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## Bongbong: Dad's legacy will boost my candidacy

By CHRISTINA MENDEZ

MANILA — The son of the late Philippine dictator Ferdinand Marcos said Wednesday his father's legacy would help rather than hamper his own bid for the vice presidency.

Sen. Ferdinand Marcos Jr. said his surname was the "greatest blessing," his first public comments since announcing Monday he would run as an independent next May.

Marcos Sr. was accused of large-scale corruption and massive human rights abuses during his tumultuous two decades in

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Sen. Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos Jr. (right) with Kamuning Bakery owner Wilson Flores during the Pandanal Forum in Quezon City on Oct. 7. Marcos told the media that he is running for vice president in the 2016 election. (Photo by Resto Casas) Inset: Former President Ferdinand Marcos.



President Benigno Aquino III (center) raises the hands of Liberal Party presidential bet Manuel Roxas II and vice presidential bet Rep. Leni Robredo at Club Filipino on Oct. 5. (GMA News)

### Leni to stand out among male opponents: Speaker

MANILA — Speaker Feliciano Belmonte Jr. said Tuesday that Camarines Sur Rep. Leni Robredo will have a good chance of winning the vice presidential race in 2016, being the only woman in a field

of six contenders.

Belmonte said he was initially rooting for Sen. Alan Peter Cayetano to be the administration's vice presidential bet but the Liberal Party (LP) chose

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### Philippine Airlines shifts to wider Boeing plane for Manila to New York flights

By LOUELLA D. DESIDERIO

MANILA — Philippine Airlines (PAL) is set to shift to the Boeing 777-300 aircraft from the Airbus A340 plane for its Manila to New York flights later this month to increase seat capacity.

In a statement, PAL said it will start using the 370-seater B777-300 as operating fleet on the Manila to New York service which has a stopover in Vancouver, Canada beginning Oct. 26.

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### Mendoza nominated as head of UN office

MANILA — United Nations chief Ban Ki-moon nominated Tuesday Commission on Audit (COA) Commissioner Heidi Mendoza (pictured at right) as the new under-secretary general for the UN's internal oversight services.

Ban informed the General Assembly of his intention to appoint Mendoza for a five-year



non-renewable term following consultations with heads of regional groups.

Mendoza chairs COA's audit committee on public sector auditing standards board and also serves as external auditor for the Food and Agriculture Organization, World Health Organization and International

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### Carpio in Big Apple; delivers lecture on South China Sea



Senior Associate Justice Antonio T. Carpio (inset) of the Supreme Court of the Philippines delivers his special lecture on The South China Sea, The View From the Philippines. Venue was at the Philippine Center's Kalayaan Hall in New York on Oct. 6. See story on page 8. (Filipino Reporter photos by Manny Caballero)

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