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**BAYANIHAN SA AMERIKA Conference in New York to Tackle Ways of  
Strengthening FilComm Associations to help Community and RP**

The first-ever conference of Filipino Community organizations hosted by the Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO) and the Philippine Consulate General, New York will discuss, among others, sustainability factors for non-profit organizations, ways of bridging cultural and generation gaps for the new generation of Fil-Ams and new strategies for development assistance in the Philippines.

To be held on Saturday, 20 October 2007, 9am-7pm at the Philippine Center in New York, the conference is a one-day event which will have distinguished speakers such as Professor Ambeth Ocampo, noted Philippine historian and noted Fil-Comm leaders, Ms. Jean Lobell, Managing Director of Community Resource Exchange, Mr. Rey Padilla of Padilla and Co., LLP, Mr. Vladimir Manuel, founding Chair of Collaborative Opportunities for Raising Empowerment (CORE), Mrs. Ludy Corrales of New Jersey and Mrs. Cristina Castro of Massachusetts. Breakfast, lunch, cocktails and dinner will be served.

The conference has no registration fee and is open to members of Fil-Comm associations in Northeast USA. A similar event was held in Los Angeles on 6 October and will also be held in San Francisco and Chicago.

The Philippine Center in New York is at 556 Fifth Avenue, between 45<sup>th</sup> and 46<sup>th</sup> streets. For more information, interested parties may call the Consulate at 212-764-1330, extension 336 or 306.

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