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**CALL TO ORDER**

At 3:40 p.m., the Senate President, Hon. Aquilino "Koko" Pimentel III, called the session to order.

**PRAYER**

Sen. Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay led the prayer, to wit:

Dear Father in heaven,

Differences in ideology, religion and politics have brought misunderstandings and differences to us Filipinos, as a people and as a nation.

As elected leaders of the country, we too are not spared of these and we seek Your divine grace for enlightenment so that we can understand and be united as we work together for the betterment of our country and people.

We also pray that these trials will not be a hindrance as we work to pass important pieces of legislation.

We pray for peace and harmony in our hearts, so we Filipinos can work together as a nation bound by common goals and aspirations.

*Basbasan po Ninyo kami, Panginoon, ng mapagpatawad na puso at isipan dahil nasa kapatawaran nagmumula ang tunay na pagkakaisa.*

*Patnubayan Mo po kami, Panginoon, at dalangin namin na ilayo Ninyo kami at ang aming bayan sa anumang kapahamakan.*

*Ang lahat ng ito ay idinadalangin namin sa Inyo, Panginoon.*

*Siya nawa.*

**ROLL CALL**

Upon direction of the Senate President, the Secretary of the Senate, Atty. Lutgardo B. Barbo, called the roll, to which the following senators responded:

Angara, S.	Legarda, L.
Aquino, P. B. IV B.	Pacquiao, E. M. D.
Binay, M. L. N. S.	Pangilinan, F. N.
De Lima, L. M.	Pimentel III, A. K.
Drilon, F. M.	Poe, G.
Ejercito, J. V. G.	Recto, R. G.
Escudero, F. J. G.	Sotto III, V. C.
Gatchalian, W.	Trillanes IV, A. F.
Gordon, R. J.	Villanueva, E. J.
Honasan, G. B.	Villar, C. A.
Hontiveros, R.	Zubiri, J. M. F.
Lacson, P. M.	

With 23 senators present, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

Senator Cayetano arrived after the roll call.



## APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the Journal of Session No. 25 (September 26, 2016) and considered it approved.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE PRESENCE OF GUESTS

At this juncture, Senator Sotto acknowledged the presence in the gallery of the following guests:

- Students and delegates of the 2016 Philippines-Korea Bilateral Youth Exchange Program in cooperation with the National Youth Commission;
- Students of U.P. Los Baños College of Forestry and Natural Resources headed by Dr. Juan M. Pulhin;
- Vice Mayor Roberto A. Loquiente and councilors of the Municipality of Anahawan, Southern Leyte;
- Law students from the Philippine Law School in Pasay City, led by class leaders Mathea Tablizo and Eva Rose Villareal and their professor, Atty. Jose Marcos Babia;
- Graham Osborne and Peter Tsiamalili Jr., chairman and CEO of the Papua New Guinea Sports Foundation, respectively;
- Olympian boxer Thadius Katua;
- Johnny and Liza Elorde, children of Flash Elorde;
- Ms. Ian “Yan-yan” Lariba, the first-ever Filipino table tennis Olympian;
- Mr. Ting Chua Ledesma, president of the Philippine Table Tennis Federation (PTTF), Inc. with coach Kwon Mi-sook and treasurer Maria Teresa Deniega;
- MMA Fighter Jenel “The Demolition Man” Lausa;
- Jose Antonio Lopez;
- James White, Mahindra’s rookie import in the PBA; and
- Magtangol Jose Carait, board member of the First District of Laguna.

Senate President Pimentel welcomed the guests to the Senate.

## REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Secretary of the Senate read the following matters and the Chair made the corresponding referrals:

### BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 1170, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING ALL FORMS OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT AND ALL OTHER FORMS OF HUMILIATING OR DEGRADING PUNISHMENT OF CHILDREN AND PROMOTING POSITIVE AND NON-VIOLENT DISCIPLINE OF CHILDREN, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

**To the Committees on Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1171, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE COMPENSATION TO FARMERS WHO SUFFER FROM RECURRENT DISASTERS AND CALAMITIES, TO SUSTAIN AGRICULTURAL CREDIT AND FINANCING, AND TO ENSURE FOOD SECURITY, BY MAKING INSURANCE MANDATORY FOR PALAY AND OTHER ESSENTIAL CROPS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 4 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1467, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8175, OR THE “REVISED CHARTER OF THE PHILIPPINE CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION (PCIC) ACT OF 1995,” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Pangilinan

**To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Government Corporations and Public Enterprises**

**RESOLUTIONS**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 163, entitled

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING THE FMD EXTREME FOR BRINGING GLORY AND HONOR TO THE PHILIPPINES BY WINNING FIRST PLACE IN THE OPEN CREW DIVISION DURING THE WORLD SUPREMACY BATTLE-GROUNDS

Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva

**To the Committee on Rules**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 165, entitled

RESOLUTION REGULATING THE USE, INTEGRATION INTO THE RECORDS OF THE SENATE AND PROPER ARCHIVAL OF FILM, VIDEO CLIPS, MULTIMEDIA OR SIMILAR DEVICES USED BY ANY SENATOR TO WHOM THE FLOOR HAS BEEN ASSIGNED BY THE CHAIR IN PLENARY SESSION

Introduced by Senator Sotto III

**To the Committee on Rules**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 166, entitled

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING DONNIE NIETES, MARK MAGSAYO AND ARTHUR VILLANUEVA FOR WINNING IN THE PINOY PRIDE 38 HELD ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2016 AT THE STUBHUB CENTER IN CARSON, CALIFORNIA

Introduced by Senator Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao

**To the Committee on Rules**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 167, entitled

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING PERLAS

PILIPINAS FOR WINNING GOLD IN THE 2016 SEABA WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP IN MALACCA CITY IN MALAYSIA

Introduced by Senator Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao

**To the Committee on Rules**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 168, entitled

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON DRUG EDUCATION AND PREVENTION STRATEGIES IN SCHOOLS AND ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEMS, WITH THE END VIEW OF SECURING THE HEALTH, WELL-BEING AND FUTURE OF THE FILIPINO YOUTH

Introduced by Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam" Aquino IV

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Public Order and Dangerous Drugs**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 169, entitled

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

Introduced by Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam" Aquino IV

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Health and Demography**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 170, entitled

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE

UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES  
MADRIGAL SINGERS FOR WINNING  
THE GRAND PRIZE AND MULTIPLE  
AWARDS IN VARIOUS CATEGORIES  
OF THE 64<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL POLY-  
PHONIC COMPETITION GUIDO D'  
AREZZO HELD LAST AUGUST 24-  
28, 2016, IN AREZZO, ITALY

Introduced by Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam"  
Aquino IV

**To the Committee on Rules**

**OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS**

Upon nomination by Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the following senators were elected to represent the Senate in the joint congressional oversight committees hereunder indicated:

*Congressional Oversight*

*Committee on Dangerous Drugs*

*Chairperson* : Lacson

*Members* :

Sotto	Binay
Honasan	Trillanes
Pacquiao	Escudero

*Joint Oversight Committee  
on Human Security Act*

*Chairperson* : Lacson

*Members* :

Honasan	Escudero
Villanueva	Trillanes
Poe	

*Joint Congressional Oversight  
Committee on the K-12 Program*

*Chairperson* : Aquino

*Vice Chairperson* : Legarda

*Members* :

Hontiveros	Recto
Escudero	

**CHANGE OF REFERRAL**

Upon the request of Senator Recto and in consultation with the concerned committee chairs,

upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body approved the change of the primary referral of Senate Bill No. 807 (increasing to P3,000 the monthly Personnel Economic Relief Allowance – PERA) from the Committee on Finance to the Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation, with the Committee on Finance to remain as the secondary committee.

He agreed with Senator Recto that the measure involves the grant of benefits and allowances to government employees and officials which is within the domain of the Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation.

**OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

Upon nomination by Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the following senators were elected to represent the Senate in the Congressional Oversight Committee on Agrarian Reform:

*Chairperson* : Cayetano

*Members* :

Villar	Recto
Villanueva	

**CHANGE OF COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

At the instance of Senator Gatchalian, upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, Senator Cayetano was elected member of the Joint Congressional Power Commission to replace Senator Angara.

**OMNIBUS MOTION  
TO CHANGE THE REFERRALS  
OF SENATE BILL NOS. 837, 858 AND 862**

At the instance of Senator Recto and after conferring with the concerned committee chairs, upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body approved the change of the primary referral of the following Senate bills to the Committee on Economic Affairs, with the Committee on Finance to remain as the secondary committee, to wit:

1. Senate Bill No. 837 - An Act Mandating the Secretary of the Department of Finance and the Governor of the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas* to appear before Congress Semi-Annually to Report on the Status and Directions of the Fiscal and Monetary Policies of the State;

2. Senate Bill No. 858 - An Act Setting a Ceiling to the Indebtedness of the Republic of the Philippines to Ensure Macro-Economic Stability and Sustainable Growth and for other Purposes; and
3. Senate Bill No. 862 - An Act Mandating the Annual Public Disclosure of All Contingent Liabilities Incurred by All National Government Agencies, Local Government Units, Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations, Government Financial Institutions, and other Government Instrumentalities.


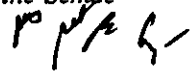
He stated that the bills involve economic planning and programming as well as managing of foreign and domestic indebtedness of the government, thus putting them within the domain of the Committee on Economic Affairs.

**ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of the following day.

*It was 3:57 p.m.*

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

  
**ATTY. LUTGARDO B. BARBO**  
*Secretary of the Senate*  


Approved on September 28, 2016