



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
**MIMAROPA Region**  
**PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**  
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

November 29, 2021

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director  
DENR – MIMAROPA Region  
1515 L and S Bldg., Roxas Boulevard,  
Ermita, Manila

FROM : The Provincial Environment  
and Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT : **INCIDENT REPORT ON THE APPREHENSION OF FOREST  
PROTECTION OFFICER EDJAY H. ADON AND ARIEL OPATI  
MARTINEZ FOR ALLEGED POSSESSION OF FIREARMS**

Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum from Leo D. Tabernilla, Forest Ranger of CENRO, Taytay, Palawan dated November 29, 2021.

Per report FPO Edjay H. Adon and Ariel O. Martinez were apprehended by Taytay Municipal Police Station together with the Regional Mobile Force Company 4B at around 7pm of November 27, 2021.

According to the report, Forest Ranger Leo R. Tabernilla received a phone call from an informant about a boat loaded with lumbers and will be transported to Cuyo, Palawan anytime from November 26, 2021.

Per further verification, the informant asked for the confidentiality of the information as he believes that the person involved has some protectors.

Forest Ranger Tabernilla is assigned at Forest Product Monitoring Station V located in New Ibajay, El Nido Palawan. His family are residing in Taytay, Palawan. By the time he received the information he was already in Taytay, Palawan. Upon coordination with the undersigned and in the exigency of service I issued a travel order for this important purpose. This prompted him to instruct FPO Adon and Mr. Martinez who is a volunteer employee in their station to get his bag containing his personal belonging. The two were apprehended in So. Lorenzo, Poblacion, Taytay, Palawan. They were riding a DENR issued motorcycle which were likewise impounded at the Municipal Police Station.

Coordination were likewise made with the Provincial Prosecutors Office and it was ascertained that a criminal complaint for violation of RA 10591 or the Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Act was filed thru electronic means.

As of this reporting time, the two personnel apprehended were still detained at the Taytay Municipal Police Station. The Legal Officer assigned in this Office is also extending legal assistance/advise.

Attached is a copy of the news report published by local media in Facebook

This Office is requesting for higher Office assistance and intervention to facilitate the immediate release of the personnel apprehended.

  
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FOR : The Community Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer

THRU : The Chief, Enforcement and Monitoring Section

FROM : Leo D. Tabernilla  
Forest Ranger

**DENR CENRO  
TAYTAY, PALAWAN  
RECEIVED**  
BY: *[Signature]*  
DATE: 11/29/2021 CN 4100

SUBJECT : **INCIDENT REPORT ON THE APPREHENSION OF FPO EDJAY  
HONORIO R. ADON AND ARIEL OPATI MARTINEZ FOR  
ALLEGED POSSESSION OF FIREARMS**

Please be informed that FPO Edjay Honorio Adon and Ariel Opati Martinez were apprehended by the Regional Mobile Force Company-4B and company at around 7:00 p.m. on November 27, 2021. They were apprehended at So. Lorenzo, Bgy. Poblacion, Taytay, Palawan.

Last November 26 at around 1 p.m. I received an information from a concerned citizen. According to the information a boat loaded with lumbers will take off from Calawag, Taytay bound to Cuyo, Palawan anytime. Due to the urgency of the situation the undersigned just requested permission from the OIC CENRO to undertake surveillance and monitoring if the information is true. A travel order was issued to the undersigned for this purpose.

The two were under my supervision and instruction. I ask them to bring my black bag containing my personal belongings from our Forest Product Monitoring Station in Bgy. New Ibajay, El Nido, Palawan. The said personal belonging included two license firearms: I decided to ask them to bring the bag because I have no more time to personally pick it up as I am monitoring the reported transport of undocumented forest product. Per information the persons involved in the transport of lumber are armed and dangerous. Hence for security reason and to protect myself should any untoward incident happen I deemed it necessary to have my licensed firearm with me.

I received a call from Edjay Adon that they were apprehended by the police at 7:00 p.m. of November 27, 2021 for illegal possession of firearm. I personally appeared to the Police Station and coordinated with the police officer to release the apprehended persons. It was not possible and the police detained the two up to this time.

Because of the apprehension, the operation to detect the illegal transport of undocumented lumbers was not pushed thru. The undersigned rushed to the Police Station to provide assistance to the personnel apprehended.

*[Signature]*  
**LEO D. TABERNILLA**





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November 26, 2021

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Community Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer

THRU: The Chief, Enforcement and Monitoring Section

FROM : Leo D. Tabernilla  
Forest Ranger

SUBJECT : **ALLEGED TRANSPORT OF ILLEGAL LUMBERS FROM  
BARANGAY CALAWAG, TAYTAY, PALAWAN**

Respectfully informing this office that the undersigned received an information thru phone call from concerned citizen that a boat loaded with alleged illegal lumbers will be transported anytime on November 26, 2021 from Barangay Calawag, Taytay to Cuyo, Palawan. The alleged operator, crew and owners are equipped with firearms.

Due to the urgency of the situation, may I request permission to conduct surveillance and detection as to the veracity of the information. If the same will be found positive, may I further request that a team be dispatched to conduct the operation.

For information and record.

  
**LEO D. TABERNILLA**



## 2 TAUHAN NG DENR SA TAYTAY ARESTADO SA PAGDADALA NG BARIL

Huli ng awtoridad sa Sitio San Lorenzo, Barangay Poblacion, Taytay, Palawan ang dalawang tauhan o kawani ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources ganap na 7:30 kagabi, ika-27 ng Nobyembre.

Ito ay matapos na makarating sa pulisya ang ulat na mayroong dalawang kalalakihan ang may dalang baril sa bag habang naka-motorsiklo sa lugar.

Agad na naglatag ng checkpoint ang Taytay PNP kasama ang tauhan ng RMFB 4B o Regional Mobile Force Company sa Sitio San Lorenzo at doon ay inaresto sina Ariel Opati Martinez, 29 anyos, DENR volunteer at Edjay Honorio Adon, 25 anyos, Forest Protection Technician ng DENR, Taytay, Palawan.

Iniulat ng Prov. PNP na nakuha sa pangangalaga ng dalawa ang mga sumusunod:

Isang (1) unit Cal 45 pistol, Armscor na may serial number na may magazine at walong (8) bala;  
isang (1) unit 12 gauge shotgun (Pardus), na may serial number , may magazine at may limang (5) bala;



labindalawang (12) bala ng caliber 45; siyam na (9) bala ng 12 gauge shotgun; at isang (1) kutsilyo.

Napag-alaman ng pulisya na ang baril at mga bala ay pagmamay-ari ng isang Leo Del Rosario Tabernalia, kawani ng CENRO-Taytay, Palawan.

Ang dalawang inarestong tauhan ay dinala sa Taytay PNP na ngayo'y iniimbestigahan at posibleng maharap sa paglabag sa Republic Act 10591 o illegal possession of Firearms.

Samantala, nakikipag-ugnayan ang Brigada sa CENRO-Taytay.

 Palawan PPO








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# Forest technician at volunteer ng DENR, inaresto ng Taytay MPS dahil sa pagdadala ng baril

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*Ang mga nakumpiskang baril mula sa isang empleyado at isang volunteer ng DENR sa bayan ng Taytay. (Photo from Palawan Police*



ng isang unit ng caliber 45 pistol na Armscor na may naka-load na walong pirasong bala at isang unit ng 12-gauge shotgun na may naka-load na limang bala.

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Nakumpiska rin sa kanila ang dalawang magazine at 12 piraso ng bala para sa caliber 45 pistol, siyam na piraso ng bala para sa shotgun, at kutsilyo.

Ayon sa PPO, nang beripikahin nila ang mga baril ay natukoy na ito ay pagmamay-ari ng isang residente na nagngangalan na Leo del Rosario Tabernalia na empleyado ng Community Environment and Natural Resources Office ng DENR sa Taytay.

Hanggang sa isinusulat ang balitang ito ay sinabi lamang ng PPO na ang mga ito ay dinala sa Taytay MPS at iniimbestigahan dahil sa paglabag sa Republic Act 10591 o ang Comprehensive Firearms and Ammunition Regulation Act



Isang forest technician at isang volunteer ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) ang inaresto ng awtoridad sa Taytay noong Sabado ng gabi, Nobyembre 27, dahil sa pagdadala ng baril sa Sityo San Lorenzo sa Barangay Poblacion.

Ang mga ito ay kinilala na sina Edjay Honorio Adon, 25, forest protection technician ng DENR sa nasabing bayan at residente ng Brgy. Tumarbong sa Roxas, at Ariel Opati Martinez, 29, volunteer ng DENR at residente ng Brgy. Bacungan sa Puerto Princesa.

Ayon sa spot report ng Police Provincial Office (PPO) na inilabas sa mga mamamahayag noong Linggo, Nobyembre 28, sa pamamagitan ni P/Maj. Ric Ramos, inaresto ang mga ito dahil sa sumbong ng isang concerned citizen hinggil sa dalawang kalalakihan na may dalang baril sa duffel bag at nakasakay sa pula na Honda motorcycle.

Bilang pagtugon sa sumbong, agad na tumungo ang mga pulis ng Taytay Municipal Police Station (MPS) at