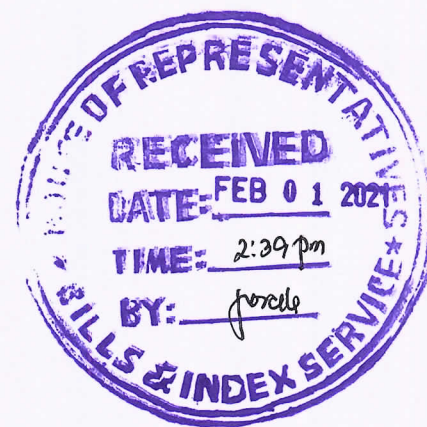


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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1531

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (DICT), THE MAJOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES NAMELY, GLOBE TELECOM, INC. (GLOBE), SMART COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (SMART), AND DITO TELECOMMUNITY CORPORATION (DITO) TO BUILD, UPGRADE, OR REPAIR THE TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN MANGSEE ISLANDS IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AND TAGANAK ISLANDS IN THE PROVINCE OF TAWI-TAWI

Introduced by **Representative SHIRLYN L. BAÑAS-NOGRALES**

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2020 the Special Committee on East Asean Growth Area held its second meeting to discuss updates on BIMP-EAGA Vision 2025 (BEV 2025) as well as the situation of the sub-region trade during the pandemic;

WHEREAS, the meeting chaired by Vice-chairperson Shirlyn L. Bañas-Nograles was attended by the Secretary of Mindanao Development Authority, Hon. Emmanuel "Manny" F. Piñol;

WHEREAS, Secretary Manny Piñol and Rep. Gil A. Acosta, Jr. of Palawan informed the Committee that the island boundaries of the Philippines particularly in Palawan and Tawi-tawi lack telecommunication facilities which hamper trade activities in the area;

WHEREAS, the major telecommunications companies in the country can help in solving the said problem by building telecommunication facilities or upgrading existing ones in Mangsee Islands in the Province of Palawan and Taganak Islands in the Province of Tawi-tawi;

WHEREAS, the Department of Information and Communications Technology can also help in establishing the needed telecommunication facilities by providing assistance to the telecommunication companies in securing the necessary permits needed for the immediate construction of telecommunication facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to urge the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), other concerned agencies of the government, the major telecommunication companies

namely, Globe Telecom, Inc. (Globe), Smart Communications, Inc. (Smart), and DITO Telecommunity Corporation (DITO), to immediately build, upgrade, or repair the telecommunication facilities in Mangsee Islands in the Province of Palawan and Taganak Islands in the Province of Taw-Tawi.

Adopted,


SHIRLYN L. BAÑAS-NOGRALES