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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE ALLEGED PHILIPPINE DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY (PDEA) PRACTICE OF PAYING THIRTY PERCENT OF CONFISCATED DRUGS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSETS OR INFORMANTS FOR SUCCESSFUL SEIZURES

1 WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9165, also known as The Comprehensive
2 Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002 bolsters the role of the Philippine Drug Enforcement
3 System. It also redefines the Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB) as a policy and strategy-
4 formulating body by creating the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) as the
5 leading agency amongst all other enforcement agencies in the fight against illegal
6 drugs;¹

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8 WHEREAS, as an implementing arms of the DDB, among its mandate is to
9 exercise operational supervision over drug enforcement units of other law
10 enforcement agencies and to coordinate the participation of other sectors in the
11 national anti-drug campaign;

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13 WHEREAS, in 2021, PDEA reported that 1,673 out of 2,155 drug related high
14 value target personalities were arrested; conducted 619 high impact operations; and

¹ 2021 Annual Audit Report on the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency

1 885 out of 1,549 total drug-related information and reports acted upon resulted to
2 anti-drug operations;

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4 WHEREAS, PDEA has an annual confidential fund allocation used for the
5 payment of rewards to encourage the public to report to authorities the illegal drug
6 activities in their communities;

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8 WHEREAS, during the House of Representatives Committee on Dangerous
9 Drugs public hearing, it was revealed by PDEA Director General Moro Virgilio M. Lazo
10 that allegedly there is a new modus wherein instead of paying cash reward, PDEA
11 gives their informants or assets 30% of the total seized illegal drugs which is clearly
12 an illegal practice;

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14 WHEREAS, this alleged new policy of PDEA is disturbing as this perpetuates the
15 circulation of illegal drugs in the streets by the government agency that is tasked to
16 fight against illegal drugs;

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18 WHEREAS, to continue our relentless fight against illegal drugs, there is a need
19 to ensure that such fight must be imbued with integrity and honor, without
20 compromising the values that our institutions and agencies stand for;

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22 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved, To direct the Senate
23 Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs to conduct an inquiry, in aid of
24 legislation on the alleged PDEA practice of paying thirty percent (30%) of confiscated
25 drugs to law enforcement assets or informants for successful seizures.

Adopted,


RONALD "BATO" DELA ROSA