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RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DISTRESSING AIR TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN NINOY AQUINO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (NAIA) CAUSING INCONVENIENCE TO THE TRAVELERS, NEGATIVELY AFFECTING PHILIPPINE TOURISM AND HUGE BUSINESS LOSSES WITH THE END VIEW OF CRAFTING MEASURES AND PROVIDING REMEDY TO ADDRESS THE NAIA AIR TRAFFIC CONGESTION

WHEREAS, the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA), also known as Manila International Airport, is the main gateway in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, with only two (2) active runways, the primary runway 6/24 and secondary 3/31, it houses four (4) terminals and currently used by approximately 40 airlines, Air Asia, Zest, Cebu Pacific, PAL Express, Philippine Airlines, Tigerair Philippines and Philippines AirAsia among others;

WHEREAS, in terms of runway capacity or the aircraft movement per hour, NAIA can only bear 40 aircrafts, in terms of passenger terminal capacity per annum, it can only bear 28 million passengers;

WHEREAS, for the year 2014, NAIA handled 34.1 million international and domestic passengers, 4% higher compared to 32.8 million in 2013. Domestic passenger traffic was at 20.35 million from 20.33 million.

WHEREAS, Cebu Pacific flew 3.19 million passengers to international routes. It continued its dominance in the domestic front as it flew 11.08 million passengers within the Philippines last year or 8.2% higher to 10.24 million passengers in 2013 despite having its base in Cebu;

losses of airline company for additional aviation fuel expenses and engine costs and cost of aircraft time due to the congestion at NAIA.

WHEREAS, an estimate of 200,000 to 400,000 kilograms of additional fuel are expended as a result of the congestion which amounts to P3.7 billion a year by the airlines.

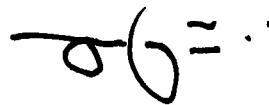
WHEREAS, the business losses suffered by the airline company will be passed on to the consumers thereby causing high prices of airline tickets and other services that might have adverse effects to passengers, travelers and tourists.

WHEREAS, the government projects a dramatic increase in air transport demand in the coming years which will have massive effect to the current air traffic congestion.

WHEREAS, it is important to address the air traffic congestion to prevent business losses, inconvenience to the passengers and aid the promotion of Philippine tourism.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to urge the Senate Committee on Public Services to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the distressing air traffic congestion in Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) causing inconvenience to the travelers, negatively affecting Philippine tourism and huge business losses with the end view of crafting measures and providing remedy to address the NAIA air traffic congestion.

Adopted,



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