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The troops after Commander Dante jumped off at 6:00 AM but the results are negative.

A barrio in Bantay, Ilocos Sur was burned apparently by men in uniform led by a son of a "prominent Ilocos Sur political leader." If it could be nobody else referred to but Vicente Ordoñez, son of Gov. and Cong. Ordoñez.

I have ordered the Inspector General and also the CIS of the Constabulary to fix responsibility and prosecute irrespective of who the guilty party is.

But as usual the opposition party is capitalizing on it. We have to talk to the Ordoñezes not to abuse power.

I addressed the middle-management graduates of Malacañang this morning. We are upgrading our civil service with these training. I hope to hand over as a legacy an efficient, incorruptible and dependable civil service which can run the government even without the participation of the President, VPres, the cabinet or Congress.

So no matter who becomes President, the government will run on its own momentum.

I understand the NDPC will try to send Chino Roces to the U.S. to work for the release of the Guingonas and perhaps to even have a condemnation of their deportation Donaldson presented even if not passed. Marx Soliven is becoming rolling but his stooge and puppet