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## FILIPINOS PLEAD FOR INDEPENDENCE

Formal Statement is Presented to President Harding by Parliamentary Mission.

Washington, D. C. — Establishment by the Filipinos of a stable government in the Philippines has fulfilled the only stipulation laid down by the United States government for granting independence to the islands. President Harding was told in a formal statement presented by the Philippine parliamentary mission.

The mission, representing all the principal political parties, was sent to Washington by the Philippine legislature to ask for complete and absolute independence of the Philippines.

The statement, read to Mr. Harding by Manuel L. Quezon, president of the Philippine senate, and twenty-seven other members of the mission, reviewed the situation of the Philippines and reiterated their aspiration for "national existence."

No American body or official, not even the Wood-Forbes mission, which was described as "unwarrantably severe and critical" in its report has denied the stability of the Filipino government, the mission declared.

"Philippine autonomy," the statement continued, "has also increased the agencies of social and political progress, such as schools, roads, public buildings, hospitals, etc."

Any danger of foreign aggression against the Philippines which may have been feared, the president was told, has been eliminated through the actions of the Washington conference.

## HARDING ASSERTS PARTY LEADERSHIP

Washington, D. C. — President Harding's leadership, asserted aggressively for the first time since he entered the White House, was an aid to the senate as a result of the situation.

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