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**Mr. Jimmy Mandap**  
Barangay Guadalupe  
Coron, Palawan

**Dear Mr. J. Mandap:**

Please be informed that on 03 May 2022, CENRO – Coron confirmed that you extracted sand and gravel materials in Labangan River, Sitio Abaca, Brgy. Guadalupe, Coron, Palawan without a valid mining permit.

The above-cited extraction and disposition of sand materials without a mining permit even within a private property is equivalent to theft of minerals pursuant to Section 103 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7942<sup>1</sup>, **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, you are hereby ordered to immediately **CEASE AND DESIST** from conducting sand and gravel extraction in the area without a valid mining permit. This is without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges against you with the proper court for violation of the applicable provisions of RA No. 4942.

Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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

cc: **The Regional Executive Director**  
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**The PENRO and Concurrent Acting PMRB Chairperson**  
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Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
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Ground Flr., PEO Building, Banciao-Banciao  
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**The CENRO - Coron**  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
Calle Nueva, Coron, Palawan

**The Mayor – Coron**  
Office of the Mayor  
Coron, Palawan

**The Punong Barangay**  
Barangay Guadalupe, Coron, Palawan

<sup>1</sup> The Philippine Mining Act of 1995



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