



(Left photo) Consul General Lourdes Tabamo gives her welcome remarks. (Right photo) Audience at the Auditorium di Milano for the concert.

30 June 2012 - As part of the Independence Day celebration and the 65th Anniversary of Philippines-Italy diplomatic relations, a successful concert was held on June 16 at the Auditorium di Milano that brought Filipino communities and Italian friends together to enjoy an evening of music and world-class Filipino performance.



The Philippine Consulate General in Milan's personnel: (From left) Ms. B. Repuyan, Ms. Lucille Gayaman, Ms. Dulce Garcia, Ms. Jejecristi Garcia, Consul Helen Anne Sayo and Ms. Virginia Briones

Consul General Lourdes S. Tabamo formally opened the evening to welcome the more than one thousand guests.

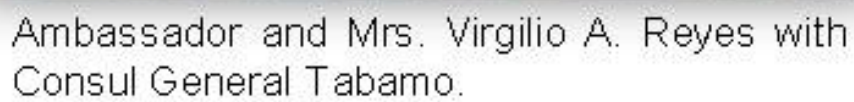
Philippine Ambassador to Italy Virgilio A Reyes and his wife, the Vice President of the Comune di Milano, members of the consular corps, media, academe and business sectors graced the event.

In her opening remarks, Consul General Tabamo highlighted the significant moment in 1947 when Philippines and Italy signed the Treaty of Friendship in Rome and how both countries have worked together towards stronger political, economic and social development.



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The featured Philippine artists - Dr. Raul Sunico (pianist), Professor Fredeline Parin with the Orchestra Sinfonica Giuseppe Verdi and the arranger, Mr. Andrea Brighi (right) after the performance.