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Introduced by Senator Rodolfo G. Biazon

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES' (AFP) PROCUREMENT AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Whereas, the allegations on unexplained wealth against Major General Carlos Garcia, former comptroller of the AFP, has put the credibility of the AFP as an entire institution in question;

Whereas, ongoing investigations by the House of Representatives, the Office of the Ombudsman and by the AFP itself, tend to indicate deficiencies in the procurement system and misuse of appropriated funds in the AFP;

Whereas, as a case in point, during one of the hearings in the House of Representatives, it was revealed that medicines procured by the AFP were overpriced and media reports reveal that some of these were also expired;

Whereas, General Efren Abu, the newly designated Chief of Staff of the AFP, recently came out with a statement that he was dissolving the Office of the Comptroller;

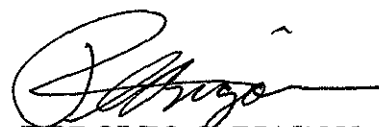
Whereas, A question that begs to be asked on the statement of General Abu is what would be its replacement when it is removed as part of the AFP's fiscal management system;

Whereas, There is therefore a need to assess and review the following in the AFP's procurement and financial management systems:

1. the allocation and disposition of Centrally Managed Funds;
2. issue on conversion; and
3. expenditure of Agency Reserves.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, As It Is Hereby Resolved, By The Senate, To Direct The Senate Committee On National Defense And Security To Conduct An Inquiry, In Aid Of Legislation, On The Armed Forces Of The Philippines' (AFP) Procurement And Fiscal Management Systems.

Adopted,


RODOLFO G. BIAZON
Senator