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SUBJECT: Follow-up and inquiry on Letter dated 30 January 2023 sent to PPA and actions taken on APMC's illegal construction and operation of its port in Brgy. España, San Fernando, Romblon.

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned representatives of the coalition **BANTAY KALIKASAN NG SIBUYAN**, write to follow-up the status of our letter-complaint dated 30 January 2023 where we raised issues and concerns surrounding Altai Mining's illegal construction and operation of its port in Brgy. España, San Fernando, Romblon.

We are aware that your office has issued a notice of explanation dated 03 February 2023 to Altai Mining for them to explain their acts of constructing a port on Sibuyan Island in Romblon without the necessary permit.¹ We also understand that Altai Mining was ordered to respond to the said notice within five (5) days from its receipt thereof.

We write once again to your office to follow-up on the status of the investigation and if there are any cases intended to be filed regarding Altai Mining's illegal construction and operation of its port. As of this writing, there still seems to have been no meaningful update or response from your office as to the developments of the investigation.

Having brought attention to your office this matter in our January 30 letter, we are further requesting that if an investigation or legal action is initiated, or if such are already being conducted, **BANTAY KALIKASAN NG SIBUYAN** should be an integral part of the said activities for the sake of transparency and neutrality on the part of the investigating body.

Lastly, may we also inquire if there is any investigation that is ongoing on Altai Mining's illegal construction and operation of its port, as contained in our January 30 letter?

Your immediate action and response on the contents of this letter in accordance with ARTA will be most appreciated.

¹ Mantaring, J. R. (2023, February 5). PPA wants mining company to explain 'illegal' port on Sibuyan Island. *CNN Philippines*, retrieved from <https://www.cnnphilippines.com/news/2023/2/5/mining-company-explain-illegal-port-sibuyan-island--.html>.

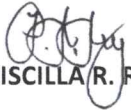
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Yours truly,

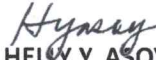

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