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March 13, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
DENR MIMAROPA Region
1515 L&S Bldg., Roxas Blvd.,
Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU : The Assistant Regional Director
for Management Services Division

ATTN : The Chief, RSCIG

FROM : The Provincial Environment and
Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT : **REPORT ON SURFACING AND PRESSING/RED-FLAG ISSUES
WITHIN AREA OF JURISDICTION OF CENRO BROOKE'S POINT,
PALAWAN**

Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum from CENRO Brooke's Point dated February 21, 2023 sent through that office e-mail address on the same date pertaining to above-captioned subject.

For information and record.


FELIZARDO B. CAYATOC



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MIMAROPA Region
COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE
Brooke's Point, Palawan

February 21, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
DENR MIMAROPA Region
1515 DENR By the Bay Building, Roxas Boulevard,
Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU : The Provincial Environment and
Natural Resources Officer
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

FROM : The Community Environment and
Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT : **REPORT ON SURFACING AND PRESSING/RED-FLAG ISSUES
WITHIN THE AREA OF JURISDICTION OF CENRO BROOKE'S
POINT, PALAWAN**

**DENR PENRO
PALAWAN RECORDS
RECEIVED**

BY: *[Signature]*
DATE: 23-2-2023 DN 23-1503

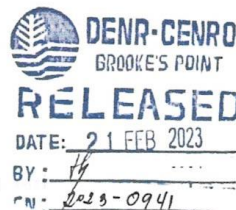
In compliance to her Memorandum relative to the Submission of Weekly Reports on Surfacing and Pressing/Red-Flag Issues within the respective areas of jurisdiction of each field offices, respectfully submitting herewith is the report of CENRO Brooke's Point following the prescribed tabular format with the following information to wit:

| PENRO/ CENRO | SURFACING/ RED-FLAG ISSUE | BRIEF BACKGROUND | STATUS/ACTION TAKEN |
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| CENRO Brooke's Point | Public Assembly/Rally conducted by residents of Brooke's Point against the mining operation of Ipilan Nickel Corporation | <p>The protesters through their spokesperson, Pastor Job Z. Lagrada had secured a Permit to conduct Public Assembly/Rally from Maasin Crossing (provincial road going to Sitio Panay) down to the approach of Tagdidili Bridge, Purok 5, Barangay Maasin, Brooke's Point, Palawan valid from 6:00 AM of February 18 to 10:00 AM of February 21, 2023. Said permit was issued by the Local Chief Executive of Brooke's Point, Palawan, Hon. Cesareo R. Benedito, Jr. through Memorandum Order No. 2023-054 dated February 16, 2023 pursuant to Batas Pambansa No. 880 or the Public Assembly Act of 1985.</p> <p>Accordingly, on February 18, 2023, the protesters composed of residents from the different barangays and community sectors (e.g. Youth, Women etc.) in the Municipality of Brooke's Point, Palawan carrying placards with statements like "KALIKASAN INGATAN PARA SA KABATAAN", "AGRIKULTURA HINDI</p> | <p>Continuous monitoring of CENRO personnel since the on-set and until the end of the activity.</p> <p>Spot Report submitted to PENRO Palawan dated February 20, 2023.</p> |

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| | | <p>PAGMIMINA", "SAGIPIN ANG KALIKASAN", "PAGMIMINA TUTULAN", "INC BANTA KAYO SA AMING KABUHAYAN", NO TO MINING IN BROOKE'S POINT, "MINAHAN SALOT NG KALIKASAN" among others started to assemble in front of the office of Iplan Nickel Corporation with approved MPSA No. 017-93-IV-2000 located at Barangay Maasin, Brooke's Point, Palawan.</p> <p>The group of protesters set up barricades using bamboo poles at the Hauling Road 1 and 2 of the company obstructing the passage of hauling trucks and equipment from the mine pit going to the causeway. The group also held a program citing their issues and concerns relative to the mining operation of the company particularly they are condemning that the company is still operating despite having no issued Business/Mayor's Permit from the Municipal LGU. In the evening, the protesters held a prayer vigil spearheaded by Pastor Job Z. Lagrada. The group likewise set up temporary sheds wherein the other protester mainly comprised of males decided to sleep over/stay for the night. The activities of the group will last until February 21, 2023.</p> <p>Meanwhile, PNP Brooke's Point Municipal Police Station and the Officials of Barangay Maasin are ordered to strictly enforce the provision of BP No. 880 and ensure that the public assembly/rally is being held/conducted peacefully.</p> | |
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Attached herewith are photos and copy of the Permit to conduct Public Assembly/Rally for your ready reference.

For your information, record and further instruction.



[Signature]
LEONARD T. CALUYA

Copy furnished:

The Regional Strategic Communication and Initiatives Group



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Palawan
MUNICIPALITY OF BROOKE'S POINT
Office of the Municipal Mayor
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MEMORANDUM ORDER

No. 2023-054

TO : PASTOR JOB Z. LAGRADA
Brooke's Point, Palawan

SUBJECT : PERMIT TO CONDUCT PUBLIC ASSEMBLY/RALLY

DATE : FEBRUARY 16, 2023

Pursuant to Batas Pambansa Blg. 880 or the Public Assembly Act of 1985 ensures the free exercises of the people's right to hold a public assembly and to petition the government. It further provides that "It shall be the duty of the mayor or any official acting in his behalf to issue or grant a permit unless there is a clear and convincing evidence that the public assembly will create and present danger to public order, public safety, public convenience, public morals or public health".

In view thereof, your request to conduct public assembly/rally from Maasin Crossing (provincial road going to New Panay) down to the approach of Tagdidili Bridge, Purok 5, Bgy. Maasin, this municipality from 6:00 A.M. of February 18, 2023 (Saturday) until 10:00 A.M. of February 21, 2023, is hereby permitted. However, it shall be your duty and responsibility to take all reasonable measures and steps to the end that the intended public assembly shall be conducted peacefully.

Please be guided accordingly.

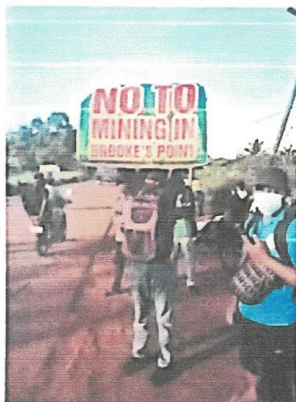

CESAREO R. BENEDITO, JR.
Municipal Mayor



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**PHOTOS TAKEN DURING THE PUBLIC ASSEMBLY/RALLY CONDUCTED BY THE
RESIDENTS OF BROOKE'S POINT AGAINST THE MINING OPERATION OF
IPI LAN NICKEL CORPORATION**

February 18-19, 2023



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February 20-21, 2023



Temporary sheds set-up by the group of protesters in front of the Office of Ipilan Nickel Corporation



Status in the area as of 7:00 AM, February 21, 2023

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