

JOURNAL NO. 20

Monday, June 30, 1986

CALL TO ORDER

At 5:21 p.m., the President of the Constitutional Commission, the Honorable Cecilia Muñoz Palma, called the session to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

The National Anthem was sung followed by a prayer led by Mr. Alberto M. K. Jamir, to wit:

Almighty God, we meet in Thy presence seeking divine guidance, that we may fashion a Constitution which will prevent a repetition of the shameless rape of our country by another Marcos; assure our people's freedom from fear of oppression; and vouchsafe for them equal opportunity in their pursuit of a better tomorrow to lighten the burden of their unceasing daily toil.

For this awesome task; Oh Lord, we pray Thee to keep our minds clear, our hearts pure, and our hands clean and steady, that the product of our labor may endure for all times and bring to fruition our country's driving dream of a higher horizon. Only then may we be truly worthy of Thy benediction: "Well done, good and faithful servants, enter thou into the Kingdom of thy Lord."

Amen.

ROLL CALL

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary-General of the Commission called the Roll and the following Members responded:

Abubakar, Y. Gascon, J. L. M. C.
R.
Alonto, A. D. Guingona, S. V. C.
Aquino, F. S. Jamir, A. M. K.
Azcuna, A. Laurel, J. B.
S.
Bacani, T. C. Lerum, E. R.
Bengzon, J. Maambong, R. E.
F. S.
Bennagen, P. Monsod, C. S.
L.
Bernas, J. G. Natividad, T. C.
Rosario
Braid, F. Nieva, M. T. F.

Brocka, L. O. Nollo, J. N.
De Castro, C. M. Ople, B. F.
Colayco, J. C. Padilla, A. B.
Concepcion, R. R. Muñoz Palma, C.
Davide, H. G. Quesada, M. L. M.
Foz, V. B. Rama, N. G.
Garcia, E. G. Regalado, F. D.
De los Reyes, R. F. Tadeo, J. S. L.
Rigos, C. A. Tan, C.
Rodrigo, F. A. Tingson, G. J.
Romulo, R. J. Treñas, E. B.
Sarmiento, R. V. Uka, L. L.
Suarez, J. E. Villacorta, W. V.
Sumulong, L. M. Villegas, B. M.

With 46 Members present, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

Messrs. Calderon and Rosales were absent.

On the June 18 and 27, 1986 sessions, Mr. Abubakar appeared after the Roll Call but was inadvertently listed as absent.

READING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

On motion of Mr. Rama, there being no objection, the reading of the Journal of the previous session was dispensed with and the said Journal was approved by the Body.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On motion of Mr. Rama, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Reference of Business.

REFERRAL TO COMMITTEES OF RESOLUTIONS

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary-General read, on First Reading, the titles of the following Proposed Resolutions which were, in turn, referred by the Chair to the Committees hereunder indicated:

Proposed Resolution No. 315, entitled:

RESOLUTION TO INCORPORATE IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION A NEW ARTICLE ENTITLED "NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY"

Introduced by Honorable De Castro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL PROVISIONS

Proposed Resolution No. 316, entitled:

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO ADOPT IN THE CONSTITUTION A PROVISION DECLARING LAND REFORM A CORNERSTONE IN THE ECONOMIC REFORM OF THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Honorable Tingson

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL JUSTICE

Proposed Resolution No. 317, entitled:

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO INCLUDE IN THE TRANSITORY PROVISIONS THE IMPOSITION OF A TWENTY-YEAR LOGGING BAN ON ENDANGERED FOREST LANDS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Honorable Tingson

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL ECONOMY AND PATRIMONY

Proposed Resolution No. 318, entitled:

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO INCORPORATE IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION A PROVISION RENOUNCING WAR AS AN INSTRUMENT OF NATIONAL POLICY

Introduced by Honorable Tingson

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE, NATIONAL TERRITORY AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

Proposed Resolution No. 319, entitled:

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO INCORPORATE IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION A PROVISION EXCLUSIVELY EMPOWERING THE LEGISLATURE TO DECLARE THE EXISTENCE OF A STATE OF WAR

Introduced by Honorable Tingson

TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE LEGISLATIVE

Proposed Resolution No. 320, entitled:

RESOLUTION PROPOSING TO INCORPORATE IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION A PROVISION ON THE PROTECTION AND WELFARE OF WORKERS

Introduced by Honorable Tingson

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL JUSTICE

Proposed Resolution No. 321, entitled:

RESOLUTION PROPOSING FOR THE ADOPTION OF A BICAMERAL SYSTEM
OF LEGISLATURE IN THE NEW CONSTITUTION

Introduced by Honorable Tingson

TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE LEGISLATIVE

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication No. 67 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from Mr. Bienvenido A. Castillo of Pulilan, Bulacan, suggesting provisions on the bill of rights and suffrage, among others

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP, BILL OF RIGHTS, POLITICAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Communication No. 68 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from the Economic Emancipation Association of the Philippines, Inc., signed by Mr. Vicente D. Gabriel, submitting a proposal on managed currency

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL ECONOMY AND PATRIMONY

Communication No. 69 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from Mr. Martin R. Reyes, of Vasra Village, Quezon City, submitting recommendations pertaining to forest resources

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL ECONOMY AND PATRIMONY

Communication No. 70 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from Third World Movement Against the Exploitation of Women signed by Sister Mary Soledad Perpiñan, proposing, "Women and men shall have equal rights," as a separate section in the Bill of Rights

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP, BILL OF RIGHTS, POLITICAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Communication No. 71 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from Mr. Rafael B. Hidalgo, Regional Trial Court Judge, Legaspi City, enclosing a draft article on the judiciary proposing a five-member board of judicial administrators

TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Communication No. 72 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Resolution No. 3 of the Family Planning Organization of the Philippines, Quezon Province Chapter, proposing the inclusion in the Constitution of a national policy on family planning and population control

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GENERAL PROVISIONS

Communication No. 73 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Communication from Mr. Selwyn Clyde M. Alojipan of Capitol Green Village, Tandang Sora, Quezon City, proposing, among others, the election of the vice-president of the Philippines, the provincial vice-governor and the municipal vice-mayor for six-year terms, who shall automatically take over as president, governor and mayor, respectively, after the first three years in office

TO THE COMMITTEE ON THE EXECUTIVE

Communication No. 74 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from Mrs. Pura Kalaw-Ledesma of Legaspi Village, Makati, Metro Manila, enclosing proposed constitutional provisions on science, arts and letters and on a Commission on Culture

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES

Communication No. 75 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from Mr. Albino V. Arriero of Provident Village, Marikina, Metro Manila, proposing provisions on citizenship, bill of rights, the legislature and term and tenure of elective and appointive officials, among others

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CITIZENSHIP, BILL OF RIGHTS, POLITICAL RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Communication No. 76 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Communication from Rev. Fr. Ever Cansancio, Mr. Luis S. Hervas and Ms. Noemi Deocampo, all of Tanza, Iloilo City, proposing provisions on the preamble, family unity, social integrity, poverty and reforms, among others

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE, NATIONAL TERRITORY AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

Communication No. 77 — Constitutional Commission of 1986

Letter from Filipino Crusaders World Army, Inc., signed by Cirilo T. Demetria proposing incorporation in the Constitution of its Man's Moral Concept

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PREAMBLE, NATIONAL TERRITORY AND DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES

Communication No. 78 — Constitution Commission of 1986