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Duterte may suspend gov't work, classes on Sept. 21 via ABS-CBN News (http://news.abs-cbn.com/news/09/15/17/duterte-may-suspend-govt-work-classes-on-sept-21)

Upheld SPJ:
"Provide context. Take special care not to misrepresent or oversimplify in promoting, previewing or summarizing a story."
The author was able to emphasize that the intent of the President to declare the day as a holiday was so that the public will not be inconvenienced by the protests, which he will allow in public spaces as long as they are not armed and they do not inconvenience others.

Context about the breakdown of the peace talks between the government and National Democratic Front was given.

Dilemma/Violation of SPJ:
"Use original sources whenever possible"

It would have been better if the basis for the article had been a press conference, an interview, or a statement, rather than an interview conducted by another network, because then the organization publishing this article did not get a chance to clarify statements or ask follow-up questions.

"Provide context. Take special care not to misrepresent or oversimplify in promoting, previewing or summarizing a story."

The article only mentioned about how it was the 45th anniversary of the Marcos-era martial law and how various groups were set to mount protest actions that day. There was no context as to why certain groups would want to initiate protest actions, therefore not giving the audience the chance to judge whether it was reasonable or not.

"Take responsibility for the accuracy of their work."

The second to the last paragraph says "He earlier warned that he might declare marial law in the entire Philippines if the communist threat will grow.", but the author did not specify when the President said it. Was it a recent comment? Or was he still referring to the statement made during the time martial law was declared in Mindanao? The vagueness may prove to be problematic for readers.