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THE PUNONG BARANGAY

Barangay Saraza
Brooke's Point, Palawan

Dear Madam/Sir:

Please be informed that on 1 June 2021, CENRO – Brooke's Point confirmed that certain individuals has been conducting sand and gravel operation at Barangay Saraza, Brooke's Point, Palawan without a valid permit.

The above-cited extraction and disposition of sand and gravel materials without any mining and/or transport permit is equivalent to theft of minerals pursuant to Section 103 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7942¹, which provides that:

"Theft of Minerals – Any person extracting minerals and disposing the same without a mining agreement lease, permit, license, or steals mineral or ores or the products thereof from mines or mills or processing plants...xxx"

Hence, in accordance with the powers, duties and functions of the Barangay Chief Executive as stipulated in Section 389, Item No. 9 of the RA No. 7160, the Local Government Code of 1991, we are respectfully requesting your good Office to strictly monitor the sand and gravel activities in your area.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


ENGR. GLENN MARCELLO C. NOBLE
Regional Director

cf: **The Regional Executive Director**
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The PENRO and Concurrent Acting PMRB Chairperson
Provincial Environment and Natural Resource Office
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

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The CENRO
Brooke's Point
Poblacion District I, Brooke's Point, Palawan

The Mayor
Brooke's Point
Municipal Hall, Brooke's Point, Palawan

¹ The Philippine Mining Act of 1995

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