



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

January 26, 2022

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MEMORANDUM

**TO :** The Community Environment  
and Natural Resources Officer  
Brookes Point, Palawan

**FROM :** The OIC-Provincial Environment  
and Natural Resources Officer

**SUBJECT :** **LETTER OF ATTY ROBERT CHAN RE: COMPLAINT FOR  
ILLEGAL CUTTING OF MANGROVES IN BARANGAY  
CATAGUPAN, BALABAC, PALAWAN**

Referred to you is the letter dated January 25, 2022 of Atty. Robert Chan, Executive Director, PNNI.

In his letter, Atty Chan is informing about a concern of Molbog Tribal community members in Sitio Silom-silom, Barangay Catagupan, Balabac, Palawan. Allegedly, there are more or less 800 poles of mangroves intentionally cut to be use for fencing. Among the identified personalities involved are Antonio Ch Alvarez, Noah Alvarez Webb, SB Member Rabbana Ami, Eddie Gabinete.

You are hereby instructed to conduct investigation immediately. Submit your findings and recommended actions duly supported with geotagged pictures and or affidavits and other evidences. Should your findings warrant the filing of criminal complaint against those found violating our existing regulations, you are likewise instructed to file necessary criminal complaint. Submit your report on this case within fifteen (15) days upon receipt of this Memorandum thru electronic mail.

Furthermore, please coordinate with the complaining party as well as with the barangay officials of Barangay Catagupan in the conduct of investigation.

For guidance and strict compliance.

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