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Mr. Iber Chou

Barangay Pulot Center, Sofronio Española
Palawan

Dear Mr. I. Chou:

Please be informed that on 07 September 2021, CENRO – Brooke's Point confirmed that you have been conducting sand and gravel operation without a mining permit in Malalong River, Barangay Pulot Center, Sofronio Española Palawan.

The above-cited extraction and disposition of sand and gravel materials without the necessary mining 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, you are hereby ordered to immediately **CEASE AND DESIST** from conducting sand and gravel activities in the said area. This is without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges against you with the proper court for violation of the applicable provisions of RA No. 7942.

Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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Regional Director

The Regional Executive Director
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MIMAROPA Region

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¹ The Philippine Mining Act of 1995

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