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A RESOLUTION
INVESTIGATING, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE YOUTH RECRUITMENT OF THE NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY (NPA), USING SO-CALLED CIVILIAN FRONT ORGANIZATIONS AND CAMPUS YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS, TO REINFORCE THEIR RANKS FOR COMMUNIST TERRORIST ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 4 (Principles) of the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that "The prime duty of the Government is to serve and protect the people. The Government may call upon the people to defend the State";

WHEREAS, Article 2, Section 13 (State Policies) of the 1987 Philippine Constitution clearly states that "The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth, patriotism and nationalism";

WHEREAS, the New People's Army (NPA) is a terrorist organization and its front members are ambushing and killing our soldiers and policemen, extorting money from our entrepreneurs and local government leaders, burning down our telecommunication cellular sites and vehicles for national development (construction trucks, heavy-duty equipment, and buses);

WHEREAS, with the whole-of-nation approach now of the Philippine Government against the said communist terrorist group (CTG), many old NPA Fighters are surrendering by the hundreds in different parts of the country and with this, civilian front organizations of the NPA are boosting their youth recruitment in cities and school campuses to replenish their ranks;
WHEREAS, it is not the purpose of this measure to investigate organizations that are simply opposing or criticizing the government. The patriotic intention of this investigation is for the Philippine Congress and the Filipino People to finally find out which front organizations are recruiting for the New People's Army, for clearly the NPA has no visible recruitment centers in cities and schools and are just using non-NPA-named front organizations to recruit for them;

WHEREAS, former NPA rebels who have surrendered to our government might have already given statements and evidence on how they were recruited to the NPA ranks together with the decades of experiences and intelligence data of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, Philippine National Police, National Intelligence Coordinating Agency, National Security Council, and of the National Task Force to End the Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC);

WHEREAS, in accordance with the policies and principles of the 1987 Constitution, it is the duty of this government and of this Congress of the Republic of the Philippines to finally investigate and resolve this most serious issue in our nation, for the stability and security of this Republic, to protect the millions of Filipino Youth and the next generation of Filipinos;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives of the Philippines, to investigate, in aid of legislation, the youth recruitment of the New People's Army (NPA) using so-called civilian front organizations and campus youth organizations, to reinforce their ranks for communist terrorist activities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that former NPA Rebels together with the top officials of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, Philippine National Police, National Intelligence Coordinating Agency, National Security Council, and the National Task Force to End the Local Communist Armed Conflict (NTF-ELCAC), be invited as resource people for this congressional investigation.

Adopted,

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