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RESOLUTION No. 128

RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE
RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY BETWEEN
THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND
THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA ON MUTUAL
LEGAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS

WHEREAS, the Treaty Between the Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Korea on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters was signed on 3 June 2003 in Seoul, Korea;

WHEREAS, the Treaty aims to improve effectiveness in the prevention, prosecution, and suppression of crime through cooperation and mutual legal assistance between the Parties. It will complement global efforts to combat transnational crimes and promote the ends of justice;

WHEREAS, Article 24, paragraph 1, provides that the Treaty shall enter into force on the date of the last notification by which the Parties notify each other that their respective national requirements for the entry into force of the Treaty have been fulfilled;

WHEREAS, in the hearing conducted by the Committee on Foreign Relations on 8 May 2008, representatives from the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), Department of Justice (DOJ), National Bureau of Investigation (NBI), Directory for Intelligence of the Philippine National Police (PNP), and the Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP) endorsed the concurrence in the ratification of the Treaty;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution, Article 7, Section 21, "No treaty or international agreement shall be valid and effective unless concurred in by at least two-thirds of all the Members of the Senate": Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the Philippines concur, as it hereby concurs, in the ratification of the "Treaty Between the Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Korea on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters".

Adopted,



MANNY VILLAR
President of the Senate

This Resolution was adopted by the Senate on October 6, 2008.



EMMA LIRIO-REYES
Secretary of the Senate