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The Senate Finance Committee headed by Sen. Ceytona accepted all the amendments to the Budget to cut short the discussion with the agreement that the difference will be hammered out in the conference committee. So I met with Sen. Ceytona and House chairman Jose Alberto with Com. Sychangco and we agreed at my suggestion that Com. Sychangco how would cut the conference report with the House version as the basis. Most affected is my power to transfer, cut from 25% to 15% and the provision on the 5% of the General Provisions on Savings

specially. Then met the Senate and House leaders to try to get them to meet before the 22nd and work but they claim this is impossible as the joint resolution of suspension set the resumption for the 5th and the members are out of the country for out of Manila. They agreed to a call to a caucus on the 20th.

We also agreed on the legislative program for the next special session to be called immediately after the present special session terminates on the 22nd. The list of priority bills include the Constitutional Convention, Oil exploration, oil commission, withholding tax on corporations, amendments to the Tariff code, special fund for peace and order, special fund for land reform, agricultural cooperatives etc. Met with all the mayors, governor, vice-governor, board members, captains del barrio and barrio officials of Ilocos Sur, including student leaders who protested the alleged smear on the people and province of Ilocos Sur because of the Ora Bantay incident. Ordered the filing of cases against Governor Chavit Singson who fought the P.C. in [illegible] and [illegible] Batallion