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Noy 'swelling up with pride' after PH hosting of APEC



APEC LEADERS POSE FOR FAMILY PHOTO: APEC 2015 chairman President Benigno Aquino III poses with fellow world leaders for a family photo with spouses during the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Leaders' Meeting at the Mall of Asia Arena in Manila on Nov. 18, 2015. (Photo by Robert Viton)

By LOUIS BACANI
MANILA — President Benigno Aquino III took pride on how the country hosted this year's Asia-Pacific Economic

Cooperation (APEC) meetings. In his speech after the APEC summit concluded on Thursday, Aquino said he is proud of the APEC agenda set by the

Philippines which centered on inclusive growth. "Since inclusive growth has always been the guiding principle of our administration, we are

proud to have put this approach front and center throughout our hosting APEC this year," Aquino said. Aquino said he is also proud

because the country laid "the foundations on which APEC can chart a course to improve trade and strengthen quality growth." Turn to page 8

Paris victims remembered in Manila

MANILA — Victims of the terror attacks in Paris were remembered in a commemoration ceremony organized by the French Embassy in Manila

Monday. French Ambassador Thierry Mathou said the deadly attacks in France were committed by terrorists who attacked the office of

French magazine *Charlie Hebdo* in January, which was an attack against a symbol of freedom of expression. Turn to page 6



A Frenchwoman lights candles in front of an Eiffel Tower replica outside the Alliance Francaise during a memorial for the victims of the Paris attacks in Makati City. (AP photo)

APEC leaders condemn terrorism; no stand on West Philippine Sea



President Barack Obama is greeted by President Benigno Aquino III as he arrives for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Leaders' Meeting in Manila on Nov. 19, 2015. (AFP/Mat Isham/Pan)

By LOUIS BACANI
MANILA — The Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) summit here ended on Thursday as the 21 heads of economies condemned global terrorism while keeping silent on sea disputes that threaten regional stability.

After the APEC leaders' retreat at the Philippine International Convention Center, the heads of state issued a declaration that laid out their new commitments on regional issues.

However, there was no mention of the West Philippine Sea or South China Sea dispute. Turn to page 8

Philippines ranks 11th in Global Terrorism Index

By ALEXIS ROMERO
MANILA — The Philippines ranked 11th out of 162 countries in terms of the impact of terrorism in the Global Terrorism Index 2015, a tool that analyzes the trends in terrorist activities

worldwide. The country's ranking improved from ninth in 2014 as it saw a decrease in the number of deaths related to terrorism. The Philippines experienced Turn to page 6

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