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## RESOLUTION

URGING THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE ALLEGED ANOMALOUS PROCUREMENT OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) OF 30-ROUND PLASTIC MAGAZINES AND VINTAGE AMMUNITION FOR THE 105 MM. HOWITZER THAT ARE DEFECTIVE AND UNRELIABLE WHICH PREJUDICE AND ENDANGER THE LIVES OF THE ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES

WHEREAS, there have been media reports stating that the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) have been procuring defective supplies for the use of enlisted personnel in the performance of their duties to defend and assure the internal security of the country against various kinds of threats;

WHEREAS, among the defective supplies acquired by the AFP are plastic 30-round magazines for M-16 rifles that get brittle after being exposed for a long time to the elements and crack when dropped to the ground with the rifle causing the rifle to jam due to the fact that the magazine failed to feed a round into the gun's chamber;

WHEREAS, there have been complaints against the anomalous bidding and awarding for the procurement of defense ordnance, at this instance, vintage (Year 2000) 105 MM HOW H.E. cartridges to be delivered in 120 days in direct contravention of existing AFP policy to buy only fresh ammunition;

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the plastic magazines were purchased for about Php 30 million, while the vintage ammunition (Year 2000) for the 105 MM. Howitzer were bought at Php 18,564.00 per unit more than Php 5,000 compared to fresh ammunition for the same weapon costing at Php 13,207.05 per unit;

WHEREAS, there is a need to conduct an in-depth investigation into these procurement anomalies that put the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), as an institution, in a bad light and gives further credence to the pervasive corruption that is consuming the said institution considered as vital by many of our countrymen. Now, therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, To Urge The Committee On National Defense And Security To Conduct An Investigation, In Aid Of Legislation, Into The



Alleged Anomalous Procurement Of The Armed Forces Of The Philippines (AFP) Of 30-Round Plastic Magazines And Vintage Ammunition For The 105 MM, Howitzer That Are Defective And Unreliable Which Prejudice And Endanger The Lives Of The Enlisted Personnel Of The Armed Forces

Adopted,

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