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**FOR:** Hon. Francis "Chiz" G. Escudero  
*Chairperson, Committee on Finance*

**FROM:** Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay *M. Binay*

**RE:** Priority Development Assistance Fund (PDAF)

**DATE:** November 5, 2013

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Considering the public's perception on the use of the PDAF and other lump sum items in the national budget coupled with the fact that PDAF's validity is under judicial inquiry, it is my view that it is of paramount necessity for the Senate to take action on the issue of its continued inclusion in the appropriations law. I therefore convey my intent to have the proposed Two Hundred Million Pesos (P200,000,000.00) allocation for my office removed and the full amount deducted from the national budget for 2014.

I also urge my colleagues in the Senate to withdraw the proposed Twenty-five Billion Two Hundred Forty Million Pesos (P25,240,000,000.00) allocation for PDAF from the national budget for 2014 as well as call on the removal of the lump sum allocations of other government agencies in the national budget. This signifies the Senate's firm commitment to its important duty of enacting a national budget based on transparency and accountability.

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