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and the Netherlands and the Netherlands Indies, and on shifts in the subjects of Dutch scholarly research as well as popular interest. Access to the titles is facilitated by a geographical and subject index.

People's Agenda For Development and Democracy. Quezon City: Ateneo Center for Social Policy and Public Affairs, 1992.

The "People's Agenda for Development and Democracy" gathers together in one volume the recommendations of several years of consultation among POs and NGOs on issues ranging from peace and human rights to the rights of indigenous peoples. It was the primary objective of the "Agenda" Project to process these recommendations into programs and projects that can be realized and implemented within a specified period. These various, seemingly disparate, recommendations are formulated under a vision of development that transcends economic indicators and the models of the industrialized nations.

The basic materials included in the "Agenda" consist of the recommendations of the POs and the NGOs from many consultations conducted over the past decade. These included several sectoral consultations and multi-sectoral consultations, such as those of the National Peace Conference and the People's Caucus. While academicians and recognized authorities in development circles worked over the basic material, the "Agenda" was submitted for comment to over 80 different organizations from various parts of the nation. The present volume is a summary of all these consultations and recommendations.

The elements of these recommendations are united in one vision. The elements of this vision are Social Justice and Equity, Scientific and Technological Development, People's Participation and the Environment, Democratic and Effective Government, National Sovereignty and International Solidarity, Peace Based On Justice and Liberating Culture. The various recommendations of the "Agenda" are divided into short term immediate reforms to be implemented in the first six months of the new administration, medium term measures to be carried out in the first three years of the new administration and long term recommendations which are to be carried out in the second half of the term of the new administration. The "Agenda" makes an interesting point of measurement for the Ramos administration as it carries on its work. In the "Agenda" these elements are summarized under various headings—The Right to Sustainable Development, the Right to a Democratic and Effective Government, the Right to Sovereignty, and the Right to Responsible and Responsive Sociocultural Institutions. The book makes an interesting checklist to measure the progress of the present administration in struggling towards the fulfillment of the "vision" outlined in this volume by "The People's Agenda."