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"Indeed, this is a historic moment, and today we will see who among so-called peoples' representatives are indeed representing the rights and interests of the people, especially women. Despite the odds, we will show our relentless support for this important legislation, and we sincerely hope that majority of the legislators will say YES to the RH bill," added Ms. Miranda.

PM remains hopeful and at the same time ready to pursue the struggle if the majority of House representatives succumbs to the Catholic Church's unreasonable demand. "This historic day for women's reproductive rights will define whether we win or we continue to fight. Either way, we will fight until we achieve our goals."###

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