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10 May 2022

The Punong Barangay
Barangay San Nicolas
Coron, Palawan

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is to respectfully clarify that the 28 April 2022 letter (copy attached) from this Office was meant for Mr. Ricardo Nacachi, former Punong Barangay of Maglambay, Busuanga.

This Office is, therefore, requesting the Punong Barangay to assist the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in monitoring illegal mining activities in Barangay San Nicolas, Coron, Palawan.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


EDWIN M. MOJARES, Ph.D.
OIC - Regional Director

Enc'l: As stated

cf: **The Regional Executive Director**
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MIMAROPA Region

The PENRO and Concurrent Acting PMRB Chairperson
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Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

The Mayor - Coron
Office of the Mayor
Coron, Palawan

The CENRO - Coron
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Barangay 5, Calamianes Island, Coron, Palawan

The PG-ENRO, Palawan
Provincial Mining Regulatory Board Office
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Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

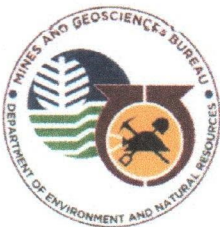
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28 April 2022

The Punong Barangay

Barangay San Nicolas

Coron, Palawan

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please be informed that on 23 March 2022, CENRO – Coron confirmed that you previously extracted sand and gravel materials for the National Housing Authority housing project in Barangay San Nicolas, Coron, Palawan without a valid mining permit.

The above-cited extraction and disposition of sand and gravel materials without any mining permit is equivalent to theft of minerals pursuant to Section 103 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7942¹, **which provides that:**

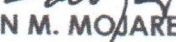
***"Theft of Minerals** – Any person extracting minerals and disposing the same without a mining agreement lease, permit, license, or steals mineral or ores or the products thereof from mines or mills or processing plants..xxx"*

Hence, the Barangay is advised to refrain from further conducting sand and gravel extraction in the area until the necessary mining permit has been secured.

Furthermore, the Barangay should rehabilitate the previous sand and gravel extraction area to reduce or prevent the detrimental effects of flood waters.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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¹ The Philippine Mining Act of 1995

