ANONMALOUS P79M SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

September 31, 2009

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Gentlemen:

In a letter dated August 20, 2009, HON. LUIS RAYMUND F. VILLAFUERTE JR. requested for the inclusion in the agenda of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Regular Session the following Supplemental Budget Appropriations:

A. GENERAL FUND

Source of Fund—Understimated IRA (CY 2009)		Р	76,001,769.00
—Savings from Capital Outlay (Various Offices)			3,000,000.00
		Total	P 79,001,769.00
Α.	Special Purpose appropriations		
	1. 5% Calamity Fund P 3,800,088.45		
	2. Scholarship Program 30,000,000.00		
	3. Donations (878) 4,000,000.00		
B. Maintenance and other Operating Expenses			
	1. Other Professional Services P 41,200,000.00		
	General Services		
	Security Services		
	Total Appropriations	Р	<u>79,000,088.45</u>



The attachments of the said request did not indicate the proper breakdown of the said Special Purpose Appropriations.

What is mysterious moreover is the request for appropriation under Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) the amount of FORTY ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (41,200,000.00) PESOS which per Local Budget Preparations Form No. 2 (Supplemental Budget No. 1-2009 Undated), the said amount is earmarked for "other professional services".

This request for the gargantuan amount of FORTY ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (P41,000,000.00) PESOS requires at least the appropriate courtesy explanation to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Camarines Sur being the dispenser of the purse. In this trying times—in the face of the devastations brought about by calamities of biblical proportions, the province of Camarines Sur should be sparing in the disbursements or the utilization of its provincial funds especially in the amount of FORTY ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (P41,200,000.00) PESOS allegedly allotted for "other professional services". We do not know what these professional services consist of. In the event of any calamity, heaven forbid, the amount of FORTY ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (P41,200,000.00) PESOS can buy the needed supplies, assistance, medicines, and shelter tour less fortunate province mates.

In view thereof, kindly favor the undersigned the particulars on the alleged payment of so called "other professional services"; the specific contracts involving these alleged professional and/or consultancies between the province of Camarines Sur and the said professional and/or consultant; and the contracts of the Security Services allegedly entered into by the province, within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof otherwise I shall exhaust the available remedies under the law per R.A. 6713 also known as "CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES".

Please be guided accordingly.

SIGNED-BOARD MEMBER CARLO M. BATALLA

