

The Government Moro Policy

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The Note is a discussion of the problem that the Philippines has with the Moros in Mindanao. As an introduction, the different interpretations of the Moro Problem of various writers and observers are cited.

After this, the Author enumerates the causes of the Moro Problem. These problems are: historical, economic, educational, social and political. He then categorizes and discusses the problems as springing from either of the three root causes: Moro character, Moro history and Moro religion.

The causes of the problems being already enumerated, the Author reviews the policies adapted to resolve the Moro Problem. The said policies are divided into three time periods: during the Spanish times, during the American time and at the advent of Philippine Independence.

Before concluding the Note, the Author gives the two ways in addressing the Moro Problem. First, that by way of compromise, a separate government be given to them. Second, that by way of compromise, they be fully integrated to the Filipinos. The Author suggests the second option and gives a number of measures that may be undertaken to make the Moros more integrated to the Filipino nation.