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**HON. KARLO A.B. NOGRALES**

Cabinet Secretary

Office of the Cabinet Secretary

Malacañang, Manila

Dear **Cabinet Secretary Nograles**:

Greetings from the Forest Management Bureau.

This has reference to the 29<sup>th</sup> Meeting dated 16 February 2022 of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Unified Implementation and Monitoring of Rehabilitation and Recovery Projects and Programs in the Yolanda Corridor. Discussion during the meeting includes the Yolanda Permanent Housing Project (YPHP) in Brgy. San Nicolas, Coron, Palawan which falls within the Busuanga Pasture Reserve (BPR) area, which is reserved as such pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 1387, s. 1975.

During the said meeting, it was mentioned that the construction of the housing project within Brgy. San Nicolas, Coron, Palawan was put on hold pursuant to our letter request dated 11 November 2021, until such time the authenticity and legality of the title have been proven, and the impending issues and concerns on the matter were already resolved.

Pursuant to this matter, please be informed that the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is exerting its efforts to resolve the issues and provide legal and science-based recommendations on the proposed housing project.

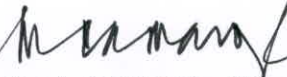
The DENR MIMAROPA Region has conducted an investigation on TCT No. T-8335 and submitted a report dated 07 January 2022. Subsequently, the Forest Management Bureau (FMB) has conducted a suitability and hazard risk analysis of the YPHP in Coron, Palawan using the Geographic Information System (GIS). The said report of DENR MIMAROPA and the GIS analysis of FMB were already forwarded to the Office of the Undersecretary for Legal, Administration, Human Resources and Legislative Affairs for review and consideration in determining the authenticity and legality of the subject matter title.

Currently, the FMB, together with the concerned DENR Offices, are in close coordination to finalize and submit the result of the investigation and analysis of the YPHP within the BPR.

Rest assured that this Office will remain steadfast in its duty of enforcing laws, rules, and regulations related to the administration of Busuanga Pasture Reserve.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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