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I have had to postpone the proclamation of ownership of the land they till by the tenants because of my desire to prevent any dislocation of production if small farmers owning only 6 hectares are dispossessed of their land and merely transfered to what may be a less efficient tenant. So I have asked for more statistics on how many landowners there are owning five hectares or less.

I was interviewed by Tony Clifton of Newsweek and H. Okada of the Japan Economic Reviews.

Before lunch I listened to the Philharmonic and the government's choral group rendition of the Bagong Pagsilang (a Rebirth) a march, and Bagong Lipunan, (New Society) a hymn. Inspiring and moving.

Imelda has asked composer Felipe de Leon to compose them & is also thinking of plays in the Cultural Center and a movie on the New Society.