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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The PENRO
Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office
Odiongan, Romblon

FROM : The Regional Director
This Office

SUBJECT : Alleged Construction of Roads and Mining Facilities in
Sitio Talaba, Barangays Taclobo and Espana, San
Fernando, Sibuyan Island, Romblon

This refers to the attached copy of the 17 June 2022 Letter of Ms. Helly Y. Asoy, regarding the above subject.

Ms. H. Y. Asoy alleged that the above-cited construction is not covered with a permit/s and has affected the protected areas and buffer zones of Mt. Guiting-Guiting National Park and the easement in shorelines and mangrove areas.

Please be advised that this Office has no jurisdiction if the area involved is outside any Mineral Production Sharing Agreement contract area, and the issue does not involve extraction of minerals or exploration activities.

In this regard, this Office is respectfully requesting for the conduct of investigation, render appropriate actions to address the allegations stated therein, and furnish us a copy of the report. Our embedded personnel assigned in the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office – Romblon may be assigned in this undertaking.

For the PENRO's action, please.


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Encl: As stated

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**"MINING SHALL BE PRO-PEOPLE AND PRO-ENVIRONMENT
IN SUSTAINING WEALTH CREATION AND IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE."**

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Good day!

I am writing this letter to raise awareness to a particular issue in Sibuyan Island. It has come to our attention that there is an ongoing road construction happening in the island that leads to the sea shore for a proposed pier. However, despite its location in a private property, it is evident that there are no permits issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) or even the local level. The construction of bunkhouses, the destruction of vegetation, and even clearing of the site must be investigated immediately.

This site is located in the areas of Sitio Talaba in Barangay Taclobo and Barangay Espana, both of which are in San Fernando Sibuyan. This have affected the protected areas and the buffer zone of Mt. Guiting Guiting National Park and also the easement in shorelines and mangrove areas. We have reason to believe this is in line with the proposed mining site in the same area, which also has been shut off to prying eyes under the guise of "private property".

We are urgently requesting DENR officials, especially from the Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB), Environmental Management Bureau (EMB), and Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB), to investigate in the matter. It would also be appreciated if they make policy recommendations to the local government units involved.

We hope to hear from you the soonest.

Helly Y. Asoy

A concerned Sibuyan local