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'GMA may still linger beyond...

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Obama to say, well if you can help us farther than that," Santiago said.
 But Obama had no response to that, she said, noting "in effect he (Obama) was non-committal."
 Santiago said Mrs. Arroyo was not bound by her statement and she will insist that it be interpreted in its context.
 The senator said she was not sure if that meant the Philippines was no longer important to the US or that America would not interfere in the coun-

try's elections.
 "Well, you know, I think she wanted to preempt President Obama in some indirect way. Do you have any plans? In my view I'm supposed to step down but she did not say I am supposed to leave public office," Santiago said.
 "So she can step down as president (but) she can still run for congresswoman and then run maybe for prime minister," Santiago said. (Philstar.com)

Immigrants fight to bring ...

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such as the Philippines, Mexico and China, relatives of US citizens and residents sometimes wait a decade or two for a family-sponsored green card because of country-based immigration quotas.
 Santos is one of several immigrants across the country suing the federal government to try to get their adult children into the country without another lengthy wait.
 Immigration attorneys say a 2002 law aimed at preventing children from "aging out" due to lengthy processing means these grown children should be

allowed into the country soon after their parents file new paperwork on their behalf.
 But the government argues that many of those who got too old during the wait are now new applicants and must start from the beginning.
 "They want them to go from the front of the line, where they almost made it, and go to the back of some other line that may be 10 to 20 years away," said Carl Shusterman, an attorney representing immigrants in one of the lawsuits. "It is like double jeopardy." (AP)



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