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**MEMORANDUM**

TO : **THE ACTING DIRECTOR**  
Land Management Bureau

FROM : **THE UNDERSECRETARY**  
Field Operations and Environment

SUBJECT : **APPLICATION FOR AREA CLEARANCE BY THE PROVINCIAL  
GOVERNMENT OF PALAWAN FOR THE CORON BAY  
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (40 HECTARES)**

DATE : **DEC 02 2021**

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Forwarded herewith is the Memorandum dated 24 November 2021 of the Regional Executive Director of DENR-MIMAROPA Region regarding the above-mentioned subject.

For appropriate action in accordance with the existing laws, rules and regulations on the matter. Kindly furnish this Office and the parties concerned of the action taken for record and monitoring purposes.

For compliance.

  
ATTY. JUAN MIGUEL T. CUNA, *CESO I*

Encls.: as stated

cc: Office of the Assistant Secretary  
Field Operations – Luzon

The Regional Executive Director  
DENR-MIMAROPA Region  
Roxas Blvd., Ermita, Manila



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

THRU : The Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment  
DENR, Visayas Avenue, Quezon City

ATTENTION : The Director  
Land Management Bureau  
880 F.R. Bldg., Quezon Avenue  
Brgy. Paligsahan, Quezon City

FROM : The Regional Executive Director

SUBJECT : APPLICATION FOR AREA CLEARANCE BY THE  
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF PALAWAN FOR THE  
CORON BAY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (40 HECTARES  
RECLAMATION PROJECT)

Respectfully submitted herewith is the letter request<sup>1</sup> from Hon. Jose Ch. Alvarez, Provincial Governor, Palawan for the issuance of area clearance for the Coron Bay Development Project for the total area of forty (40) hectares located in Barangays Poblacion 2, 3 and 5 of the Municipality of Coron, Province of Palawan.

The said reclamation was carried out thru the Coron Bay Development Project (CBDP) as a joint undertaking of the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA) and the Provincial Government of Palawan (PGP) per Memorandum of Agreement<sup>2</sup> (MOA) dated November 09, 2009.

By virtue of Presidential Decree No. 1084 and Executive Order No. 543 dated June 24, 2006, the PRA approved on October 23, 2009 the said reclamation project thru its Board Resolution No. 4072<sup>3</sup> series of 2009 authorizing the reclamation and development of approximately fifty (50) hectares of foreshore and offshore areas in said locality.

The applicant-proponent completed Phase I of its reclamation project covering 9.7183 hectares and all the documentary requirements were already submitted to your office.

For the completion of the project, the proponent is now requesting for the issuance of area clearance for the remaining forty (40) hectares. In support of its application, the PGP submitted the following documents as required per DENR Administrative Order No. 2018-14, to wit:

1. Sketch Plan;
2. Indicative Site Development Plan to state the usage/purpose of the area, including buffer zone, mini-park development, road side tree-planting or conceptual

<sup>1</sup> Annex "A"

<sup>2</sup> Annex "B"

<sup>3</sup> Annex "C"

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development plan and land use plan including site of identified sources at appropriate scale indicating relative distance to project.

3. Description of the reclamation site – Average depth, boundaries, immediate vicinity, distance from shoreline, existing road/access/egress and ingress, available infrastructure facilities, utilities, e.g. source of power, water and telecommunication, 5-year LGU infrastructure program which will enhance viability of proposed reclamation;
4. Valid sources of fill materials;
5. Reclamation methodology – the procedure/technique in undertaking the activity to include the estimate volume of fill materials, type of materials and sources, containment/retention wall and consolidation of materials;
6. Estimated cost of reclamation and land development including supporting data (i.e. existing labor force, structure and average cost and available equipment and average cost/rentals rates);
7. Proposed funding/financing of the project;
8. Proposed project timetable – reclamation, land development and other related activities;
9. Prevailing market land values of types/uses similar to the proposed land use/s within immediate vicinity duly certified by the local assessor/s and based on Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) zonal valuations;
10. Certification on the status of the area and the land classification of the adjacent land by the CENRO/Implementing PENRO;
11. Geotagged photos showing the panoramic view of the land and adjoining areas including existing landmarks and identifying features;
12. Sanggunian Resolution/s (Municipality/City, Province) authorizing the application for reclamation in case of LGU, or Board of Directors' Resolution in case of Government corporation. In case the applicant is the provincial LGU, the Sangguniang Resolution of the Municipality/City where the proposed relocation is located shall be secured, in addition to the Provincial Board Resolution;
13. Clearances from the concerned agencies, to wit:
  - a. Philippine Reclamation Authority
  - b. Philippine Ports Authority
  - c. Department of Tourism
  - d. Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources
  - e. Department of Public Works and Highways
  - f. Department of Energy



g. Local Government Unit concerned

14. Geohazard Identification Report (GIR) of the area. In a Memorandum<sup>4</sup> dated November 2, 2021, the Mines and Geosciences Bureau endorsed the proposed Reclamation Project of Coron Bay Development Project subject to the following conditions and/or requirements:

- a) A geological site scoping survey/ Geohazard Identification Survey (GIS) shall be conducted by MGB MIMAROPA covering the remaining 40-hectare reclamation area of CBDP; and
- b) Submission of the Engineering, Geological and Geohazard Assessment Report prepared by CBDP for further review and evaluation by MGB MIMAROPA.

15. Report<sup>5</sup> of the Regional Composite Team per RSO No. 340 recommending the issuance of area clearance to the Provincial Government of Palawan for the Coron Bay Development Project.

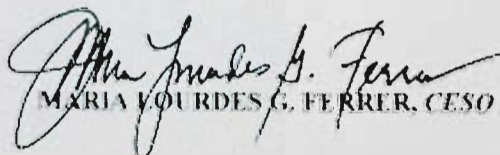
#### LEGAL BASIS

DAO 2018- 14, entitled "Guidelines on the Issuance of Area Clearance for Reclamation Projects and Proclamation/Special Patents over Reclaimed Lands."

#### RECOMMENDATION

IN VIEW OF ALL THE FOREGOING, it is respectfully recommended that the area clearance be issued in favor of the proponent, Provincial Government of Palawan for the Coron Bay Development Project in Barangays Poblacion 2, 3 and 5 in the Municipality of Coron, Province of Palawan.

FOR CONSIDERATION AND FURTHER INSTRUCTION

  
MARIA LOURDES G. FERRER, CESO III

<sup>4</sup> Annex "D"  
<sup>5</sup> Annex "E"

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MIMAROPA Region



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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director  
DENR MIMAROPA Region

FROM : The Members of the Regional Composite Team  
Per RSO No. 340 dated October 5, 2020

SUBJECT : APPLICATION FOR AREA CLEARANCE BY THE  
PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF PALAWAN FOR THE  
CORON BAY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (40 HECTARES  
RECLAMATION PROJECT)

Respectfully submitted herewith is the report of the Regional Composite Team created by virtue of DAO 2018-14<sup>1</sup>, entitled "Guidelines on the Issuance of Area Clearance for Reclamation Projects and Proclamations/ Special Patents over Reclaimed Lands", after series of deliberation on the application for the issuance of area clearance for the Coron Bay Development Project for the total area of forty (40) hectares located in Barangays Poblacion 2, 3 and 5 of the Municipality of Coron, Province of Palawan.

The applicant-proponent completed Phase 1 of its reclamation project covering 9.7183 hectares and all the documentary requirements were already submitted to your office.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND:

1. Letter<sup>2</sup> dated August 24, 2020 from the Governor, Province of Palawan requesting from DENR the issuance of area clearance for the Coron Bay Development Project.
2. Regional Special Order No. 340<sup>3</sup> dated October 5, 2020, "Creation of Regional Composite Team and Technical Secretariat relative to Issuance of Permits, Presidential Proclamations and Special Patents covering Reclamations Projects and Reclaimed Lands."
3. Letter<sup>4</sup> dated October 12, 2020 from the Regional Executive Director in response to the letter-request from the Governor of Palawan.
4. Letter<sup>5</sup> dated November 6, 2020 from the Governor, Province of Palawan submitting the requirements for the issuance of area clearance pursuant to DAO No 2018-14.
5. Memorandum<sup>6</sup> dated November 17, 2020 directed the Chief, Licenses, Patents and Deeds Division to convene the Technical Working Group on Reclamation to review the area clearance of the Province of Palawan pursuant to DAO No. 2018-14.

<sup>1</sup> Annex "A"

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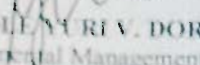
<sup>6</sup> Annex "F"



RECOMMENDATION

IN VIEW OF ALL THE FOREGOING and compliance to the requirements pursuant to DAO 2018-14, it is respectfully recommended that the area clearance be issued in favor of the proponent, Provincial Government of Palawan for the Coron Bay Development Project in Barangays Poblacion 2, 3 and 5 in the Municipality of Coron, Province of Palawan, subject to the submission of Engineering, Geological and Geohazard Assessment Report as required by the Mines and Geosciences Bureau- MIMAROPA


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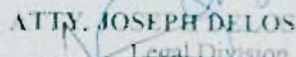
  
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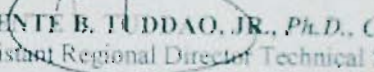
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Note.

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