

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director

1515 DENR by the Bay Building, Roxas Boulevard,

Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU: The Assistant Regional Director

for Technical Services

Licenses, Patents, and Deeds Division

MIMAROPA Region

FROM: The OIC, PENR Officer

Odiongan, Romblon

SUBJECT: REPORT ON THE INVESTIGATION OF THE ALLEGED

ILLEGAL CONSTRUCTION OF PIER IN SITIO BATO, BRGY.

ESPAŇA, SAN FERNANDO, ROMBLON

Respectfully submitting the report on the conducted investigation on the alleged illegal construction of pier by Altai Philippines Mining Corporation (APMC) at Sitio Bato, Brgy. España, San Fernando, Romblon.

Also attached are the following pertinent documents: (a) letter dated January 18, 2023 from the OIC-PENRO; (b) letter dated January 17, 2023 and December 22, 2022 from LGU San Fernando; and (c) geo-tagged photos.

For information and further instructions.

ARNOLDO ATBLAZA, JR

Cc

The Regional Director, Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) MIMAROPA
The Regional Director, Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) MIMAROPA



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Odiongan, Romblon

THRU

OIC, Sibuyan Sub-Station &

Concurrent PASu, MGGNP

FROM

Forester I Rolly F. Morales et. Al.

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE INVESTIGATION ON THE ALLEGED

ILLEGAL CONSTRUCTION OF PIER IN SITIO BATO.

BRGY. ESPANA, SAN FERNANDO, ROMBLON.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

That on January 13, 2023, the duty personnel of DENR Sibuyan Sub-Station in Guard Post 3, Brgy. Espana, San Fernando, Romblon received a verbal complaint from a concerned citizen about the alleged illegal construction of pier and other activities of Altai Phil. Mining Corporation. FT I Ernie L. Forcadas action immediately the said report and take photos the alleged illegal construction of pier and submitted to OIC, PENR Officer Arnoldo A. Blaza Jr.

ACTIONS

In compliance with the instruction from the OIC, PENR Officer the team traveled to Brgy. Espana, San Fernando, Romblon on January 17, 2023 and conducted the following:

- a. Coordinated with the Municipal Mayor of San Fernando Hon. Nanette Tansingco and received a copy of letter of LGU San Fernando to APMC (attached in the report)
- b. Coordinated with Acting Barangay Captain Cris Cleope
- c. Coordinated at the office of APMC in Brgy. Taclobo, San Fernando, Romblon
- d. Actual Investigation and inspection on the location of the alleged construction of pier with Barangay Captain Cris Cleope and LGU-San Fernando Sanitary Officer Manny Ladera
- e. Took geo-tagged photos for the verification of the location

FINDINGS

- 1. There was a large stockpile of top land soil came from the 20 hectares applied area of Altai Philippines Mining Corporation.
- 2. Based on the verbal statement of Engr. Gilbert Tuazon, Loribel Santos and Engr. Ralp Rae Glindo that the application of foreshore by APMC have been approved and released on January 6, 2023 but returned due to typo graphical error.
- 3. That there are no legal documents presented during investigation.
- 4. That the concrete road of DPWH in the front area of port is muddy due to vice versa of loading and unloading of earthmoving from 20 hectares area.





LEGAL BASIS

Violation of DAO 2004-24 Revised Rules and Regulations Governing the Administration and Management of Foreshore Lands.

COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION

As a result of the investigation, the undersigned recommends to conduct further investigation of EMB, MGB and Land Management Sector for issuance of ceased and deceased order if there a violation and verify the cutting permit on the applied Parcel 3.

For information and further instruction.

ROLLY F. MORALES

Forester I

HENRY L. CARBONILLA II

Forest Ranger

LUDWIN M. RUADO

Forest Ranger

ERNIE L. FORCADAS

Forest Technician I

HANNIEL T. NGO

President Altai Philippines Mining Corporation 1901 Tycoon Center, Pearl Drive, San Antonio Ortigas Center, Pasig City

Dear Mr. Ngo,

Greetings in conservation!

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The initial investigation conducted by this Office on January 17, 2023 verified the on-going operation of APMC in the site despite having no legal documents presented. Based on the verbal statement given by Engr. Gilbert Tuazon, Loribel Santos, and Engr. Ralph Rae Glindo of APMC, their foreshore application has been approved and released on January 6, 2023 but returned due to a typographical error.

In this regard, kindly provide us the said approved Miscellaneous Lease Agreement (MLA) or the Provisional Permit (PP) in order to continue operation. Thus, we recommend the immediate suspension of the on-going construction and other activities within the foreshore area unless the necessary permits have been complied and submitted to this Office.

Very truly yours,

OIC, PENR Officer

Cc:

Regional Executive Director
DENR MIMAROPA

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OIC. PENR Officer

Cc.

Regional Executive Director DENR MIMAROPA

PENRO Romblon Barangay Tabing-dagat, Odiongan, Romblon 5505 Direct Line: (042) 567-5030 Email Address:



Republic of the Philippines Province of Romblon MUNICIPALITY OF SAN FERNANDO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

January 17, 2023

HANNIEL T. NGO

President Altai Philippines Mining Corporation 1901 Tycoon Center, Pearl Drive, San Antonio, Ortigas Center, Pasig City

Dear Mr. Ngo:

I am writing you in connection with the on-going construction of a pier by your company Altai Philippines Mining Corporation at Sitio Bato, Barangay España, San Fernando, Romblon within the territorial jurisdiction of this municipality and which I assumed you are fully aware of. The construction is being made without prior notice to the office of the mayor. Attached herewith is a photo of the on-going construction for your reference.

It can be recalled that on December 22 2022, and in response to your letter-request dated December 5, 2022, we informed you that your request for issuance of Mayor's Permit for your mining operations at Barangays Taclobo and España, San Fernando, Romblon is being held in abeyance pending the submission of certain documents. It was then mutually agreed upon that no further construction and development, especially outside of the mining area, shall be made until the issuance of the permit. To our surprise and great frustration, however, this agreement was not observed as the company proceeded with the construction of the pier even if a permit has yet to be issued, an act we consider disrespect on the part of the municipal government of San Fernando.

In this connection, we respectfully suggest for the immediate suspension of the pier construction unless you can provide us with the necessary documents/permits from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and the Philippine Ports Authority who has jurisdiction on the matter.

Very truly yours,

NANETTE B. TANSINGCO, M.D.

Mayor

Attachment:

1. Photo of the construction

2. Letter of the Mayor dated Dec. 22 2022

Copy furnished:

The Regional Executive Director, DENR-MIMAROPA Region, Manila The General Manager, PPA, Manila PENRO, Odiongan, Romblon



Republic of the Philippines Province of Romblon MUNICIPALITY OF SAN FERNANDO

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

December 22, 2022

HANNIEL T. NGO

President Altai Philippines Mining Corporation 1901 Tycoon Center, Pearl Drive, San Antonio, Ortigas Center, Pasig City

Dear Mr. Ngo:

This refers to your letter dated December 5, 2022, which was received by this office on December 12, 2022, requesting for the issuance of Mayor's Permit for Altai Philippines Mining Corporation for its mining operations at Barangays Taclobo and España, San Fernando, Romblon, attaching thereto certain documents for the purpose.

A closer scrutiny however of the documents submitted would show that two (2) documents listed therein, namely: 1) Operational Safety and Health Program; 2) Barangay Clearance from Barangay Taclobo, San Fernando, Romblon, were not among those submitted to this office.

In view thereof, the processing of your request is held in abeyance pending the submission of the documents mentioned above, as well as other requirements such as:

- 1. Company Profile
- 2. Occupational and Health Safety Permit Approved by DOLE
- 3. Labor Standards
- 4. Sanitary/Medical Certificate- RHU Office
- 5. Annual Inspection Certificate- MEO
- 6. Locational Clearance- MPDC Office
- 7. Fire Safety Inspection Certificate- BFP Office

Very truly yours,

NANETTE B. TANSINGCO, M.D.

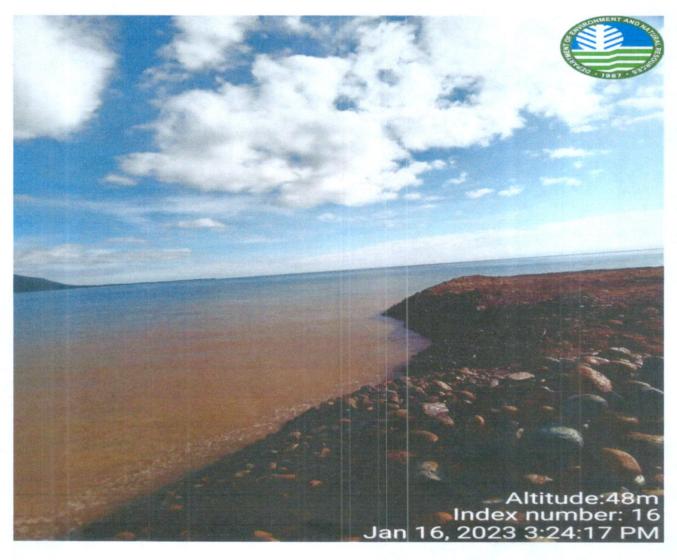
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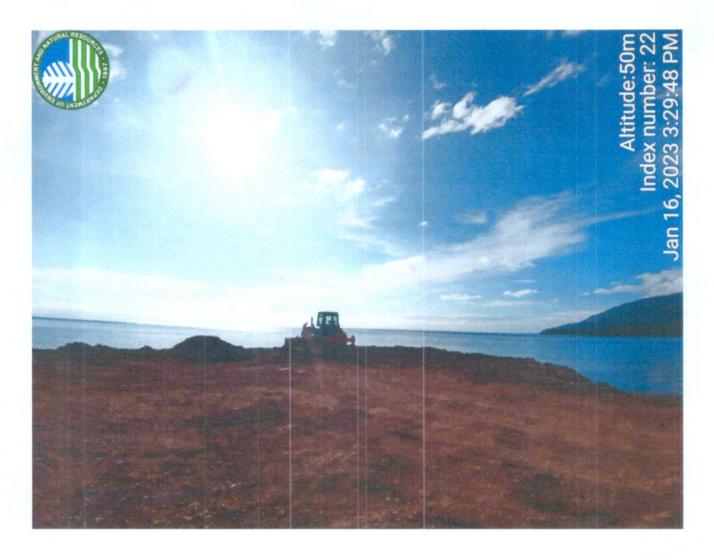
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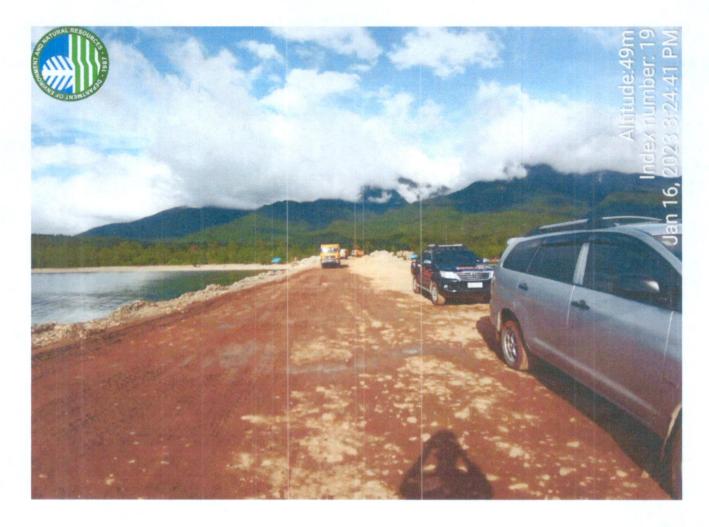
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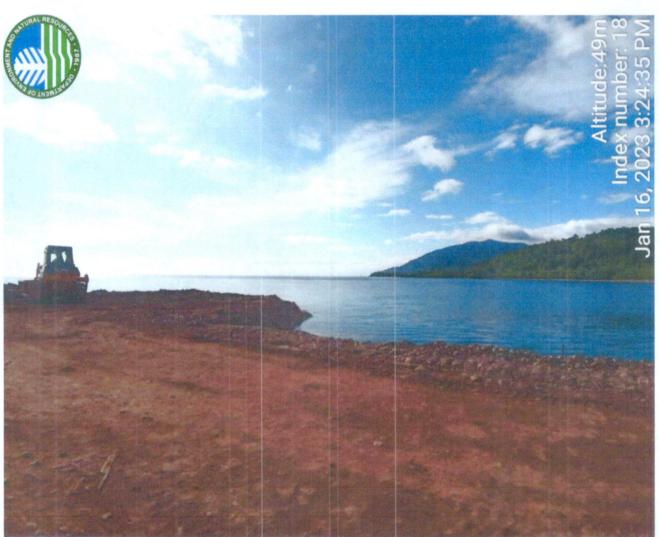


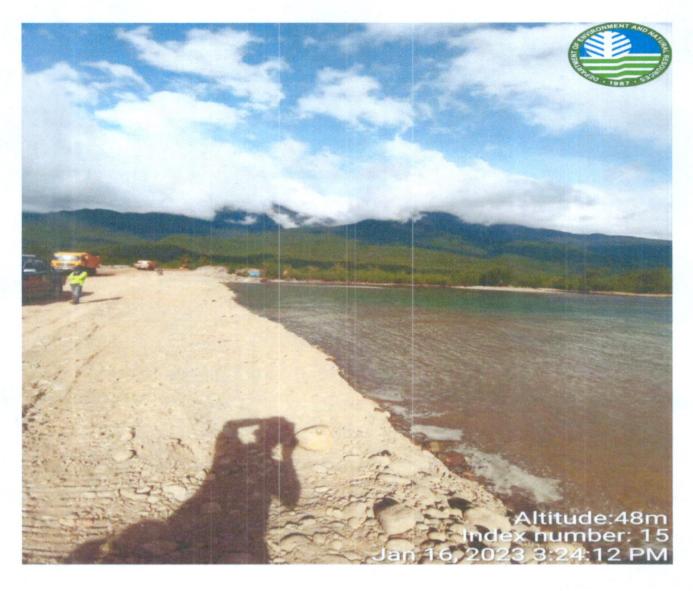


















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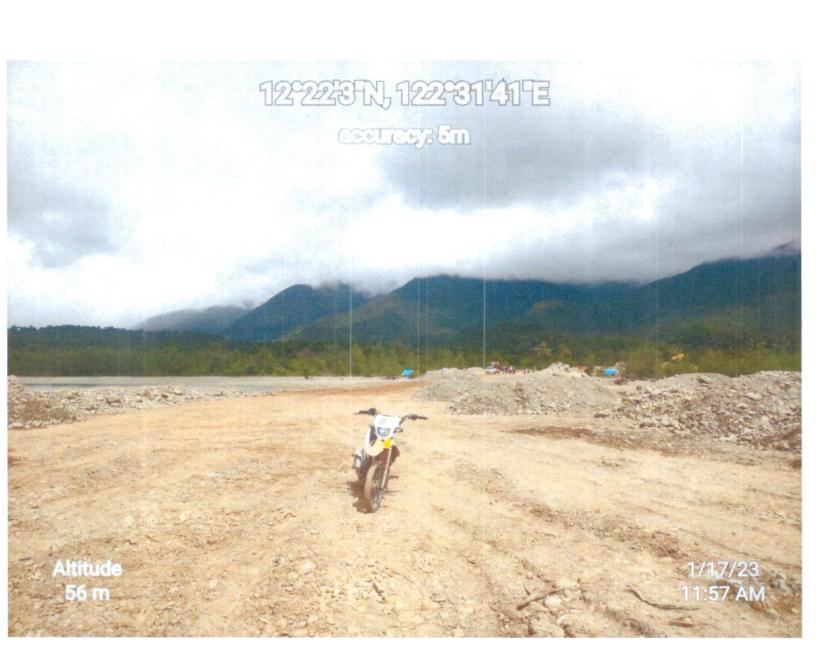


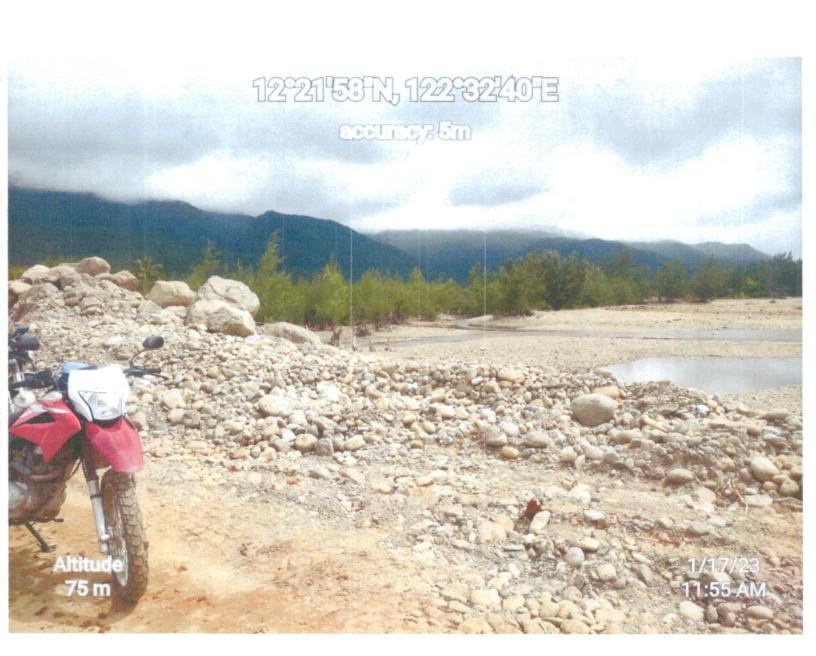




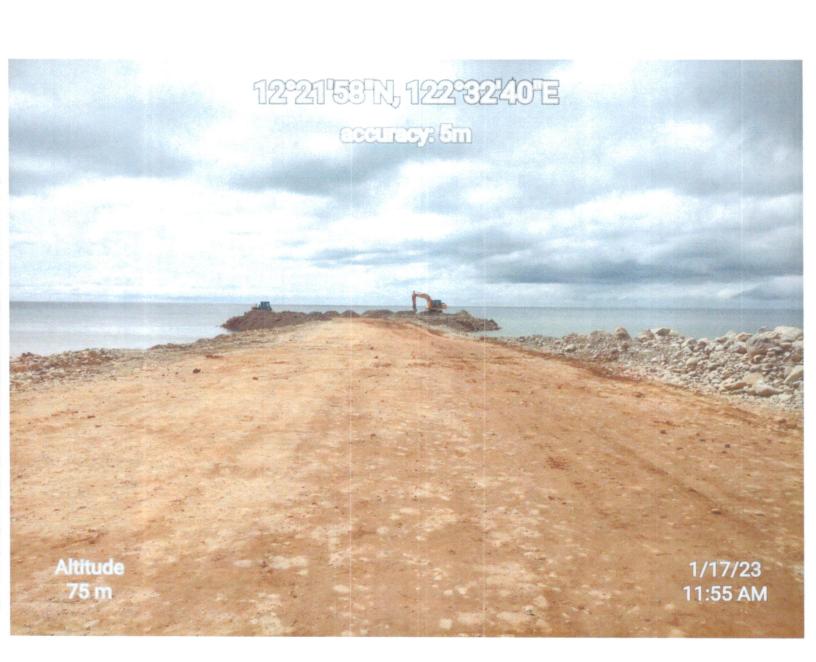
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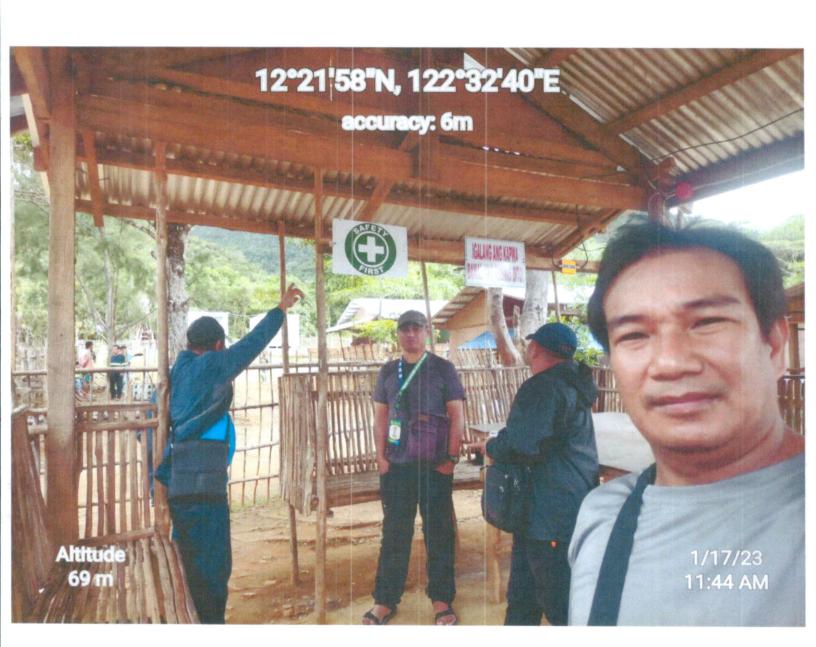


















HON. NANETTE B. TANSINGCO, M.D.

Municipal Mayor San Fernando, Romblon

Dear Mayor Tansingco,

Greetings in conservation!

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 17, 2023 regarding the on-going construction of pier by Altai Philippines Mining Corporation (APMC) at Sitio Bato, Brgy. España, San Fernando, Romblon.

Please be informed that the initial investigation conducted by this Office on January 17, 2023 verified the on-going operation of APMC in the site despite having no legal documents presented. Thus, this Office informed ALTAI through a letter dated January 18, 2023 of the immediate suspension of the on-going construction and other activities within the foreshore area unless the necessary permits such as the Miscellaneous Lease Agreement (MLA) or the Provisional Permit (PP) have been complied.

Furthermore, the investigation report and all pertinent documents were forwarded to the Regional Office for their information and further action in this regard.

Very truly yours,

ARNOLDO A. BLAZA, JR.

OIC, PENR Officer