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### **INDONESIAN TERRORIST SENTENCED TO 17 YEARS IN PRISON**

A Pasay City Court today sentenced an Indonesian terrorist to a maximum of 17 years in prison for possession of explosives.

Indonesian Agus DWIKARNA was found guilty of violating Section 3 of Presidential Decree 1866 for illegal Possession of Explosives.

A decision penned by the Honorable Henrick Gingoyon, Presiding judge of the Regional Trial Court Branch 117 of Pasay City sentenced Dwikarna to a prison term of 10 years and one day as minimum to 17 years and four months as maximum.

Dwikarna was also ordered by the Court to pay a fine of P50,000.00.

President Arroyo made quick side trip to the PNP Intelligence Group Office in Camp Crame this Afternoon after being informed of the latest development by PNP Chief, Deputy Director General Hermogenes E Ebdane Jr.

"This is a Victory of the Philippine criminal justice system against international terrorism," President Arroyo Said.

Dwikarna was Arrested by police intelligence agents at the Manila International Airport last March 13 along with fellow Indonesian Abdul Jamal Balfas and Hamsid Lin Rung.

They were found in possession of two pieces of C-4 plastic explosives and five pieces of detonating cord.

The case against Balfas and Lin Rung, were however dismissed earlier by the Court for lack of evidence.

Earlier this year, another Indonesian, Fathur Rohman ALGHOZI was convicted by a court for illegal possession of firearms and sentenced to 10 years in prison.

Algozi is believed responsible for the December 30, 2000 bomb attacks on Metro Manila.

Last July 8, 2002 police arrested Cosain Ramos alias Abu Ali, reportedly an accomplice of Algozi.