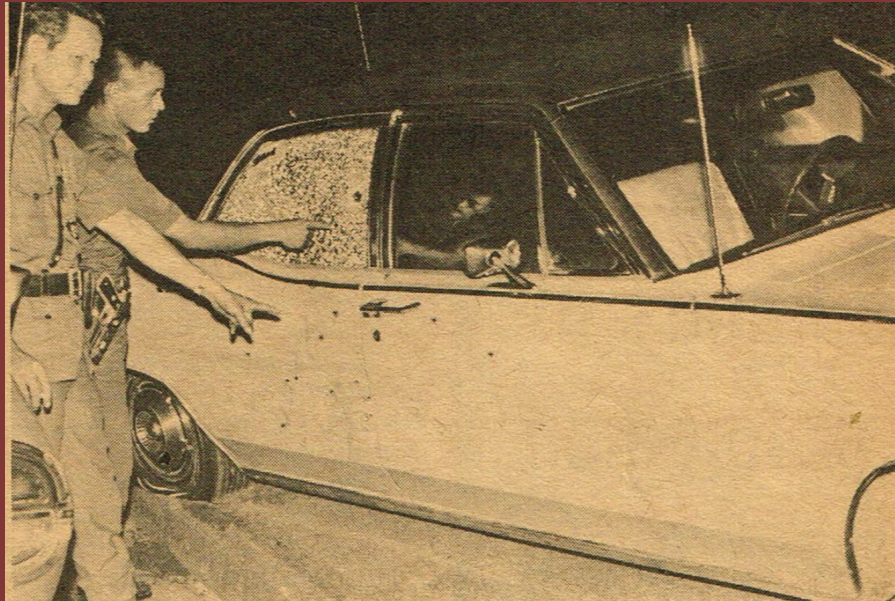


Ambush of Enrile

22 September 1972



On 22 September 1972, the car of Defense Minister Juan Ponce Enrile was allegedly attacked near Wack Wack subdivision in Mandaluyong. When Marcos declared Martial Law, he used this incident to demonstrate how the state of peace and order in the country were in dire straits. In 1976, it was revealed that the incident was staged and that Marcos had instructed Enrile to "Make it look good."

Ginamit ni Marcos Sr. ang pananambang kay Juan Ponce Enrile noong ika-22 ng Setyembre 1972 bilang patunay ng kawalan ng kaayusan at kaligtasang pambansa noong dekada sitenta, at sa gayon, lalong pagtibayin ang kanyang desisyon na ideklara ang batas militar. Apat na taon makalipas ang pananambang, binunyag na ito'y pagtatanghal lamang upang mabigyang katwiran ang deklarasyon ng batas militar.

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