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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 683



Introduced by

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RESOLUTION

URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, TO CONDEMN AND INVESTIGATE THE ILLEGAL ARREST OF FOUR PEASANT LEADERS IN BUKIDNON LAST JANUARY 23, 2020

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2020, four (4) peasant leaders were illegally arrested by the military in Maramag, Bukidnon. The arrested were: Jun Guinanao, chairperson of Kilusang Magbubukid ng Pilipinas (KMP) provincial chapter KASAMA-Bukidnon, June Makute of local farmer's group Buffalo-Tamaraw-Limus (BTL), Danilo Menente and Albert Tanallion;

WHEREAS, prior to their arrest, the peasant leaders attended a dialogue and meeting with Bukidnon 3rd District Rep. Manuel Zubiri, where they presented and discussed the issues affecting the farmers in the province. The four (4) farmers are active in leading the land rights campaign in the said province;

WHEREAS, after the dialogue with Rep. Zubiri, members of the 88th Infantry Battalion apprehended the peasant leaders and forcibly took them to the Philippine Army camp in Maramag Town. They were interrogated by the military, which falsely accused them and their organization of harboring NPA rebels;

WHEREAS, while the said peasant leaders were later released without any charges by their military captors, the said attack against them is a clear affront to the rights of our people, and Congress, as an institution should not ignore the same.


NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the House of Representatives, through the Committee on Human Rights, condemn and investigate the illegal arrest of four (4) peasant leaders in Bukidnon last January 23, 2020.

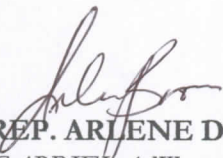
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