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Introduced by **SEN. GREGORIO B. HONASAN II**

RESOLUTION

CREATING A SELECT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE AND CONFIDENTIAL FUNDS

WHEREAS, during the Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Sixteenth Congresses, a Senate Select Oversight Committee on Intelligence and Confidential Funds, Programs and Activities (the "Select Oversight Committee"), was created on 12 August 1997, 20 October 1998, 02 October 2001, 26 January 2005, 17 August 2009, 24 August 2010, and 21 January 2014, respectively;

WHEREAS, in light of the recent threats to our country's national security, including disturbance to peace and order by lawless elements, the importance of gathering intelligence information by concerned government agencies cannot be overstated;

WHEREAS, further, the intelligence and confidential funds are not subject to the regular auditing rules and procedures of the Commission on Audit;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute the Select Oversight Committee on Intelligence and Confidential Funds to enable the Senate to oversee the efficiency of concerned government institutions in the production of accurate and timely intelligence information to better deal with the threats to national security, including the maintenance of peace and order, thereby providing a safety environment and secure place of abode to the people;

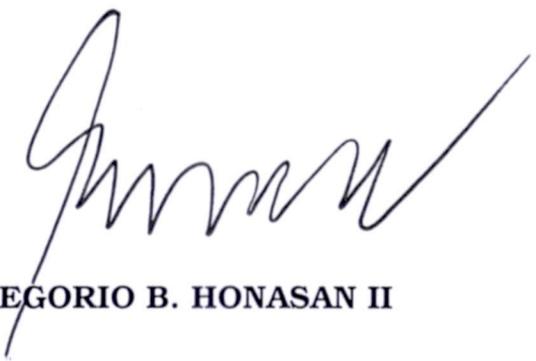
WHEREAS, in the 2017 General Appropriations Act, P5.48B is allocated for confidential and intelligence funds (CIF), to implement programs and activities of the government, relative to national defense, peace and order, and national security;

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the Senate to reactivate the Select Oversight Committee on Intelligence and Confidential Funds in the Seventeenth Congress to continue exercising its oversight functions over the use, disbursement and expenditures of confidential and intelligence funds granted to certain government agencies; and to provide vigilant legislative oversight over the conduct of aforesaid intelligence activities, sources, methods, and programs;

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 by the Senate, as it is hereby resolved, To create a Select Oversight Committee on Intelligence and Confidential funds.

Adopted,



GREGORIO B. HONASAN II