

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): Maria Matilda A. Gaddi

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 6¹, s. 2016, may we respectfully transmit the following concern received through the 8888 Citizens' Complaint Hotline:

Date: 3 February 2023

Name of Client: N/A
Address: N/A
Contact Details: N/A

N/A N/A

Nature of call: Complaint Against Private Individuals/institutions

Subject: Complaint Regarding Illegal Construction And Operation Of Port

Owned By Altai Mining Company In San Fernando, Romblon

Details:

"May reklamo ako tungkol sa illegal construction and operation ng port owned by Altai Mining Company na located in San Fernando, Romblon. According sa permitting office ng Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) sa Romblon ay wala pa silang permit na mag-construct ng port and cutting tree pero nag-operate na sila ng port at nagpadala rin ng notice of violation ang DENR and copy furnish din ang Mayor ng San Fernando, Romblon na si Nanette Tansingco. Nagpadala na ng sulat sa tanggapan ng Mayor namin dito last January 2023 ang DENR pero hanggang ngayon ay wala pa rin sagot si Mayor tungkol sa violation sa pag-construct ng port. Nagpadala rin ng letter ang grupo ng anti-mining kay Governor Jose Riano last January 30, 2023 at sinasabi niya na walang papel ang dumaan sa tanggapan niya tungkol sa illegal operation ng port. May dalawang barko rin ang naka-dock sa port at pinakikiusapan din ni Mayor ang mga tao na padaanin ang mga truck na may dalang putol na puno at ang ibang truck naman ay lupa ang laman na ilang metric tons din ang laman. Ang asawa ni Mayor ay naging sub-contractor ng port at siya rin ang nagsu-supply ng truck sa mining. Nagkakasakitan na rin sa lugar dahil mayroon din mga tao na nasaktan sa lugar at involve ang Philippine National Police (PNP) sa nangyari dahil sa pinipigilan ng mga tao ang pagdaan ng truck since ang PNP ang tagabantay sa exit point ng port. Nagkaroon na rin ng suspension ang mining na ito at na-lift lang ang suspension after ng election nitong 2022. Ang gusto lang namin ay magkaroon ng inspection sa area na kasama ang taga DENR, Local Government Unit (LGU) and other Non Government Organizations (NGOs) office ng kung maaari ay may kasamang media dahil hindi napapasok sa loob at para magkaroon din ng transparency."

Note: This was also endorsed to the DILG MIMAROPA and PNP

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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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