Notes from the Editors

As the world still grapples with the pandemic, the elusive new normal is still a long way ahead. However, even if the new strains of COVID-19 have continued to challenge the nation states, the world has started to restart its engines to reverse the impact of the pandemic. The Philippines, a nation heavily affected by the pandemic, has also started to push for political and economic revitalization. From being a country with the longest ‘lockdown’, it has started to re-open, and with the looming elections, the thrust for a better 2022 has become the main focus for most candidates and the people. This is the reason why the main issue now is not just moving forward but rather ensuring a better future. This ASSEMBLEA volume will continue the discourse on how to improve the fortunes of the country and its people. The articles submitted cover a whole range of topics that is relevant to this narrative.

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