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Resolution No. 192

RESOLUTION CREATING A SELECT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE AND CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS, PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, the 2009 proposed President's budget identified approximately Php1.337 Billion for intelligence and confidential funds, programs and activities of the government, such as but not limited to those relating to national security, intelligence and counterintelligence activities;

WHEREAS, the intelligence and confidential funds are not subject to the regular auditing requirements of the Commission on Audit, thus, opening the floodgates to the misuse and abuse in the utilization of these funds;

WHEREAS, during the Tenth Congress, a Senate Select Oversight Committee on Intelligence and Confidential Funds, Programs and Activities (the "Select Oversight Committee"), was created on 12 August 1997 and was subsequently reconstituted in the Eleventh Congress and the Twelfth Congress; WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute the Select Oversight Committee in the Fourteenth Congress to continue exercising its oversight functions over the use, disbursement and expenditure of intelligence and confidential funds granted to numerous government agencies, particularly in the wake of controversies involving former Philippine National Police comptroller Eliseo Dela Paz, who was caught by Russian authorities with Php7 million worth of Euro dollars he allegedly drawn from Police Intelligence Funds;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute the Select Oversight Committee to enable the Senate to investigate the efficiency of such relevant institutions in the prevention of crimes and apprehension of criminals in aid of legislation, and to assure that the appropriate departments and agencies provide informed and timely intelligence on public order and national security;

WHEREAS, Section 14, Rule X of the Rules of the Senate provides that "Whenever necessary, special committees shall be organized, the membership and jurisdiction of which shall be determined by the Senate President.": Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, To create a Select Oversight Committee on Intelligence and Confidential Funds, Programs and Activities.

Adopted,

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This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on August 17, 2009.

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Adopted,

RODOLFO G. BIAZON

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