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## RESOLUTION

## STRONGLY URGING THE RESUMPTION OF THE DEPLOYMENT OF OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS IN SELECTED AREAS IN IRAQ PARTICULARLY IN U.S. MILITARY BASES LOCATED THEREIN

WHEREAS, the present administration imposed a total ban on the deployment of overseas Filipino workers to Iraq;

WHEREAS, Ambassador Roy Cimatu, after conducting a personal inspection of the two (2) American Bases, namely Camps Anaconda and Victory in Iraq, issued a favorable recommendation as regards the security of workers assigned to said US Bases;

WHEREAS, due to the continued ban on the deployment of our Filipino brothers for posting overseas, jobs that would otherwise have been filled up by qualified Filipino workers have instead been given to nationals of other countries;

WHEREAS, families of overseas Filipino workers in the country are now faced with economic dislocation, hunger and desperation because of the continued ban on deployment;

WHEREAS, there is no danger to our Filipino workers who will be assigned in the two (2) US Bases taking into consideration the favorable assessment of Ambassador Cimatu, the presence of numerous Filipinos working in Iraq who attest to the safe working conditions in Camps Anaconda and Victory and the clamor of recruitment agencies;

WHEREAS, there is an immediate need to address this situation with the end in view of assisting our hardworking overseas Filipino workers earn a living abroad: Now therefore **BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, to recommend the lifting of the ban and the immediate resumption of the deployment of overseas Filipino workers to selected areas in Iraq, particularly in the two (2) US Bases namely Camps Anaconda and Victory, located therein.

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**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this Resolution be given to the Office of the President, the Department of Foreign Affairs and the Department of Labor and Employment.

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