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31 January 2022

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The PENRO and
Concurrent Acting PMRB Chairperson
Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City
Province of Palawan

FROM : The Regional Director
This Office

SUBJECT : Investigation Report on the Complaint of Mr. Roberto Contreras against the Sand and Gravel Extraction of Samariniana Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative/Mr. Carlito Valdestamon in Brooke's Point, Palawan

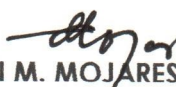
This refers to the attached Memorandum Report dated 14 December 2021 by CENRO – Brooke's Point, regarding the above subject.

Based on the above, the PMRB – Palawan was requested to clarify the exact location of the permit area under Commercial Sand and Gravel Permit No. CP (PLW) 259-3 granted to the Samariniana Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative (SFMC) c/o Mr. Carlito Valdestamon.

Please note that on 22 September 2021, a Cease and Desist Order was issued by this Office to SFMC for conducting sand and gravel operation outside its permit area (copy attached).

In this regard, this Office is requesting for an update on the CENRO's request for clarification as per 14 December 2021 Memorandum Report.

For the PENRO's action, please.


EDWIN M. MOJARES, Ph.D.

Enc'l: As stated

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

The CENRO
Brooke's Point, Palawan
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
M. Rodriguez St., Poblacion District I,
Brooke's Point, Palawan

The ENRO
Environment and Natural Resources Office
Provincial Government of Palawan

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Memorandum
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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MIMAROPA Region
COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE
Brooke's Point, Palawan

December 14, 2021

MEMORANDUM

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

THRU : The Regional Director
MGB MIMAROPA

THRU : The Provincial Environment and
Natural Resources Officer and Chairman,
Provincial Mining Regulatory Board (PMRB)

FROM : The Community Environment and
Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT : INVESTIGATION REPORT ON THE COMPLAINT OF MR.
ROBERTO CONTRERAS REGARDING THE ALLEGED
PUTTING OF BOUNDARY MARKER AND CONTINUOUS
EXTRACTION OF SAND AND GRAVEL WITHIN HIS LOT
WITHOUT PERMISSION AND ADJACENT LOT CONSENT
BY MR. CARLITO VADESTAMON LOCATED AT BRGY.
SAMARINIANA, BROOKE'S POINT, PALAWAN

DENR PENRO
PALAWAN RECORDS
RECEIVED

BY: *[Signature]*
DATE: 12-22-2021 71-1252

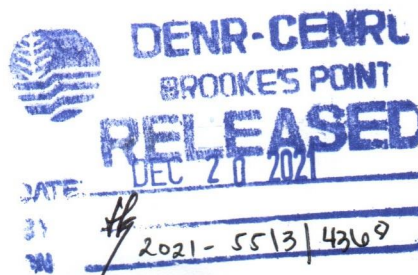
Respectfully forwarded is the investigation report dated November 29, 2021 of personnel of this office regarding the above cited subject.

Please be informed that series of investigation/inspection was conducted in coordination with the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development Staff (PCSDS) and MENRO-LGU Brooke's Point, Palawan with several findings/observations for further clarification with the PMRB, hence the undersigned concurs with the recommendation contained therein.

For his information, further evaluation/instruction.

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22 September 2021

Mr. Carlito Valdestamon

Samariana Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative
Brooke's Point, Palawan

Dear Mr. C. Valdestamon:

Please be informed that on 09 July 2021, CENRO – Brooke's Point confirmed that Samariana Farmers Multi-Purpose Cooperative (Samariana) has been conducting sand and gravel operation outside their permit area under Commercial Sand and Gravel Permit No. CP (PLW) 259-03.

The above-cited extraction and disposition of sand and gravel materials outside the 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, Samariana is hereby ordered to immediately **CEASE AND DESIST** from conducting sand and gravel activities outside their permit area. This is without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges against the company with the proper court for violation of the applicable provisions of RA No. 4942.

Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,


GLENN MARCELO C. NOBLE
Regional Director

cc: **The Director**
Presidential Complaint Center
Office of the President
Malacanang Complex, San Miguel, Manila
Ticket Reference No. G2020702-774-24

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Mr. Richard M. Lopez
Complainant
Brig. Saraza, Brooke's Point, Palawan

¹ The Philippine Mining Act of 1995

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