomenon, which went beyond mere code switching, is illustrated through documents found in the National Archives of the Philippines, particularly protocols involving the Tausug and Maguindanao sultanates. The use of Spanish in Jawi documents increased, thanks to Zamboanga's role as a cultural center in the south and Manila's ability to attract sultans politically. Jawi was also used as the script in language primers through the strategic work of the Jesuit Jacinto Juanmartí, who originated Moro philology.

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