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**The President**

Lea and Son Trading  
Brgy. San Rafael  
Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

**Dear Madam/Sir:**

Please be informed that on 11 February 2023, the technical personnel of CENRO – Puerto Princesa City confirmed that Lea and Son Trading (Lea) has been conducting extraction activities at Barangay San Rafael, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan without a valid mining permit.

The above-cited extraction and disposition of aggregates is equivalent to theft of minerals pursuant to Section 103 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7942<sup>1</sup>, which provides that:


***"Theft of Minerals** – Any person extracting minerals and disposing the same without a mining agreement lease, permit, license, or steals mineral or ores or the products thereof from mines or mills or processing plants..xxx"*

Hence, Lea is hereby ordered to immediately **CEASE AND DESIST** from conducting extraction activities in the said area. This is without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges against you with the proper court for violation of the applicable provisions of RA No. 7942.

Please be guided accordingly. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

By Authority of the Regional Director:

  
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cc: **The Regional Executive Director**  
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**The PENRO and Concurrent Acting PMRB Chairperson**  
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<sup>1</sup> The Philippine Mining Act of 1995

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IN SUSTAINING WEALTH CREATION AND IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE."**

