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**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** The Regional Executive Director  
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Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

**THRU :** The OIC, ARD for Technical Services


**FROM :** The Provincial Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer

**SUBJECT :** **REPORT /UPDATES RE: LAWIN PATROLS CONDUCTED  
WITHIN THE AREA OF JURISDICTION OF CENRO BROOKE'S  
POINT, PALAWAN FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023**

Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum of CENRO Brooke's Point, Palawan dated November 06, 2023 relative the above subject.

As reported, a total of 93.032 kilometers distance were patrolled. In addition, there were two (2) threats recorded during the conduct of patrolling. (*Please refer to the attached matrix of the report*)

For information and further instruction.

  
**RONIE B. GANDEZA**  
DMO V/Chief, TSD  
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**COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE**  
**Brooke's Point, Palawan**

November 6, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** The Provincial Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer  
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

**FROM :** The Community Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer

**SUBJECT :** **REPORT/UPDATES RE: LAWIN PATROLS CONDUCTED  
WITHIN THE AREA OF JURISDICTION OF CENRO BROOKE'S  
POINT, PALAWAN FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023**

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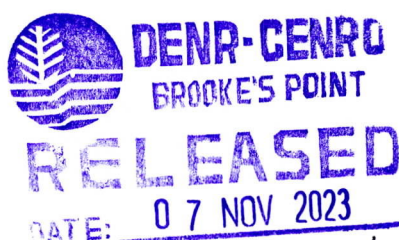
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Respectfully forwarded/endorsed herewith are copies of reports/updates on summary of Lawin Patrolling conducted within the area of jurisdiction of CENRO Brooke's Point, Palawan, with patrol data submitted from September 22 to October 27, 2023.

According to the provided summary, a total of 93.032 kilometers of foot and sea-borne patrolling activities were conducted within the conservation area. This accomplishment is equivalent to 186.06% of the 50 kilometers monthly target of this Office calculated based on the annual target of 600 kilometers as indicated in the approved Work and Financial Plan for CY 2023. However, this figure includes patrol data with GPS error/s which require further assessment and updating of the FMB Lawin Unit and/or the Regional Office Data Manager.

Furthermore, patrol observation records indicate varying forest conditions in the areas patrolled, ranging from early secondary to advanced secondary forests. Additionally, relatively high observations of moderate regeneration have been recorded, which may suggest forest cover recovery. Moreover, for this period, environmental threats recorded include incidences of illegal cutting of trees documented on the island of Pandanan, Balabac, Palawan which consequently resulted to the apprehension of 176 board feet of abandoned amugis lumbers. In response, the concerned patrol team coordinated with the Barangay LGU of Pandanan, Balabac, Palawan to inform them about the illegal cutting of trees documented within their area of jurisdiction and request for their assistance in monitoring the area. Accordingly, Punong Barangay Nestor Gabinete has positively responded to the team's request.

For your information and record.



*For and in the absence of  
The CENRO:*

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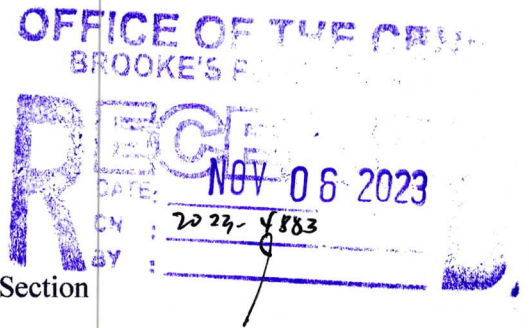
**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR :** The Community Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer  
Brooke's Point, Palawan

**THRU :** The Chief, Enforcement and Monitoring Section

**FROM :** The Lawin Data Manager/Forest Technician II

**SUBJECT : SUBMISSION OF LAWIN REPORT/UPDATES FOR  
THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023**



Respectfully submitted herewith is the LAWIN Report/Update for the month of October 2023. This report provides a summary of patrols conducted by this Office, with patrol data submitted from September 22, 2023 to October 27, 2023. This also includes information about the patrol distance covered by each patroller during the specified dates and their corresponding patrol IDs.

Based on the summaries of queries and reports generated from the SMART Database, the patrol distance (in kilometers) covered by each Patrol Team within their respective Patrol Sectors is as follows:

Patrol Team	Accomplishment (Km)
Team 1	17.184
Team 2	8.446
Team 3	17.054
Team 4	50.347
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>93.032</b>

*\*Note: This figure includes distances based on Patrol Data with GPS errors that require updating. Therefore, the actual distance patrolled may still decrease.*

Furthermore, the environmental threats recorded during this period include incidences of cutting of trees documented on the island of Pandanan, Balabac, Palawan. The discovery of tree cutting activities which led to the apprehension of abandoned lumbers of amugis species with an aggregated volume of 176 board feet, was made during the patrolling and population counting of endangered Philippine Cockatoo facilitated by the Patrol Team 4 of CENRO Brooke's Point, Palawan together with the Katala Foundation Inc. (KFI) personnel

led by Mr. Rene Antonio on October 12, 2023. The apprehended items are now temporarily deposited in the compound of Barangay Pandanan for safekeeping purposes. Meanwhile, Punong Barangay Nestor Gabinete of Barangay Pandanan had been informed about the illegal cutting of trees documented within their area of jurisdiction and has positively responded to the request of the team for assistance in monitoring the area. Please find attached report for more details relative to the actions taken by the team including the recommendations to further address the issue on the documented illegal cutting of trees on the island of Pandanan, Balabac, Palawan.

SUMMARY OF PATROLS

Patrol ID	Type	Patrol Date	Mandate	Leader	Patrol Transport Type/Distance Covered	
175306_001046	Ground	September 20, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Rj Keith Immanuel Idlana	Others	15.292
175306_001047	Ground	September 24, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Rj Keith Immanuel Idlana	Foot	4.851
175306_001048	Ground	October 4, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Rj Keith Immanuel Idlana	Others	13.259
175306_001049	Ground	October 3, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Rj Keith Immanuel Idlana	Others	4.416
175306_001050	Ground	October 12, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Rj Keith Immanuel Idlana	Foot	5.135
175306_001051	Ground	October 13, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Rj Keith Immanuel Idlana	Foot	6.564
175306_001052	Ground	October 13, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Rj Keith Immanuel Idlana	Foot	0.830
175306_001053	Ground	October 4, 2023	Indicator Species-focused Monitoring	Abraham Vicente	Foot	6.421
175306_001054	Ground	October 5, 2023	Indicator Species-focused Monitoring	Abraham Vicente	Foot	2.024
175306_001055	Ground	October 14, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Leandro Jr. Lapangan	Others	13.947
175306_001056	Ground	October 14, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Leandro Jr. Lapangan	Others	3.237
175306_001057	Ground	October 17, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Kennit Francis Valdestamon	Others	9.318
175306_001058	Ground	October 18, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Kennit Francis Valdestamon	Others	3.746
175306_001059	Ground	October 24, 2023	Threats-focused Monitoring	Kennit Francis Valdestamon	Foot	3.991
TOTAL						93.032



COUNT OF OBSERVATION OF FOREST CONDITIONS AND FOREST  
REGENERANTS

Patrol ID	Forest Condition					Regeneration			
	Old Growth	Advanced Secondary	Early Secondary	Open Cultivated	Open Uncultivated	Dense	Moderate	Sparse	None
1046		133					133		
1047				37			37		
1048	4	143	13				159	1	4
1049		44					44		
1050	2	50					52		2
1051		68		1			69		
1052		12					12		
1053		3	61	6	21		91		
1054			25	1	1		27		
1055		45	96			1	140		
1056		27	6			1	32		
1057		24	6	7	20		57		
1058		5			14		19		
1059		3		14			17		
TOTAL	6	557	207	66	56	2	889	1	6

As indicated in the table above, the forest conditions within the conservation areas covered by LAWIN Patrols of CENRO Brooke’s Point for the month of October 2023 varies from **Early Secondary to Advanced Secondary Forests**. Additionally, relatively high observations of moderate regeneration have been recorded, which may serve as an indicator of forest cover recovery.

For his information and record.

  
ROSEVILLE I. MITRA



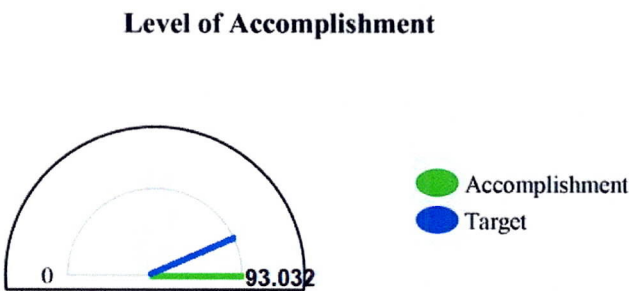
Summary Patrol Report

Region 04B - Brooke's Point

Number of days analyzed: 35 October 31, 2023 10:35 AM

This report presents the patrol performance and quality of the implementing unit during the above stated period of time (number of days). The report contains information on accomplishment rate, coverage and intensity of patrolling in different forest types on patrol distance covered per patroller. The information is meant to provide a basis for patrol planning for the next planning period and implementation of adaptive measures to enhance patrolling as necessary.

Overall accomplishment rate\*

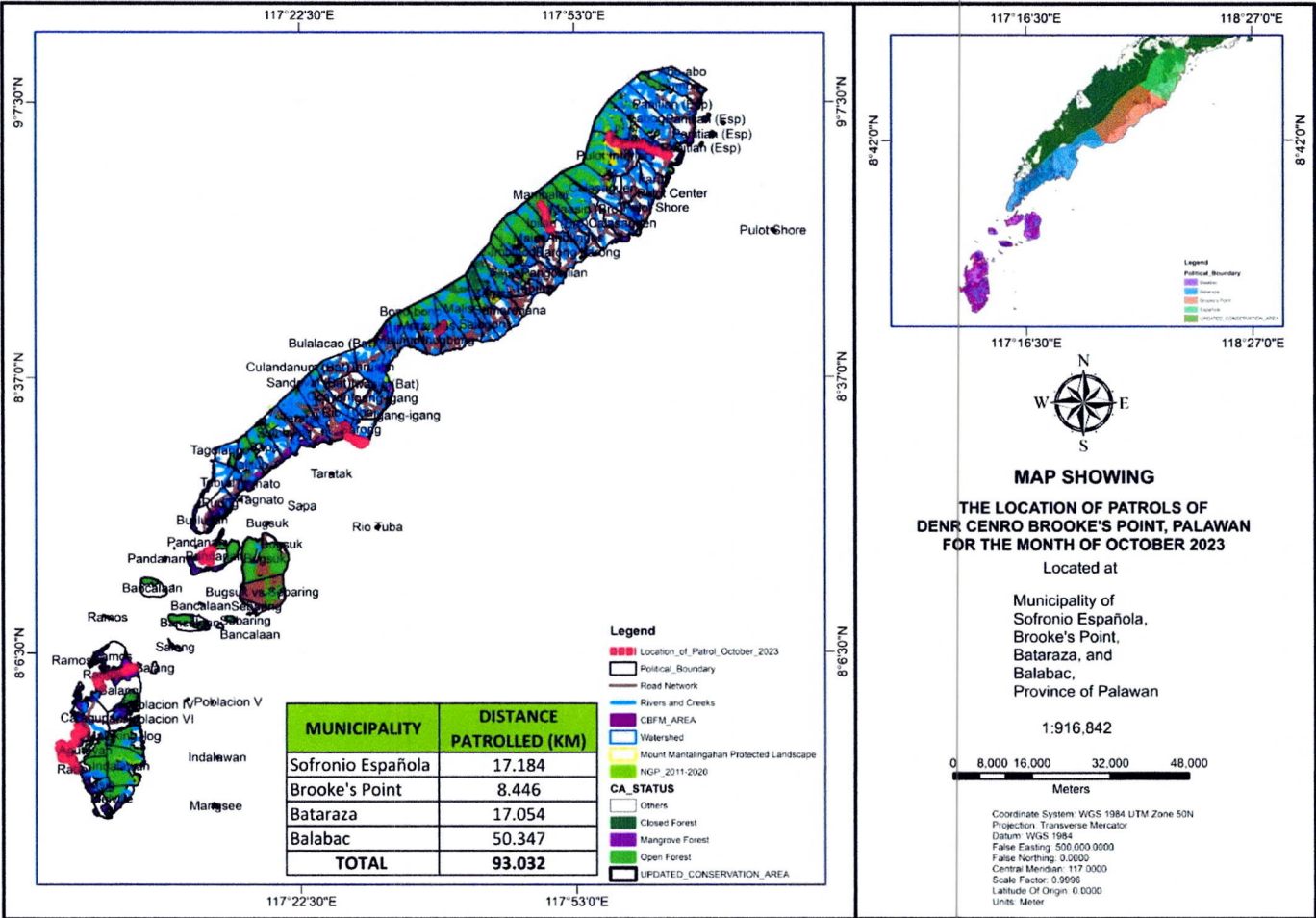


Accomplishment\* for the period 93.032  
Target\* distance for the period 50.00

Accomplishment Rate:  
186.06%

\*Target is computed based on approved WFP annual target patrol distance of Lawin Patrolling in kilometers of CENRO Brooke's Point, Palawan.

Patrol coverage and intensity







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**Lawin Forest and Biodiversity Protection System**

**Patrol distance covered by each Patroller**

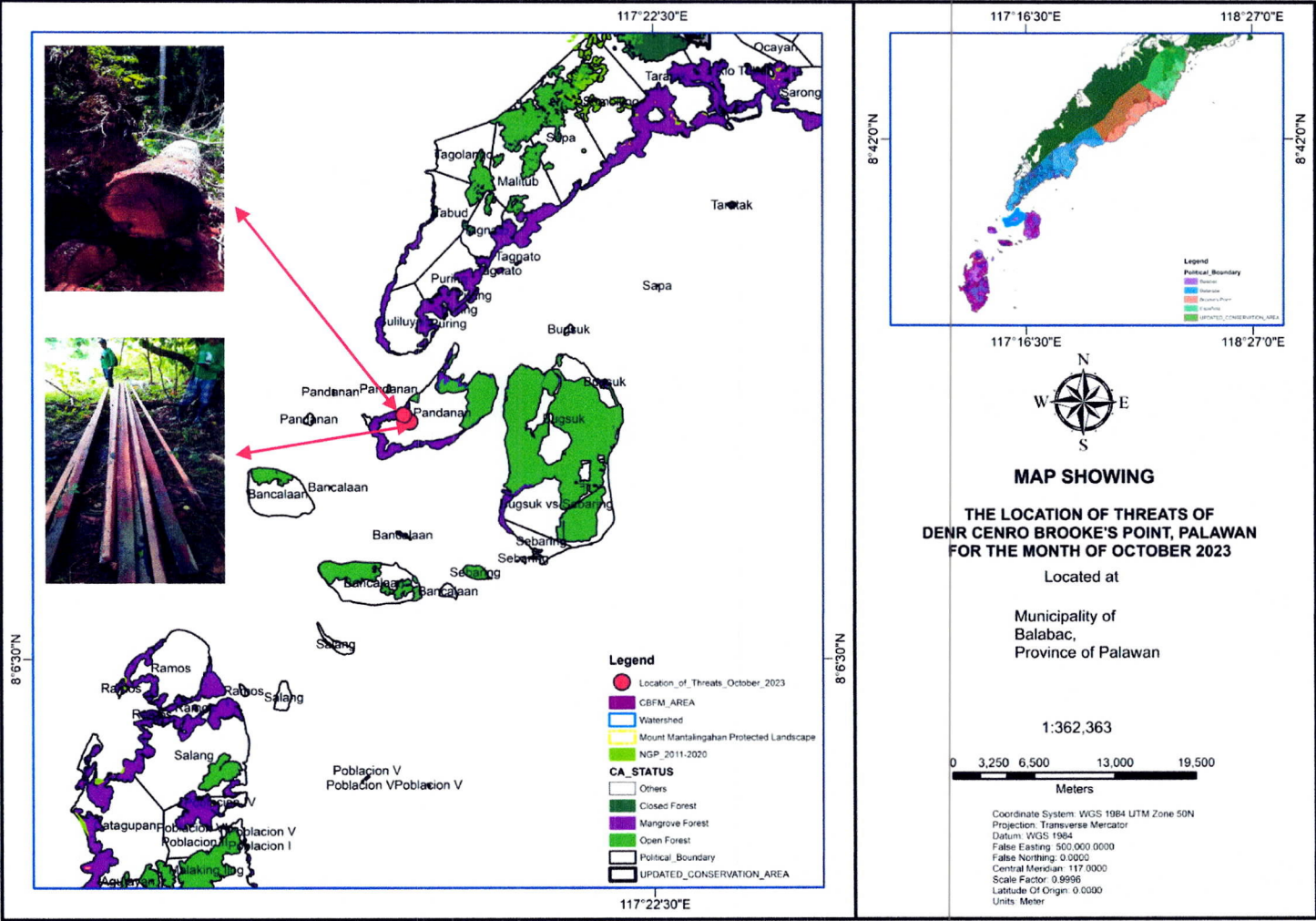
Patroller	Patrol Distance Accomplished
<b>Patrol Team 1 – Municipality of Sofronio Española, Palawan</b>	
FR Leandro F. Lapangan, Jr (Team Leader)	17.184
FR Mark Anthony L. Gabuco (Asst. Team Leader)	17.184
FR Rudy P. Miraflor	17.184
FR Elmer V. Evina	-----
FPO Rolan P. Gamuyao	17.184
<b>Patrol Team 2 – Municipality of Brooke’s Point, Palawan</b>	
FT I Abraham B. Vicente (Team Leader)	8.446
FR Enrico L. Aurino III (Asst. Team Leader)	6.421
FR Mark Ronald S. Velasco	10.167
FR Jefferson B. Tajon	12.191
FR Fermin P. Amar, Jr.	8.446
FR Conrado D. Corpuz, Sr.	6.421
FPO Janggo Turina	8.446
<b>Patrol Team 3 – Municipality of Bataraza, Palawan</b>	
FT II Kennit Francis V. Valdestamon (Team Leader)	17.054
FR Christopher C. Buenafe (Asst. Team Leader)	17.054
FR Rostum Q. Cacatian	17.054
FR Ariel D. Galicia	13.309
FR Leonald A. Tupas	13.309
FPO Edralin Acodili	17.054
<b>Patrol Team 4 – Municipality of Balabac, Palawan</b>	
FT I RJ Keith Immanuel I. Idlana (Team Leader)	50.347
FR Bimbo B. Vicente (Asst. Team Leader)	50.347
FR Jeffrey F. Setias	50.347
FPO Alsiman F. Talata	50.347
<b>Patrol Teams 1-4</b>	
FR April Anne T. Graciano	39.031
FR Rodel A. Ronas	37.818
<b>Supervision</b>	
FT I Reynaldo V. Palisoc	-----



Threats observed and level of response required

Threat	No. of Observations	Emergency - Immediate action required!	Level 1 - Action required within a week	Level 2 - Action required within a month
Cutting of Trees	2	0	0	0

Location of observed threats







October 19, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** : The Regional Executive Director  
DENR MIMAROPA Region  
1515 DENR By the Bay Building, Roxas Boulevard,  
Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

**THRU** : The Provincial Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer  
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

**FROM** : The Community Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer

**SUBJECT** : **CONSERVATION EFFORTS: PATROLLING AND POPULATION  
COUNTING OF THE ENDANGERED PHILIPPINE COCKATOO  
ON THE ISLAND OF PANDANAN, BALABAC, PALAWAN**

Forwarded/endorsed herewith is the Memorandum Report dated October 19, 2023 of the personnel of CENRO Brooke's Point, Palawan relative to the above-cited conservation efforts/activities facilitated by the CENRO Team together with the Katala Foundation Inc. (KFI) personnel led by Mr. Rene Antonio from October 12-18, 2023 on the island of Pandanan, Balabac, Palawan.

Based on the report submitted, the team observed that the presence of cockatoos in residential areas on the island is quite apparent. In addition, the team likewise documented a total of 16 incidences of tree cutting activities and had apprehended abandoned lumbers of amugis species having an aggregated volume of 176 board feet. The apprehended items are now temporarily deposited in the compound of Barangay Pandanan. Punong Barangay Nestor Gabinete of Barangay Pandanan had been informed about the illegal cutting of trees documented within their area of jurisdiction and has positively responded to the request of the team for assistance in monitoring the area.

In connection therewith, it is informed that due to logistic constraints faced by CENRO Brooke's Point in conducting regular on-site monitoring and frequent visits on the island, efforts to address environmental threats and conducting in-depth investigations to determine the perpetrators responsible for illegal cutting activities in the area which poses threats to the habitat conservation of the Philippine Cockatoos are hindered/impeded particularly given its location and distance from the CENRO office and the Balabac Sub-Office.

In this regard, this office concurs with and reiterates the team's recommendations to seek assistance from KFI personnel/patrollers who have been deputized as Special Deputy Environment and Natural Resources Officers (SDENROs) to enhance protection efforts on the island. Additionally, coordination with KFI and other concerned agencies, barangay and municipal LGUs, and private parties should be facilitated to establish a Memorandum of

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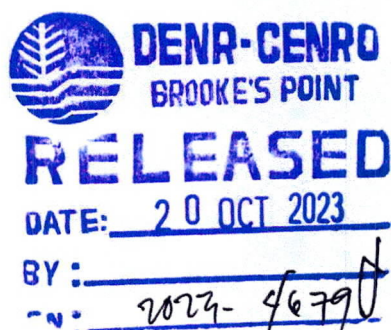
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Agreement in intensifying/enhancing protection and conservation efforts on the island. This collaboration could include conducting Intensified Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) and other developmental activities to further promote and attain the objectives of the Philippine Cockatoo Conservation Program. Moreover, the possibility of deputizing the security personnel (SCAA) of the private company as SDENROs could also be discussed.

For your information, record and further instruction.

  
LEONARD T. CALUYA







October 19, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

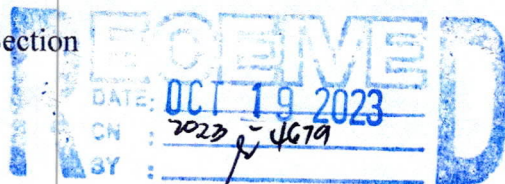
FOR : The Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer

Thru : The Chief, Monitoring and Enforcement Section

FROM : Forest Technician I/Team Leader  
Forest Rangers  
Balabac Sub-Office

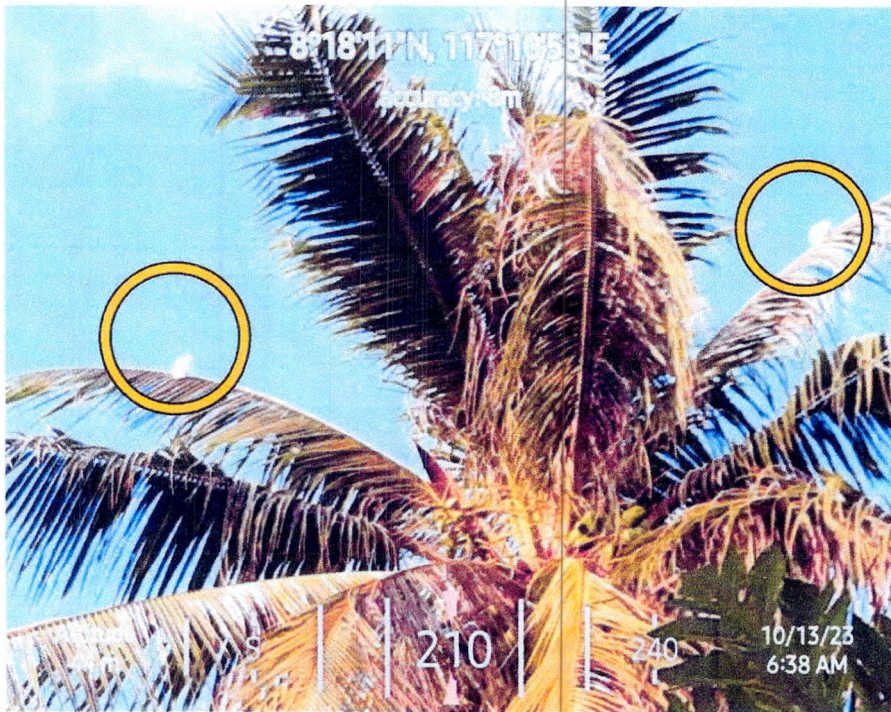
SUBJECT : **CONSERVATION EFFORTS: PATROLLING AND POPULATION COUNTING OF THE ENDANGERED PHILIPPINE COCKATOO ON THE ISLAND OF PANDANAN, BALABAC, PALAWAN**

**OFFICE OF THE CENRO**  
BROOKE'S POINT, PALAWAN



Based on the information available on their website ([www.philippinecockatoo.org](http://www.philippinecockatoo.org)), the Philippine Cockatoo Conservation Program is a species conservation program with the primary objective of preventing the Philippine cockatoo from becoming extinct. Their approach includes various strategies such as nest protection, identifying and safeguarding crucial conservation sites, restoring habitats, educating about conservation, involving local communities, rescuing individual birds, translocation efforts, and establishing conservation breeding programs for potential future reintroduction. The most recent site, **Pandanán in Balabac, Palawan**, is a notable addition to the program.

One of the daily routines of KFI personnel involves the meticulous tracking of Phil. cockatoo populations, aiming to **discern a year-long trend**. During the initial involvement of the DENR team in the cockatoo census on June 2, 2023, we meticulously recorded **80** individuals. During our most recent visit to the island on October 12 and 13, 2023, the DENR team took part in the census, revealing a count of **50** individuals in the afternoon and an



*There are cockatoos freely flying around some houses on the island.*

impressive **131** individuals the following morning. The presence of the cockatoos in residential areas on the island is also quite noticeable (as depicted in Figure 1).

During the entire week, our activities comprised population counting and patrolling the conservation areas of the island.



Hereunder are the details of the conducted activity:

**Date:** October 12-18, 2023

**Patrol Team:**

- 1. The undersigned personnel
- 2. Katala Foundation Inc. personnel: Led by Rene Antonio

**Objectives:**

- Counting and monitoring of Philippine cockatoo population
- The primary objectives were to monitor and patrol the designated areas, thereby ensuring the visibility of law enforcement agencies in safeguarding wildlife.

**Methods:** The patrol was conducted on foot within the conservation areas of the Island Barangay. Patrollers used the Cybertracker app to accurately document their observations, encompassing data related to forest conditions, potential threats, and wildlife (refer to Figure 2). These patrols were closely coordinated with the relevant Barangay authorities. The Philippine Cockatoo counting was performed manually.



Figure 2. Documentation of threats (cutting of tree)

**PATROL OBSERVATIONS**

**Forest Condition:** The forest exhibited varying conditions, ranging from open-cultivated areas to old-growth forest zones

**Threats:**

- The team encountered evidence of tree cutting, with species such as impao, balangihan, alalud, ipil, amugis, and aluyao trees being affected (as depicted in Figure 3).
- The team also apprehended an abandoned lumber, a species of amugis, with a total 176 board feet and immediately deposited it temporarily with the Barangay (Figure 4).



Figure 3: During the patrol, the team documented a total of 16 illegally cut trees.



Figure 4. Documented and deposited temporarily in the Barangay compound of Pandanan.



**Action taken:** Coordination with the concerned LGU and inform them regarding the illegal cutting of trees documented by the team. Punong Barangay Nestor Gabinete was also personally spoken to in order to relay the incidents. The Barangay Captain responded positively to the information (picture below)



## RECOMMENDATIONS

In light of the successful completion of the population counting and habitat monitoring for the cockatoos, with the team having documented a total of 16 incidents of tree cutting and having confiscated abandoned lumber, the team respectfully puts forth the following suggestions:

1. **Enhance Protection:** Given that KFI patrollers hold the designation of Special Deputy Environment and Natural Resources Officer, it is recommended to strengthen the protection efforts on the island.
2. **Coordination with Katala Foundation Inc.:** The Katala Foundation Inc. should consider facilitating collaboration with the Office for Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) to further the objectives of the program.
3. **Coordination and possible partnership with private company:** It is advisable to communicate with the private company to explore the possibility of deputizing their security personnel (SCAA) as Special Deputy Environment and Natural Resources Officers (SDENRO) for enhanced environmental conservation efforts.

For his information and record.

  
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