# THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1992

# RESUMPTION OF THE SESSION

At 10:51 a.m., the session was resumed with the Honorable Neptali A. Gonzales, President of the Senate, presiding.

The President: The session is hereby resumed.

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, may I ask the Secretary to read the Additional Reference of Business.

The President: The Secretary is hereby directed to do so.

FOURTH ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

## **BILL ON FIRST READING**

The Secretary: Senate Bill No. 1010, entitled

AN ACT TO RECOGNIZE ALL FORMER MEMBERS OF THE HUKBALAHAP WHO RESISTED AND FOUGHT THE JAPANESE IN WORLD WAR II AS ELEMENTS OF THE UNDERGROUND FORCES IN THE PHILIPPINES TO AVAIL OF ALL BENEFITS APPLICABLE TO VETERANS OF SAID WAR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Introduced by Senator Aquino.

The President: Referred to the Committee on National Defense and Security.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Secretary: Committee Report No. 54, submitted by the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development on Senate Bill No. 142, introduced by Senators Herrera, Tatad, Angara, Ople, Romulo, Revilla, and Webb, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING FURTHER THE RIGHT OF ALL WORKERS TO SECURITY OF TENURE BY RESTRICTING FIXED PERIOD OR TERM OF EMPLOYMENT IN WORK ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE USUALLY NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE IN THE USUAL BUSINESS OR TRADE OF THE EMPLOYER, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ARTICLE 280 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442 AS AMENDED,

# OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES",

recommending its approval without amendment.

Sponsor: Senator Herrera

The President: To the Calendar for Ordinary Business.

The Secretary: Committee Report No. 55, submitted by the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development on Senate Bill No. 346, introduced by Senators Herrera, Tatad, Angara, Ople, Romulo, Revilla, and Webb, entitled

AN ACT CONFERRING JURISDICTION ON THE PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION (POEA) TO AWARD DAMAGES, AMENDING THEREBY SECTION 3 (D), EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 247 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,

recommending its approval without amendment.

Sponsor: Senator Herrera

The President: To the Calendar for Ordinary Business.

### SPECIAL ORDERS

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, I ask that Senate Bill No. 142 under Committee Report No. 54 be transferred from the Calendar for Ordinary Business to the Calendar for Special Orders.

The President: Is there any objection to the said motion? [Silence] Hearing none, the motion is approved.

Senator Romulo: Likewise, Mr. President, for Senate Bill No. 346 under Committee Report No. 55 from the Calendar for Ordinary Business to the Calendar for Special Orders.

The President: Is there any objection to the motion? [Silence] Hearing none, the motion is approved.

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, on a question of personal privilege, I ask that the distinguished Senator from Catanduanes and Quezon City, Senator Francisco "Kit" Tatad be recognized.

The President: Senator Francisco Tatad is hereby recognized.

These proposals will be crucial to the successful implementation of the programs of this Administration.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS

The President: Referred to the Committee on Rules.

### RESOLUTION

The Secretary: Proposed Senate Resolution No. 251, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE
ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC
OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS TO
CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF
LEGISLATION, INTO THE CONDUCT AND
EVALUATION OF THE BIDDING, THE
NEGOTIATIONS AND TRANSACTIONS
LEADING TO THE AWARD OF THE BIDS
OF THE OECF ASSISTED PROJECT
MACTAN (CEBU) INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT.

Introduced by Senator Osmeña.

The President: Referred to the Committee on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations.

BILL ON THIRD READING Senate Bill No. 176--Hazing as a Crime

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, I move that we vote on Third Reading on Senate Bill No. 176. Copies of the bill were distributed to all the Members of the Senate on December 14, 1992.

The President: Voting on Third Reading on Senate Bill No. 176 is now in order.

The Secretary will please read only the title of the bill, if there is no objection. [There was none.]

The Secretary: Senate Bill No. 176, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING THE CRIME OF HAZING AND AMENDING FOR THAT PURPOSE SECTION ONE, CHAPTER ONE, TITLE EIGHT OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE REVISED PENAL CODE." The President: The Senate will now proceed to vote on the bill. The Secretary will please call the roll.

The Secretary called the roll and the result of the yoting was as follows:

YES - 15

Senator Alvarez
Senator Osmeña
Senator Biazon
Senator Gonzales
Senator Guingona
Senator Lina
Senator Maceda
Senator Mercado
Senator Ople
Senator Osmeña
Senator Rasul
Senator Romulo
Senator Senator Sotto
Senator Tañada
Senator Tatad
Senator Tolentino

*NO* - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

#### RESULT OF VOTING

The President: With 15 affirmative votes, no negative vote, and no abstention, Senate Bill No. 176 is approved on Third Reading.

BILL ON SECOND READING
Senate Bill No. 925--Municipal Libraries and
Barangay Reading Centers
(Continuation)

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, I move that we resume consideration of Senate Bill No. 925 as reported out under Committee Report No. 33.

The President: Resumption of consideration of Senate Bill No. 925 is now in order.

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, we are still in the period of amendments. I ask that the distinguished Lady from Mindanao, Senator Santanina Rasul, be recognized.

The President: Senator Rasul is recognized.

# **COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

Senator Rasul: Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. President, for the record, the amendments submitted have been distributed twice already. So, I feel certain that the distinguished Members of this Chamber are already familiar