November 27, 2019

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Director

Forest Management Bureau

ATTENTION

The Chief, Forest Land Use and

Allocation Section

FROM

The OIC-PENR Officer

SUBJECT

REQUEST FOR STATUS OF OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES (OLP) NO. 2 (BODEGA AND PORT FACILITIES SITE) OF MARCOPPER

MINING CORPORATION LOCATED AT BRGY. BALOGO, STA.

CRUZ, MARINDUQUE

This pertains to the ongoing activity of this Office related to the inventory of all tenurial instruments issued within our administrative jurisdiction.

One of the tenurial instruments issued by Forest Management Bureau (FMB) sometime in 1969 is Other Lawful Purposes No. 2 (Bodega and Port Facilities Site) in favor of Marcopper Mining Corporation (MMC) with an area of 17.655 hectares located at Brgy. Balogo, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque.

Based on records, the said tenurial instrument had expired on June 30, 1994. An application for renewal was also filed in 1994 and accordingly it was forwarded by your Office to then DENR Secretary Victor O. Ramos for his consideration/approval under Memorandum dated January 16, 1996. However, our Office is bereft of any record about the status of said area and any information whether the OLP No. 2 was renewed or not. While this Office was conducting field inspection, it was found out that the area covered by the expired lease contract (OLP no. 2) is still occupied by Marcopper Mining Corporation (MMC). Further, said warehouse is reported to have stored hazardous chemicals despite it is already old and abandoned.

Relative thereto, may we request status of subject OLP No. 2 (Bodega and Port Facilities Site) issued to Marcopper Mining Corporation located at Brgy. Balogo, Sta. Cruz, Marinduque. The data to be gathered will serve as our basis in rendering necessary actions to those expired or delinquent tenurial instruments holders within our jurisdiction.

For your information, consideration and appropriate action.

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The Regional Executive Director DENR-MIMAROPA Region