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18 November 2021

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Undersecretary

Attached Agencies, Mining and Muslim Affairs

Supervising Undersecretary for Forest Management Bureau

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Visayas Ave. Diliman, Quezon City

FROM

The Regional Director

This Office

SUBJECT:

Complaint on the Alleged Illegal Quarrying in Barangays Bato Bato

and Batang-Batang, Narra, Palawan

We are respectfully forwarding the 11 November 2021 Memorandum Report of CENRO - Quezon, which was received by this Office on 17 November 2021, pertaining to the above subject.

Based on the above, the following were noted:

- 1. The complainants, Ms. Sally Ragadio and Mr. Rolly De Leon, were not residents of both Barangays nor quarry operators;
- 2. The attached photos on the alleged illegal quarrying in Barangay Bato-bato were not located in the said Barangay as per Punong Barangay Ernesto B. Ferrer. Further, he denied the allegations that he is involved in any illegal mining operations; and
- 3. Ms. Geraldine Rivera, representatives of Mr. Gary Garcia and Ivy Michelle Trading and Construction, confirmed that the attached photos on the alleged illegal mining operation in Barangay Batang-batang were located in the permit area of Mr. Garcia. However, she claimed that the last operation in the said area was before the expiration of Mr. Garcia's Permit No. CP (PLW) No. 163-3, which was confirmed by Ms. Lolita G. Gapus, Barangay Kagawad of Barangay Batang-batang. She also mentioned that the permit of Mr. Garcia is under renewal.

For the Undersecretary's information and further instruction.

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Presidential Complaint Center Office of the President

The Director

Mines and Geosciences Bureau North Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City The Regional Executive Director

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The PENRO and Concurrent Acting PMRB Chairperson Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

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