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Dear sympathizers and engaged people against human rights violations in the Philippines,

Tomorrow, **Tuesday 16th of September**, there is a conference entitled '**Philippine relations with the European Union: shared values and prospects for cooperation**', at the **Castle of Val Duchesse (Hertoginnendal)** with **President Aquino as the keynote speaker**. The president is expected to address influential Europeans to support his governments own views and policies on different matters.

Intal, together with Filipino organizations such as Migrante International and UPB (Ugnayang Pilipino sa Belgium) will be present from 6:30pm until 7:30pm with a symbolic action in front of the castle. We want to give the message that under his regime, hundreds of Filipino trade unionists, students, lawyers, activists... have been killed, disappeared or imprisoned for their dedication to fight injustice in the Philippines. And at the same time, to point out the impunity given to the aggressors. We want our own Belgian and European policymakers to consider these issues. For more information, [click here for the article in Dutch](#), and [here for the article in French](#).

How to get there? The adress is 259 Boulevard du Souverain, 1160 Brussels. Meeting place: metro station Hermann-Debroux, 6pm sharp. From there we can take the tram (2 stops) together. Contact person: Johan (gsm: 0471/24.57.34)

In solidarity with the Filipino people,

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