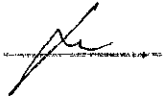


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## RESOLUTION

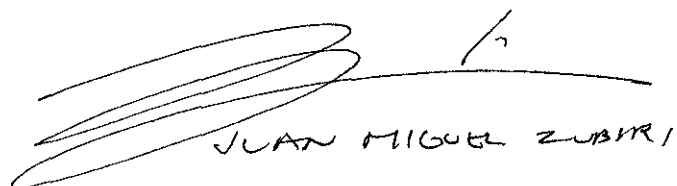
**DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO ALL MILK PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS CONTAINING MELAMINE IN THE PHILIPPINES, CREATE A COMPOSITE TEAM COMPRISED OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (DTI), BUREAU OF FOOD AND DRUGS (BFAD), AND DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (DA) TO CONDUCT RANDOM INSPECTION AND EXAMINATION OF ALL MILK PRODUCTS AND BY-PRODUCTS CONTAINING MELAMINE, AND IN THE MEANTIME, DIRECT THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH TO IMMEDIATELY BAN THE SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND CONSUMPTION OF ALL SAID PRODUCTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.**

- WHEREAS,** There have been reported 5 infant deaths in China; 160 babies from China suffering from acute kidney failure accompanied by other complications; and 52,857 children hospitalized, most of whom have recovered, 12,892 of which were still in the hospital -- all linked to the melamine-tainted milk in China.
- WHEREAS,** China's three (3) biggest dairy producers by market value -- Inner Mongolia Yili Industrial Group Co., China Mengniu Dairy Co. and Bright Dairy & Food Co. -- are among the companies whose products contain melamine, according to the government. At least 19 other Chinese producers have been found to have used melamine.
- WHEREAS,** Other melamine-contaminated products reported by Agri-food and Veterinary Authority (AVA) include: milk, ice cream, yoghurt, confectionery such as chocolates, biscuits and sweets, as well as any other products containing milk from China as an ingredient.
- WHEREAS,** Singaporean authorities also reported that new laboratory findings showed *White Rabbit Creamy Candy* from China, a candy commonly consumed by Filipinos, is also contaminated with melamine.
- WHEREAS,** Countries such as Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, Burma, Bangladesh, Hong Kong and Brunei in Asia; and Burundi, Gabon and Tanzania in Africa, have banned Chinese dairy products or at least have taken action to curb its consumption.

**WHEREAS,** China's Mengniu Dairy Group Co. and Yili Industrial Group Co. - two of three companies found to have melamine in their milk products - have reached the Philippines.

**NOW BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** to direct the appropriate Senate committees to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into all milk products and by-products containing melamine in the Philippines, create a composite team comprised of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Bureau of Food and Drugs (BFAD), and Department of Agriculture (DA) to conduct random inspection and examination of all milk products and by-products containing melamine, and in the meantime, direct the Secretary of Health to immediately ban the sale, distribution and consumption of all said products throughout the country.

**Adopted.**

  
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