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RESOLUTION NO. 138

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT TO THE 2012
FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON THE BANGSAMORO
WITH THE MORO ISLAMIC LIBERATION FRONT
(MILF) AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION, INCLUDING
THE CREATION OF THE BANGSAMORO
TRANSITION COMMISSION THROUGH EXECUTIVE
ORDER 120

WHEREAS, the armed conflict in certain areas in
Mindanao that is rooted on assertions of identity and self-
governance has significantly affected the quality of lives of
people in the region;

WHEREAS, the present Autonomous Region in Muslim
Mindanao (ARMM) has failed to sufficiently address the

demands for effective governance and responsible administration;

WHEREAS, a framework for peace is crucial in the attainment of normalized conditions of life in the region;

WHEREAS, the Government of the Republic of the Philippines (GPH) has engaged the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) in peace negotiations where they are both committed to provide long-lasting solutions that will establish and sustain a just and working autonomy for the Bangsamoro people;

WHEREAS, the GPH and the MILF recently signed the 2012 Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro (FAB);

WHEREAS, the FAB provides for the creation of a new political entity called the Bangsamoro, through a Bangsamoro Basic Law (BBL), to replace the ARMM;

WHEREAS, the FAB also provides for the empowerment of the Bangsamoro people by creating the space for their meaningful participation in the process of enacting the BBL through the creation of the Transition Commission (TC);

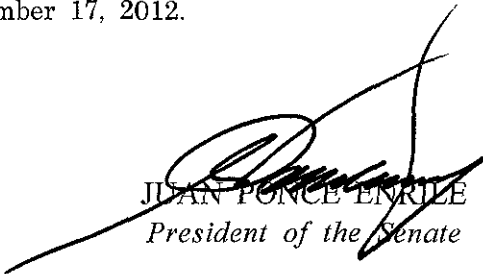
WHEREAS, the signing of the FAB has inspired optimism and hope that a just framework for peace in the Muslim Mindanao region through a partnership with the Bangsamoro has been achieved;

WHEREAS, the GPH and MILF Peace Negotiating Panels have agreed to continue their negotiations for the annexes to the FAB;

WHEREAS, partnership and mutual recognition among our peoples are crucial in the process of nation building by providing spaces for our diverse cultures and traditions under one sovereign Philippine Republic: Now, therefore, be it


Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, That the Senate expresses its support to the 2012 Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro with the Moro Islamic Liberation Front and its implementation, including the creation of the Bangsamoro Transition Commission as provided in Executive Order 120, signed on December 17, 2012.

Adopted,



JUAN PONCE ENRILE
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on December 19, 2012.



EMMA LIRIO-REYES
Secretary of the Senate