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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY,  
IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE 2014 COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT THE  
PHILIPPINE INSTITUTE OF VOLCANOLOGY AND SEISMOLOGY HAS FAILED TO  
IMPLEMENT THE DYNASLOPE PROJECT

1 WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 28 states: "Subject to reasonable  
2 conditions prescribed by law, the State adopts and implements a policy of full public disclosure  
3 of all its transactions involving public interest";

4 WHEREAS, in the 2014 Commission on Audit (COA) report on the Philippine Institute  
5 of Volcanology and Seismology (PHIVOLCS), COA noted that the objective of the agency's  
6 DYNASLOPE project with a total project cost of ₱81,332,496 was not fully attained;

7 WHEREAS, DYNASLOPE seeks to enhance the existing system for forecasting deep-  
8 seated landslides by deploying the system in 50 sites across the Philippines;

9 WHEREAS, the COA noted considerable delays in the implementation of the project  
10 brought about by: (a) non-systematic and no standardized identification of deployment sites, and  
11 (b) delays in the manufacture and delivery of sensors/data loggers;

12 WHEREAS, state auditors claimed that the original timeline of the project was for two  
13 years;

14 WHEREAS, as of 31 December 2014, the Planning Division submitted a 15 percent  
15 accomplishment, while COA computed an overall physical accomplishment of 20.47 percent;

16 WHEREAS, the COA further claimed that the failure to finish the project was despite a  
17 total expenditure of ₱37,606,009.59 equivalent to 54.99 percent of the total funds allotted for the  
18 project as of the end of 2014.

19 WHEREAS, an ocular inspection of the project deployment site at Nagyubyuban, San  
20 Fernando, La Union, showed that while sensors were already installed in two sites, it lacked the  
21 necessary data logger software to be provided by the SENSLOPE project, which will enable the


1 sensor to communicate with the PHIVOLCS computers, thus defeating the objective on real time  
2 data analysis and monitoring;

3 WHEREAS, the poor management of PHIVOLCS of the DYNASLOPE project has  
4 resulted in expenditures that do not translate to the intended result of the project;

5 WHEREAS, the State should ensure that no further waste should be incurred by holding  
6 PHIVOLCS and all other agencies accountable for the full execution of the projects for which  
7 public funds are disbursed;

8 WHEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate directing the proper  
9 Senate Committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the 2014 Commission on Audit  
10 Report that the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology has failed to implement the  
11 DYNASLOPE Project.

Adopted,

  
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