



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Region IV- MIMAROPA
COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

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May 23, 2022

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.

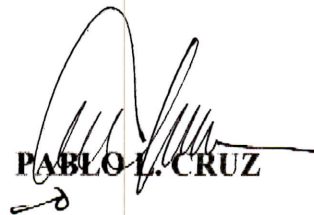
It revealed in the investigation that the complainant and Mr. Henderson are related by blood (first cousin) but due to family dispute and misunderstanding, they accordingly became unfriendly to each other and this might have triggered the above complainant to report the furniture making activity of the 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


PABLO L. CRUZ

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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Community Environment and
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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.


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1 message

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Wed, May 25, 2022 at 5:03 PM

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Good day,

Please see attached file.

Thank you

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PABLO L. CRUZ
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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.

Very truly yours,


PABLO L. CRUZ
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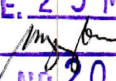
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