

## In Memoriam

### LORETTA MAKASIAR SICAT

The Philippine Political Science Association (PPSA) lost a distinguished life time member in 2010 in the person of Professor Loretta Makasiar Sicat, PhD. She served as Chair of the Department of Political Science, College of Social Sciences and Philosophy, University of the Philippines Diliman (1971-72). Professor Sicat had been instrumental in "resuscitating" (to use her own words) PPSA in 1974 and served in various positions in the organization. She was Chair of the Board of Editors and Editor of the *Philippine Political Science Journal (PPSJ)* from 1974 to 1981 and a member of the PPSJ Board of Editors from 1981 to 1985. She was elected President of the PPSA from 1981 to 1985. She became Executive Director of the Philippine Social Science Council (PSSC) from 1977 to 1985 and played a key role in putting up the building which now houses the PSSC, which serves as the meeting place of the various Social Science Associations in the Philippines and the venue of their national conferences. She served as President of the Asian Social Science Research Councils (AASSREC), from 1979 to 1981. She was a member of the Board that drew up the basic framework for the establishment of the International Federation of Social Science Organizations (IFFSO), which is now based in Paris, France. Even after she retired from the Department of Political Science in 1998, she continued to teach as Professorial Lecturer.

Professor Sicat obtained her Bachelor of Arts (*cum laude*) and Master of Arts from the University of the Philippines-Diliman and her Doctor of Philosophy from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, U.S.A. Professor Sicat was mentor to many of the current members of PPSA.

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