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## SIXTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES Second Regular Session

## SENATE P. S. R. No. **1189**

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 WARNING ISSUED BY THE PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION (POEA) AGAINST FAKE ONLINE JOB OFFERS IN JAPAN

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 18 provides: "The State affirms labor as a primary social economic force. It shall protect the rights of workers and promote their welfare";

WHEREAS, the *Manila Bulletin* reported on 8 February 2015 that the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) warned aspiring overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) against a new bogus online job offer in Japan;

WHEREAS, the news said POEA was referring to job placement advertisements circulated on social networking site Facebook supposedly from the Japan International Training Cooperation Organization (JITCO);

WHEREAS, the Facebook post allegedly said JITCO is offering employment opportunities for nurses, caregivers, welders, and other jobs related to construction, food manufacturing, textile, machinery and metal, agriculture, and fishery;

WHEREAS, JITCO claims to be a Japanese government agency which facilitates the training of migrant workers before they are allowed to work in Japan;

WHEREAS, the *Manila Bulletin* quoted Cacda as saying that there is no such recruitment for Japan, adding that the advertisement has no contact number or any indication it has been authorized by the POEA;

WHEREAS; it is the duty of government to protect workers from exploitation;

WHEREAS; Congress, through relevant legislation, must create measures and increase public awareness to address the proliferation of fake online job offers;

WHEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE PHILIPPINE SENATE to direct the proper Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the warning issued by the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) against fake online job offers in Japan.

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