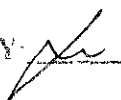


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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS (BLUE RIBBON) TO INQUIRE INTO AND INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE ALLEGED MISUSE OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE (MVUC) ALSO KNOWN AS THE ROAD USERS TAX

WHEREAS, Republic Act 8794 provide that all owners of motor vehicles, whether for hire or private use, including government vehicles, are required to register and pay a Motor Vehicle User's Charge (MVUC) to the Land Transportation Office (LTO);

WHEREAS, this MVUC collections shall be earmarked solely and used exclusively for: (a) road maintenance and the improvement of road drainages, (b) installation of adequate and efficient traffic lights and road safety devices and (c) air pollution devices;

WHEREAS, these MVUC collections are by law deposited into four special trust accounts namely the Special Road Support Fund, Special Local Road Fund, Special Road Safety Fund – all managed by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and the Special Vehicle Pollution Control Fund – which is managed by the Department of transportation and Communications (DOTC);

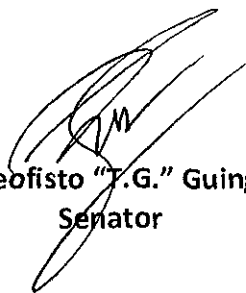
WHEREAS, from January 2001 up to December 2010, Php 70.393 Billion MVUC collections were deposited to said account;

WHEREAS, sometime November 2005, the DPWH National Capita Region (DPWH-NCR) and the Philippine National Police National Capital Police Regional Office (PNP-NCRPO) entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) whereby the former (DPWH-NCR) transferred and released to the latter (PNP-NCRPO) the amount of Php 8,547,000.00 for the alleged hiring of workers and payment of their salaries under an emergency employment program of the government known as the "Out of School Youth Serving Towards Economic Recovery" (OYSTER);

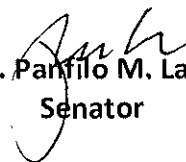
WHEREAS, these releases appear to be in violation of Republic Act 3019 otherwise known as the Anti Graft and Corrupt Practices Act because as pointed out, all monies collected under this RA 8794 should have been earmarked solely and used exclusively for the maintenance and improvement of road drainage, installation of adequate and efficient traffic lights and road safety and air pollution control and NOT established to address underemployment or drug problems of the youth;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Audit (COA) in its report even observed that " x x x the liquidated documents submitted by the PNP-HQ to the DPWH may be considered defective. The signatures appearing in the payrolls and daily time records have the same strokes. At times the signatures appear to have been made by one and the same person. x x x";

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved to direct the Senate Committee on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations (Blue Ribbon) to conduct an inquiry in aid of legislation into the the alleged misuse of the Motor Vehicle User's Charge otherwise known as the Road User's Tax.



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