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MIMAROPA Region

PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

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June 3, 2022

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region

1515 L & S Bldg., Roxas, Blvd., Ermita, Manila

**FROM** 

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

8888 COMPLAINT ON ALLEGED CUTTING/GATHERING OF

LUMBER AND UNATHORIZED FURNITURE MAKING AT

SITIO TIONDONAN, ROXAS, PALAWAN

Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum dated May 23, 2022 from CENRO Roxas, Palawan relative the above subject.

Per memorandum, CENRO Roxas conducted the investigation and inspection on May 20, 2022 more or less 1:30 P.M. on the above-mentioned issue. Report shows that furniture shop of Mr. Richard Henderson is just a small space annexed to his house with old tools which intended for small scale furniture making and not for commercial use.

According to Mr. Henderson, he only cater furniture making if there is individual who wants to avail his services for labor only and the wood materials were provided by the clients that derived from planted trees that comes from legitimate plantations and sometimes fruit trees. During inspection, no cutting of trees in the area and no stock of lumbers seen in the annexed & small furniture shop of Mr. Henderson.

In view of the above, CENRO Roxas will continue the conduct of investigation and monitoring in the area including IEC activities for information and dissemination aspect.

For information and record.

FELIZARDO B. CAYATOC

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## Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources

## Region IV- MIMAROPA COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

Barangay III (Poblacion), Roxas, Palawan Contact No. 09171606578 / 09175028647

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May 23, 2022

DENR PENRO

### **MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** 

The Head, DENR Action Center/Hotline

Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

The Regional Executive Director

MIMAROPA Region

THRU

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

FROM

The Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Roxas, Palawan

**SUBJECT** 

8888 COMPLAINT ON ALLEGED CUTTING/GATHERING OF

LUMBER AND UNAUTHORIZED FURNITURE MAKING

This pertains with the complaint of Mr. Romerson Matienso, dated May 16, 2022 that landed in DENR Action Center and referred to this Office regarding the alleged cutting/gathering of lumber using unregistered chainsaw of a certain person with a furniture shop without license to operate at Sitio Tiondonan, Barangay Sandoval, Roxas, Palawan

Please be informed that this Office dispatched a team to Barangay Sandoval, Roxas, Palawan on May 20, 2022 at about 1:30 in the afternoon to conduct investigation, inspection and verification on the said reported illegal activities allegedly perpetrated by a certain furniture maker named Richard Henderson.

Foremost, the team had coordinated with the Chairman of the said Barangay to pay courtesy and to inquire on any illegitimate activity and/or operation of Mr. Henderson, but the response is negative.

Upon reaching the furniture shop of Mr. Richard Henderson, the area is just a small space annexed to their house with old tools which is seemingly used for small scale furniture making activity and noticeably not in a commercial scale and only caters when there is a patron who wants to avail his services for labor only. Accordingly, the patron/client is the one providing wood materials which usually derived from planted trees in legitimate plantations and fruit trees. In a plain view, when the team inspected the area and vicinity, there was no file of stocked lumber found in the area.

It revealed in the investigation that the complainant and Mr. Henderson are related by blood (first cousin) but due to family dispute and misunderstanding, they accordingly became unfriendly to each other and this might have triggered the above complainant to report the furniture making activity of the latter to our office and even implicating DENR personnel to make his allegation more profound to attract attention and for urgently of action.

Notwithstanding, our Office will pursue further investigation and continue to monitor, patrol and expand our IEC work on the subject area. Update report will follow.

Attached are the following:

- 1. Investigation report of our Monitoring and Enforcement personnel; and
- 2. Copy of Email transmission to Mr. Romerson Matienso with attached letter.

For information and record

DENR-GENRO ROXAS

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Republic of the Philippines

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

MIMAROPA Region

PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

May 19, 2022

### MEMORANDUM

TO

The Community Environment

and Natural Resources Officer

Roxas, Palawan

**FROM** 

The Provincial Environment

and Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

8888 COMPLAINT ON ALLEGED CUTTING/GATHERING OF

LUMBER AND UNAUTHORIZED FURNITURE MAKING

This Office received a referral from DENR Action Center from a concerned citizen. The identity of the informant including his email will be kept confidential. The informant alleges that:

"...actually di lang pansinin po yong lugar kung saan nakakakuha ng good lumber ang isa sa mga gumagawa ng upuan po sa Sitio Tiondonan, Sandoval, Roxas, Palawan na walang license to operate yong chainsaw at the same time po, sila rin ang gumagawa ng furniture almost two years na rin po nilang ginagawa nagkaroon lang po ako ng awareness kasi nung Odette po isa kami sa mga tinamaan ng bagyo at malaki po yong baha. Ang pagkakaalam ko may connection sila sa DENR Roxas kaya ang madalas na akyat nila hapon at umaga at kapag holiday at weekend."

In view of the above, you are hereby instructed to assign competent personnel to conduct discreet investigation on that serious allegation and take necessary appropriate action immediately. Please submit report within 72 hours upon receipt hereof. Further, if the allegation on the involvement of some DENR employees is positive, give your categorical recommendation/s.

For strict compliance.

For the PENRO:

JOHNNY P. LILANG
OIC Chief, Technical Services Division
Office In-Charge

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May 23, 2022

#### **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

The Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Roxas, Palawan

THRU

The Chief, MES

FROM

The Investigating Forest Officers

Patrol Sector II

SUBJECT

8888 COMPLAINT ON ALLEGED CUTTING/GATHERING OF

LUMBER AND UNAUTHORIZED FURNITURE MAKING

This is in connection with the complaint of Mr. Romerson Matienso landed in DENR Action Center on alleged cutting/gathering of lumber using unregistered chainsaw of a certain person with a furniture shop without license to operate.

Please be informed that the undersigned proceeded to Sitio Tiondonan, Barangay Sandoval, Roxas, Palawan on May 20, 2022 at about 1:30 in the afternoon to conduct investigation, inspection and verification on the said illegal activities allegedly perpetrated by a furniture maker, Mr. Richard Henderson.

The team coordinated with the Barangay Chairman, Leopoldo Gabuco, for the purpose and ask some information on the possible illegitimate action and/or operation of Mr. Henderson, but accordingly, he has not noticed some observable illicit forest activity within his Barangay or possessing a chainsaw. As to his furniture shop, he said that it is just a sideline activity from farming and not for commercial, not even noticeable and could hardly be called a shop as it is just a small space in his house. It is not operating regularly because they are only making furniture when there is a patron who wants to avail his services for labor only and the patron is the one providing wood materials which usually derived from planted trees in legitimate plantations and fruit trees.

After coordination and investigation with the Barangay Chairman, the team on the same date, proceeded to the said furniture shop of Mr. Richard Henderson to inspect and verify. We observed the area and the vicinities of their residential house and the small space annexed to their house to be the subject furniture shop of Mr. Henderson as reported with their old tools and 2 small tables in it and no file of stocked lumber can be found and not even a presence of fresh trace of furniture making operation.

As per our investigation, information surfaced that Mr. Richard Henderson is a first cousin of Mr. Romerson Matienso. And accordingly, Mr. Romerson Matienso is living at Puerto Princesa City whose parents are living at ar flung Barangay Banbanan, Taytay, Palawan and very faraway from Sitio Tiondonan, Sandoval, Roxas, Palawan which could rarely be certain that his reported information are well-founded.

Further, per our investigation, there is an information that there are misunderstanding between Mr. Matienso and Mr. Henderson because of the dispute of their schooling sons.

In view of the forgoing, the complaint must be only an exercise of reprisal of their family feud and just implicating DENR personnel to make his allegation more profound to catch an attention.

ALVIN UANORDURO

Forest Ranger

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## PHOTO DOCUMENTATION





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## 8888 COMPLAINT ON ALLEGED CUTTING/GATHERING OF LUMBER AND UNAUTHORIZED FURNITURE MAKING

1 message

R4B CENRO Roxas Palawan <cenroroxaspalawan@denr.gov.ph>

Wed, May 25, 2022 at 5:03 PM

To: rmatiensobmb88@gmail.com

Good day,

Please see attached file.

Thank you

PABLO L. CRUZ CENRO

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Barangay III (Poblacion), Roxas, Palawan Contact No. 09171606578 / 09175028647

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May 25, 2022

Mr. Romerson Matienso rmatiensobmb88@gmail.com

Dear Sir:

Greetings!

Please be informed that upon receipt of instruction from the higher office re: the matter, we immediately dispatched personnel from our office to investigate the said case on May 20, 2022 in the area mentioned in your complain.

The investigation report from our personnel disclosed a nil and or negative findings as they did not find traces of tree cutting in the subject area.

That accordingly, there were remnants of old saw kerf in the backyard of the person being complaint of but this are very old ones and no new sawing was observed. Further, the person being complaint of admitted that he is making furniture based on request of some clients and the wood being used are mostly from planted and fruit trees from private plantation. He stated further that he is not involved in any form of tree cutting in the area. Nonetheless, our office will continue to monitor and patrol the said area.

We trust that you are properly informed.

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The Regional Executive Director DENR MIMAROPA

The PENR Officer Puerto Princesa City

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Very truly yours,

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