

RECORD OF THE SENATE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1994

OPENING OF THE SESSION

At 4:22 p.m., the Honorable Edgardo J. Angara, President of the Senate, called the session to order.

The President: The 44th session of the Senate is hereby called to order.

Senator Francisco S. Tatad will lead us in prayer.

Everybody rose for the opening prayer.

PRAYER

Senator Tatad:

Almighty Father,

You have called us to this Chamber as we begin to consider the most vital measures before us,
Give us the grace to see what we do not yet see
To know what we do not yet know
And to say what we cannot always say,
So that our people will hear not what they want to hear
but what You want them to know, for their own good
today and tomorrow, and for the glory of Your name
and our country.

All this we ask in the name of Jesus Your Son, Our Lord
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one
God, forever and ever.

Amen.

ROLL CALL

The President: The Secretary will please call the roll.

The Secretary:

Senator Heherson T. Alvarez
Senator Agapito A. Aquino
Senator Rodolfo G. Biazon
Senator Anna Dominique M.L. Coseteng .
Senator Neptali A. Gonzales
Senator Ernesto F. Herrera
Senator Jose D. Lina, Jr.
Senator Gloria Macapagal Present
Senator Ernesto M. Maceda
Senator Orlando S. Mercado

Senator Blas F. Ople
Senator John H. Osmeña Present
Senator Santanina T. Rasul
Senator Ramon B. Revilla
Senator Raul S. Roco
Senator Alberto G. Romulo Present
Senator Leticia R. Shahani
Senator Vicente C. Sotto III
Senator Wigberto E. Tañada
Senator Francisco S. Tatad Present
Senator Arturo M. Tolentino Present
Senator Freddie N. Webb
The President Present

The President: As there are only six Senators present, there is no quorum.

Senator Romulo: Mr. President.

The President: The Majority Leader is recognized.

SUSPENSION OF THE SESSION

Senator Romulo: I move that we suspend the session, Mr. President, and ask our Colleagues to come to the Session Hall.

The President: The Secretary is instructed to call each and every Senator who are not here, and ask them to come to the Session Hall.

The session is suspended, if there is no objection. [*There was none.*]

It was 4:24 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF THE SESSION

At 4:58 p.m., the session was resumed with the Honorable Agapito A. Aquino, presiding.

The Presiding Officer [Senator Aquino]: The session is resumed.

ROLL CALL

The Secretary will please call the roll.

The Secretary:

Senator Heherson T. Alvarez Present
Senator Agapito A. Aquino Present
Senator Rodolfo G. Biazon Present*

There is a very important aspect in marketing, and that is the claims of what is being marketed have to have a one-to-one correspondence with reality. If the toothpaste is not good, the people will not buy it no matter how beautiful the teeth of the endorser are.

SUSPENSION OF THE SESSION

Senator Romulo: May I ask for a suspension of the session, Mr. President.

The Presiding Officer [Senator Aquino]: The session is suspended for one minute, if there is no objection. [*There was none.*]

It was 6:42 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF THE SESSION

At 6:50 p.m., the session was resumed.

The Presiding Officer [Senator Aquino]: The session is resumed.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 1942

Senator Romulo: While the discussion on the lifting of the political ad ban is going on, with the permission of our Colleagues, may I move that we suspend consideration of Senate Bill No. 1942.

The Presiding Officer [Senator Aquino]: Is there any objection? [*Silence*] Hearing none, the motion is approved.

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, we have two bills that we may pass on Third Reading today. The three-day rule on the distribution of printed copies has been complied with in the case of Senate Bill No. 1913, the Party-List System. We passed this bill on Second Reading on November 14, and we had the printed copies distributed last week.

In the case of Senate Bill No. 1863, the Export Development Bill, we also passed this on Second Reading on November 15 and the printed copies were distributed last week, thereby complying also with the three-day rule on distribution of printed copies prior to Third Reading.

BILL ON THIRD READING Senate Bill No. 1913 - Party-List System

Senator Romulo: Mr. President, I move that we vote on Third Reading on Senate Bill No. 1913. Copies of the bill were distributed to all the Members of the Senate.

The Presiding Officer [Senator Aquino]: Voting on Third Reading on Senate Bill No. 1913 is now in order.

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

The Secretary: Senate Bill No. 1913, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEM OF
ELECTING MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES THROUGH A PARTY-
LIST SYSTEM.

The Presiding Officer [Senator Aquino]: 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 voting was as follows:

YES - 15

Senator Aquino	Senator Roco
Senator Biazon	Senator Romulo
Senator Gonzales	Senator Sotto
Senator Herrera	Senator Tañada
Senator Lina, Jr.	Senator Tatad
Senator Maceda	Senator Tolentino
Senator Mercado	The Senate President
Senator Osmeña	

NO - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

RESULT OF VOTING

The Presiding Officer [Senator Aquino]: With 15 affirmative votes, no negative vote, and no abstention, Senate Bill No. 1913 is approved on Third Reading.