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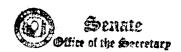
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## RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DEFECTIVE PATROL VEHICLES DELIVERED TO THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 28 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides the State adopts and implements a policy of full public disclosure of all its transactions involving public interest;

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Police (PNP) purchased 2,054 patrol vehicles worth P1.8 billion from the Columbian Autocar Corporation as part of the PNP's Capability Enhancement Program (CEP) in 2015;

WHEREAS, an article from ABS-CBN News Online, dated July 2, 2018, reported on the Commission on Audit (COA) findings that the purchased patrol vehicles were unfit for police operations;

WHEREAS, the article from ABS-CBN News further reported that the defective vehicles caused problems in areas where the PNP conducted its operations, particularly during the conflict in Marawi City;

WHEREAS, the 2017 PNP Consolidated Annual Audit Report by COA noted multiple problems with the procured vehicles such as high fuel consumption, difficulty in acceleration at higher speeds, tough maneuverability, low engine performance, heavy smoke emission, limited interior space, the absence of service centers, and lack of spare parts;

WHEREAS, the 2017 COA report further stated that the PNP purchased utility
trucks, light personnel carriers, and other combat assets worth P1.3 billion from the
Philippine International Trading Corporation (PITC) and is still obliged to pay the
PITC another P23 million from the "approved budget for the contract" and the
additional value-added tax in the delivery charge;

WHEREAS, COA urged the PNP to refund from the PITC the payment worth P1.3 billion and return the funds to the National Treasury;

WHEREAS, it is imperative to conduct an inquiry on the defective patrol vehicles delivered to the PNP to further aid the implementation of their mandate to enforce the law, prevent and control crimes, maintain peace and order, and ensure public safety and internal security;

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to direct the proper Senate Committees to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the defective patrol vehicles delivered to the Philippine National Police.

Adopted,

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Senator