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**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR : The Regional Executive Directors**  
**DENR Regions I-XIII, CAR, and NCR**

**FROM : The OIC-Director**

**SUBJECT : UPDATE ON TARGETING REGIONAL INVESTIGATIONS FOR**  
**POLICING OPPORTUNITIES AND DEVELOPMENT (TRIPOD)**  
**PROJECT'S COUNTER TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME**  
**(CTOC) TRAINING**

The World Wide Fund (WWF) for Nature Philippines, is executing the Targeting Regional Investigations for Policing Opportunities and Development (TRIPOD) Project, a Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL)-funded, with International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) and Freeland Foundation, a Thailand-based Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), as the primary holder of the project. This initiative is being supported by DENR-Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB).

The Project aims to combat wildlife trafficking in selected regions, namely: Malaysia, Indonesia, and Philippines through a) improving counter wildlife trafficking enforcement; b) reduce wildlife trafficking in target areas; and c) enhance care and repatriation of confiscated animals. The abovementioned regions were specifically targeted due to its high wildlife biodiversity, used as wildlife transit points, and high numbers of seized cases.

Pursuantly, the Counter Transnational Organized Crime (CTOC) face to face training, that will accommodate 30 participants, will be held on September 5-9, 2022. The training venue is still subject to finalization. A staff from our partner organization, Tanggol Kalikasan will communicate with your Office to inform your personnel (only those who submitted vetting form) that he/she passed the Leahy vetting process and eligible to participate in the training.

Further, we wish to inform that due to conflicting schedules with other regional TRIPOD team, the CTOC online training will not push through. Instead, the TRIPOD project will provide an e-learning platform (self-paced). The TRIPOD project will provide more detailed information about the e-learning platform in the succeeding days.

We apologize for the inconvenience it may cause to your respective schedules.

For information and consideration.

  
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