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Note on PAOLO JAVIER O Book 2005

Perma-war, reading Javier: "Big language not the way to see Paolo". Grids
"all gaping" — braille cayenne metastasizing in extremis, "cannily page unreal" distancing
any autonomy, "auras persecuted" notching trouble "blink blink minutiae" "involuntarily
colloquial". If *English Is An Occupation*, "let's "cure the demure, bilang ko"; enjoy temp
"mass dual citizenship", "forgered community" moebius barcodes or "countermigration"
miscegenation. "Aliases stand innuendo" to "access our own zombies". "I lend you my voice
for a tryst" — assuming an alter ego or to give the colonizers' M.O. a comeuppance. "I rode
above allegory Tryteaser internment". "Dumb down the noisy hatred unduly angst justice
on the lam war foretells inferno". *"Mobile phone us!"*