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Aquino frees two communist leaders

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MANILA, Philippines — President Corazon Aquino freed two former communist rebel leaders Wednesday despite reservations from the military, and paid her first visit to the palace in which Ferdinand E. Marcos lived for 20 years.

Meanwhile, attorney Lupino Lazro said two men cleared in the 1983 murder of Aquino's husband, Benigno, had given sworn statements admitting involvement and implicating the former president, his wife Imelda and four former Cabinet ministers.

Gen. Fabian C. Ver, Marcos' military commander, was among the 26 people acquitted.

"I'm sorry for the delay," Aquino old Jose Maria Sison and Bernabe Buscayno when they were ushered into her temporary office less than an hour after being freed from military prisons.

Two alleged members of a rebel assassination squad also were released.

Aquino had pledged to free all political prisoners held by Marcos, who fled the country a week ago, and the four were the last on the list.

Most of the prisoners have not yet gone home because of required medical checkups and paper work.

Presidential spokesman Rene Saguisag said the four men were released after a "candid, cordial and vigorous exchange of views" with military commanders, worried that they would take up arms again.

U.S. gives list of money Marcos took

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WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration said Wednesday it was providing the Philippine government "in a spirit of cooperation" with an inventory of 22 crates of pesos flown out of Manila with former President Ferdinand Marcos last week.

The currency could be worth more than \$1 million, according to some estimates. Other Marcos holdings, including jewels and documents, were contained in an

additional 278 crates also removed from the country on U.S. Air Force cargo planes after he resigned under pressure.

The Central Bank of the Philippines requested an accounting through the U.S. District Court in Honolulu. Marcos and his wife, Imelda, have taken refuge in Hawaii while they consider President Reagan's offer of safe haven and medical care.

The State Department has advised Philippine officials "we will

provide them with additional information" about the contents of the other crates, spokesman Bernard Kalb said.

Jovito R. Salonga, who heads a Philippine commission charged with recovering the Marcoses' wealth, has estimated the assets of the former president, his wife and their friends at \$5 billion to \$10 billion.

That total would represent several times the Philippine national budget for 1985 of \$3.1 billion.

Her top military advisers had argued the four men should not be freed unconditionally.

Sison acknowledged at a news conference a few hours after his release that he founded the Communist Party of the Philippines in 1968 and led the armed struggle against the Marcos government until his capture in November 1977.

He had refused throughout his imprisonment to answer questions about his party role.

Buscayno, who was captured in August 1976, was the alleged commander of the party's New People's Army guerrillas and was known as Commander Dante.

The two other men released were Alexander Birondo and Ruben Alegre.

Both were arrested within the past two years.

Cardinal Jaime L. Sin, archbishop of Manila, said in Rome that the estimated 12,500 insurgents might surrender this month because "there's no reason for them to stay in the mountains" with Marcos gone.

Sin, who led the nation's Roman Catholic bishops in support of Aquino, was on a visit to the Vatican.

Sison told journalists, however, that there is no certainty that the rebels will lay down their arms.

Saguisag said 517 political prisoners have been ordered released.

The military says it has no more such prisoners, but Saguisag said the government was checking reports by human rights organizations that up to 200 people listed as common criminals may be held for political reasons.

At the Malacanang presidential palace, Aquino waved from a window to people strolling on the park-like grounds and told officials accompanying her that the opulent, Spanish-style mansion "looks like a hotel."

More members of the Supreme Court offered resignations Wednesday, leaving only two or three of the tribunal's 13 justices resisting Mrs. Aquino's demand that they quit so she can reorganize the judiciary.

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