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RESOLUTION

**DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN
INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO INVESTIGATE THE
TELECOMMUNICATION FRAUD AND EXTORTION COMMITTED BY
CHINESE AND TAIWANESE SYNDICATE, OPERATING IN THE
PHILIPPINES AGAINST CHINESE NATIONALS**

WHEREAS, last January 13, 2018, the Anti-Cyber Crime Group of the Philippine National Police, in coordination with the Bureau of Immigration, arrested One Hundred Fifty One (151) Chinese and Taiwanese Nationals suspected to be involved in the telecommunication fraud committed against Chinese citizens.

WHEREAS, the modus operandi of these suspects is to pretend to be police officers, prosecutors and other law enforcement officers. They will call their victims to falsely inform them that they are suspected of crimes such as money laundering, causing panic and fear. Thereafter, they will induce their victims to transfer money to their accounts in the guise of guaranty bonds or to elicit from the victims their bank account details and passwords as part of the investigation of the money laundering case, allowing the suspects to access the money of their victims.

WHEREAS, with the coordination between the IT experts of the Criminal Investigation Department of the People's Republic of China, the PNP Anti-Cyber Crime Group and the Bureau of Immigration (BI), the group was able to track down the specific addresses in the National Capital Region and Ilocos Region, where these suspects are operating.

WHEREAS, the People's Republic of China (PRC) classified this matter a top priority concern of their Public Security Ministry. This cyber-crime had reached an alarming proportion with syndicates earning no less than One Hundred RMB or Fifteen Million US Dollars (USD 15,000,000.00), in just a few months.

WHEREAS, the CID of PRC estimated that approximately 70,000 to 80,000 Taiwanese Nationals are involved in this syndicate. Upon detection of the Police, many of these suspects flew to Southeast Asian countries, and many came to the Philippines.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, to investigate the telecommunication fraud and extortion committed by Chinese and Taiwanese syndicates, operating in the Philippines against Chinese nationals.

Adopted,


VICENTE C. SOTTO III