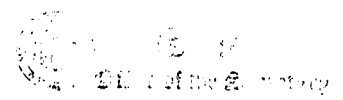
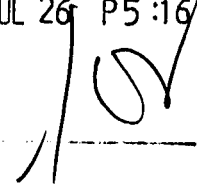


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Introduced by Senator Aquilino “Koko” Pimentel III

A RESOLUTION
DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO
CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO
THE PROCUREMENT OF MAHINDRA VEHICLES BY THE
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE

1 **WHEREAS**, in 2015, the Philippine National Police (PNP)
2 purchased 2,054 units of Mahindra Enforcer and Mahindra Scorpio
3 vehicles costing PhP1.893 billion;

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5 **WHEREAS**, the units were distributed to various National
6 Support Units, Police Regional Offices, Police Provincial Offices, and
7 Municipal Police Stations all over the Philippines;

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9 **WHEREAS**, the Commission on Audit (COA), in its 2017 Annual
10 Audit Report, flagged the PNP’s purchase after it found that at least 206
11 units were not being effectively utilized “due to frequent breakdowns,
12 poor after sales services and limited availability of spare parts,” which in
13 turn negatively affected “its vision of a more capable, effective and
14 credible police force”;

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1 **WHEREAS**, as part of its audit, the COA distributed survey
2 questionnaires nationwide and found that among the end-users of the
3 vehicles, 57.20% were unsatisfied with the overall performance of the
4 Mahindra vehicles, 26.84% were undecided, and only 15.96% were
5 satisfied;

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7 **WHEREAS**, the COA concluded that the foregoing took place
8 because the PNP purchased the vehicles “without the benefit of
9 operational needs assessment . . . coupled with the unsound changes in
10 [the National Police Commission’s] minimum standard specifications . .
11 . and the non-evaluation of actual performance of the initial 1,656
12 Mahindra vehicles bought before buying additional units”;

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14 **WHEREAS**, in connection with the purchase of the vehicles, the
15 PNP also incurred an additional PhP59.37 million in the form of service
16 fees paid to the Procurement Service of the Department of Budget and
17 Management (PS-DBM), which served as the PNP’s procurement agent;

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19 **WHEREAS**, the lapses during the PNP’s procurement planning
20 and the additional fees paid to the PS-DBM make it evident that a
21 review of the government’s procurement laws and processes is in order;

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23 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as it is hereby
24 resolved to direct the appropriate Senate Committee to conduct an
25 inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the procurement of Mahindra vehicles
26 by the PNP, with the end in view of making changes to our procurement
27 laws and processes, if found necessary.

Adopted,


AQUILINO “KOKO” PIMENTEL III