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8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline

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Head of Agency :	N/A
Agency :	Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Agency Address :	N/A
Attention (Focal Person) :	USEC. Marilou G. Erni

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 6[1], s. 2016, may we respectfully transmit the following concern received through the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline:

Date:	11 August 2023
Name of Client:	Romeo T. Melnocan
Address:	Sitio Bagong Sikat, Calasaguen, Brooke's point, Palawan
Contact Details:	09058359163 melnocanromeo2@gmail.com
Nature of call:	2023 - Environmental Practices
Subject:	Alleged Environmental Problems Posed by the Mining Firms in Barangay Barung Barung, Brooke's Point, Palawan

Details:

Ma'am/Sir, ako po si Romeo T. Melnocan na Panlima sa Sitio Bagong Sikat, Barangay Barung Barung, Brooke's Point, Palawan. Pinanganak noong Marso 5, 1966, 57 taong gulang. Ako po ay isang lalaki at ang contact number ko ay 09058359163 at ang aking email address ay melnocanromeo022@gmail.com. Sa ngalan nang aking mga kasamahan bilang isang Panlima, nais ko pong ipabatid sa inyo ang mga reklamo at hinaing ng aking mga kasamahang katutubo na aking nasasakupan. Dahil sa walang tigil na pagmimina sa aming lupaing ninuno. Sa kabila ng aming pagtutol sa pamamagitan ng pagra-rally ng mahabang panahon kami po ay hindi pa naliwan at hindi pa rin kami nabigyan ng kasagutan. Ayaw namin ang mina sa aming bayan. Ayaw po naming makalbo at matuluyang masira ang aming kagubatan, at ito ay sakop ng ancestral domain. Mayaman na kami sa agrikultura at hindi na kailangan ang mina sa aming bayan. Dahil sa agrikultura nakapagpatapos kami ng aming mga anak sa kolehiyo. Napakaganda ng aming bayan, malawak na kagubatan, virgin forest at sakop ng Protected Landscape area. Ngunit bakit ito ay sinimulang kalbuhin ng mga minahan lalo na ang Ipilan Nickel Corporation. At nagsimula na rin ang CalmIa at marami pang kumpanya ng minahan na gustong sumira at kalbuhin ang likas na yaman ng aming bayan. Kami po ay nanawagan at humingi ng tulong sa inyong tanggapan upang mabigyang pansin ang aming hinaing. Ninais naming mapatigil ng lubusan ang pagmimina sa aming bayan. Apektado na po ang aming kabuhayan. Labis na kaming nahirapan sa aming mga pananim at halos wala na kaming aanihin. Sana po ay dinggin na po ninyo ang aking hinaing na ito na ipatigil na sana ang ginagawang pagbubungkal ng lupa at ang pagpuputol ng libo libong higanting puno. Ang minahan po ang nagkalbo at nagsira ng aming kagubatan. At hindi kaming mga katutubo dahil ito ay likas na bigay ng Dios at nararapat lang naming alagaan pagyamanin pa ang bigay ng Dios. Sana'y matulungan niyo po kaming mapaalis ang mga companya ng minahan sa aming bayan ng Brooke's Point, Palawan. Maraming salamat po at gabayan po sana kayo ng mapagpalang Diyos amang lumikha ng sanlibutan.

Lubos na gumagalang,
ROMEO T. MELNOCAN
PANLIMA

(This concern was also endorsed to the Department of the Interior and Local Government Mimaropa, LGU of Brooke's Point, Palawan)

Note: This concern has been lodged through the 8888 Email.

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Please be reminded of Section 5 of EO No. 6, which states that "a citizen's concern lodged through any of the communication channels shall have a concrete and specific action within 72 hours from the receipt of the concern by the proper government agency or instrumentality".

Kindly send your reply directly to the concerned person/entity, copy furnished the 8888 Portal thru your agency 8888 Focal Team, citing the above ticket reference number. Thank you very much.

"Institutionalizing the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline and Establishing the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Center", under the direction and supervision of the Office of the Executive Secretary.

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