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OPENING OF SESSION

At 9:52 a.m., the President, the Honorable Cecilia Muñoz Palma, opened the session.

THE PRESIDENT: The session is called to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

THE PRESIDENT: Everybody will please rise to sing the National Anthem.

Everybody rose to sing the National Anthem.

THE PRESIDENT: Everybody will please remain standing for the Prayer to be led by the Honorable Adolfo S. Azcuna.

Everybody remained standing for the Prayer.

PRAYER

MR. AZCUNA: Remember You are Mother Mary, that You won't say You won't because You are our Mother and You can't say You can't because You are God's mother, so You will, won't You? Amen.

ROLL CALL

THE PRESIDENT: The Secretary-General will please call the roll.

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, *reading*:

Abubakar	Present *	Foz	Present
Alonto	Present *	Garcia	Present
Aquino	Present *	Gascon	Present
Azcuna	Present	Guingona	Present
Bacani	Present	Jamir	Present
Bengzon	Present *	Laurel	Present *
Bennagen	Present	Lerum	Present *
Bernas	Present	Maambong	Present *
Rosario Braid	Present	Monsod	Present *
Brocka	Present	Natividad	Present *
Calderon	Present	Nieva	Present
Castro de	Present	Nolledo	Present
Colayco	Present *	Ople	Present *
Concepcion	Present	Padilla	Present

Davide	Present	Quesada	Present
Rama	Present	Sumulong	Present
Regalado	Present	Tadeo	Present
Reyes de los	Present	Tan	Present *
Rigos	Present	Tingson	Present
Rodrigo	Present	Treñas	Present
Romulo	Present	Uka	Present
Rosales	Present *	Villacorta	Present
Sarmiento	Present *	Villegas	Present *
Suarez	Present		

The President is present.

The roll call shows 33 Members responded to the call.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair declares the presence of a quorum.

MR. CALDERON: Madam President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Assistant Floor Leader is recognized.

MR. CALDERON: I move that we dispense with the reading of the Journal of the previous session.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

MR. CALDERON: Madam President, I move that we approve the Journal of the previous session.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

MR. CALDERON: Madam President, I move that we proceed to the Reference of Business.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary-General will read the Reference of Business.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Secretary-General read the following Communications, the President making the corresponding references:

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter from Atty. Paz E. Vicada, Chairman, Socio-Cultural Task Force, PCCC, Misamis Oriental, and fifty-six teachers with their corresponding schools, requesting inclusion

in the Constitution of the following proposals: (1) that the educational system shall be free from political intervention; (2) that public school teachers shall have the right to unionize as well as the right to strike; (3) that city and barangay schools have their budget nationalized; (4) that teachers shall have representation in the legislature and in academic policy-making bodies; and (5) that there shall be a national commission to investigate offenses committed by administrative officials against classroom teachers.

(Communication No. 431 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Committee on Human Resources.

Letter from Mr. Ambrosio Rilloraza of 383 Bo. Cruz, La Trinidad, Benguet, submitting for consideration of the Constitutional Commission his version of a new Constitution.

(Communication No. 432 — Constitutional Commission of 1986).

To the Steering Committee.

Letter from Mr. Daniel M. Mercado, Jr., President, Filipino Life Insurance Companies Association, Inc., suggesting that life insurance be included among those to be considered for limitation of ownership of 100%, if not at least 75%, Filipino.

(Communication No. 433 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Committee on the National Economy and Patrimony.

Communication from Mr. Hermogenes Martin, Jr. of Dal-Al Amarah, P.O. Box 1727, Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, suggesting, among others, (1) that the term of the President be six years with one reelection, (2) that the term of the Members of the legislature be six years with two reelections, (3) that there should be no constitutional convention during martial law, and (4) that the voting age should be twenty-one.

(Communication No. 434 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Steering Committee.

Letter from Mr. Rafael A. Pabillore of Sagay, Camiguin, submitting for consideration by the Constitutional Commission, his views and suggestions on such issues as schedule of elections, bloc voting, political parties, term of office, and presidential immunity.

(Communication No. 435 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Steering Committee.

Letter from Mr. Ciriaco S. Nietes of Binoligan, Kidapawan, Cotabato, submitting an outline of a new Constitution for study and deliberation by the Constitutional Commission.

(Communication No. 436 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Steering Committee.

Letter from Ms. Nila Fragante of 9 Victoria Avenue, New Manila, Quezon City, and one hundred seven others with their corresponding addresses, urging the Constitutional Commission to incorporate in the Constitution a provision obliging the State to protect the life of the unborn child from the moment of conception.

(Communication No. 437 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Committee on Citizenships Bill of Rights, Political Rights and Obligations and Human Rights.

Letter from Fr. Mario Cruz, 319 Elm Avenue, Apt. 3 Long Beach, California 90802, U.S.A., urging the Constitutional Commission to include in the Constitution a provision allowing Filipinos to have dual citizenship.

(Communication No. 438 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Committee on Citizenship, Bill of Rights, Political Rights and Obligations and Human Rights.

Letter from Ms. Ma. Luisa D. Palillo of the Planning Service, Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports, Manila, submitting through the honorable Commissioner Joaquin G. Bernas, S.J., her position papers, which are self-explanatory, on religion in the Philippine schools, colleges, and universities.

(Communication No. 439 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Committee on Human Resources.

Letter from Dr. Jesus V. Tamesis of 42 Quezon Avenue, Quezon City, submitting for consideration by the Constitutional Commission, his position paper on the protection of the patrimony of the nation.

(Communication No. 440 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Committee on the National Economy Patrimony.

Communication from Ms. Teresita Quintos Deles of 61 Molave Street, Monte Vista, Marikina, Metro Manila and one hundred five others, entitled: "Statement of Common Position and Concern re: Proposed constitutional provision on the 'Right to Life from the Moment of Conception'."

(Communication No. 441 — Constitutional Commission of 1986)

To the Committee on Citizenship, Bill of Rights, Political Rights and Obligations and Human Rights.

MR. RAMA: Madam President.

THE PRESIDENT: The Floor Leader is recognized.

CONSIDERATION OF
PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 534
(Article on Social Justice)
Continuation

PERIOD OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE

MR. RAMA: I move that we continue the consideration of Committee Report No. 34 on Proposed Resolution No. 534, known as the Article on Social Justice.

We are now in the period of interpellations.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The honorable Chairman and members of the Committee on Social Justice will please come forward and occupy the front table.

MR. RAMA: Next on the list of interpellators, Madam President, is Commissioner Rigos. I ask that he be recognized.

THE PRESIDENT: We will just first await the Chairman and the members of the Committee.

Is the Committee ready?

MS. NIEVA: Yes, Madam President.

THE PRESIDENT: Commissioner Rigos is recognized.

REV. RIGOS: Madam President, my short comment has something to do with Section 4, page 2, line 8, on the words "and participation in policy and decision-making." This must refer to the desire of the labor unions to have participation in the management of the company. I just wonder whether the Committee would consider adding a line or two on management participation in the policy- and decision-making of the unions.

And then on line 13, it says: "recognize the primacy of the right of labor to its just share." It was intimated here last Saturday that probably this phrase refers to profit-sharing which, we are happy to note, is being done right now in many companies. My inquiry here is: Would the Committee also consider adding a line or two on loss-sharing in case the company does not make money or in case of loss? What about the share of labor in the loss of the company?

Thank you.

MS. NIEVA: With regard to the suggestion that management should also participate in the policy-making of the unions . . .

REV. RIGOS: To make it balanced, not just one way.