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Department of Environment and Natural Resources 2 A

MIMAROPA REGION

Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office DOUTGOING

August 5, 2022

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region

FROM

The In-Charge

PENRO Oriental Mindoro

SUBJECT

REQUEST OF MR. JOSE RODRIGUEZ, SR. REGARDING

CUTTING OF PLANTED TREES WITHIN THEIR FLMA AREA LOCATED AT BARANGAY VILLA CERVEZA, ORIENTAL

MINDORO

Forwarded is the Memorandum dated July 25, 2022 from CENRO Socorro regarding the above-mentioned subject bearing Code No. PCC-CAM-07-11-2022-38.

Be informed that in a Memorandum dated October 19, 2021 from the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and Special Projects, Marial C. Amaro, Jr. CESO III, the request of Kapyan Agpaysarigan Mangyan Tadyawan Inc. (KAMTI) represented by Mr. Binata Padiwan for permit to cut/utilize trees of various species damaged/felled by Typhoon Tisoy and Ursula within the expired FLMA located in Villa Cerveza, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro, was not given due course by DENR-FMB, due to absence of tenure or legal instrument of the applicant and DAO No. 2000-28 is still suspended.

Further, CENRO Socorro conducted re-inventory of the felled trees within the FLMA area, and forwarded to the NCIP for issuance of FPIC.

For information and reference.

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DENR-MIMAROPA REGION
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MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

THRU

The PENR Officer

FROM

The CENR Officer

SUBJECT

REQUEST OF MR. JOSE RODROGUEZ, SR. REGARDING CUTTING OF PLANTED TREES WITHIN THEIR FLMA

RECEIVED BY

AREA LOCATED AT BARANGAY VILLA CERVEZA,

VICTORIA, ORIENTAL MINDORO

This pertains to the Memorandum dated July 21, 2022 regarding the complaint of Mr. Jose Rodriguez, Sr addressed to President Ferdinand Marcos, Jr. thru Director Jaime Llaguno Mabilin, President Complaint Center (PCC) bearing Code No. PCC-CAM-07-11-2022-038 regarding their request of cutting permit of the planted trees within their Forest Land Management Agreement (FLMA) area located at Barangay Villa Cerveza, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro.

Relative thereto, please be informed that a letter was sent to the permittee dated March 02, 2022 informing them that their request has been denied by the DENR Central Office Forest Management Bureau as per Memorandum dated October 19, 2021 from Marcial C. Amaro, Jr., CESO III, Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and Special Projects, and Director, in concurrency Capacity, *please see attached file*.

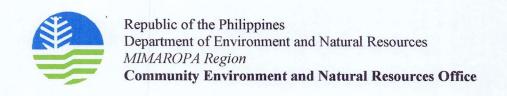
Further, be informed that we conducted re-inventory of the felled trees of the said FLMA area and same was forwarded to NCIP dated June 03, 2022 for the issuance of FPIC which is the requested document stated in the same Memorandum from FMB.

For information and reference.

RODEL M. BOYLES

Copy furnished:

The Presidential Complaint Center (PCC), Malacaňang, Manila The Undersecretary USEC for Field Operations and Environment Mr. Jose P. Rodriguez, Sr. Poblacion I, New Public Market, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro



25 Hulyo 2022

Ginoong Jose P. Rodriguez, Sr. Poblacion I, New Public Market, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro

RE: Request for a Cutting Permit to Harvest Planted Trees within the FLMA Area located at Barangay Villa Cerveza, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro with Reference Code No. OCC-CAM-07-11-2022-038

Ginoo,

Pagbati!

Ito ay patungkol sa email na ipinadala mo noong ika-11 ng Hulyo taong kasalukuyan sa Presidential Complaint Center (PCC) na inendorso sa DENR Action Center/Hotline hinggil sa kahilingan ninyong ma-isyuhan ng cutting permit o permiso sa pagputol ng punong kahoy sa loob ng Forest Land Management Agreement (FLMA) na nasa So. Lagpan, Barangay Villa Cerveza, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro.

Kaakibat nito, nais kong ipaalala na noong ika-02 ng Marso taong 2022 ang aming opisina ay may ipinadalang sulat sa Kapyan Agpaysaringan Mangyan Tadyawan Inc. (KAMTI) naka-address kay Ginoong Binata Padiwan. Ang sulat na ito ay naglalahad na ang inyong kahilingan na ma-isyuhan ng cutting permit ay hindi inaprubahan ng DENR Central, Forest Management Bureau sapagkat ang inyong Forest Land Management Agreement (FLMA) ay paso na o wala ng bisa kaya't wala na kayong tenure o legal na instrument gaya ng ipinaliwanag sa Memorandum na may petsa 19 Oktubre 2021 mula kay Marcial Amaro Jr., CESO III, Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and Special Projects, and Director. Nakasaad din sa naturang Memorandum ang kawalan ninyo ng Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) galing sa NCIP.

Upang kayo ay amin pa rin matulungan na mapakinabangan man lamang ang mga nabuwal na puno, ayon na rin sa inyong kahilingan, matatandaan na noong ika-26 ng Enero taong 2022, ang aming opisina ay nagsagawa ng muling pag-imbentaryo ng mga natumbang puno sa loob ng FLMA at ito ay inendorso naming sa Provincial Officer ng National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) na si Ginoong Reynante S. Luna para sa FPIC process.

Sana ay nabigyang linaw ko ang mga pangyayari at natulungan po naming kayo sa inyong hinaing.

Lubos na sumasaiyo,

CENR Officer

Pasi, Socorro, Oriental Mindoro (043) 285 - 7068 Email: <u>cenrosocorro@denr.gov.ph</u>

Marso 02, 2022

GINOONG BINATA PADIWAN

Kapyan Agpaysaringan Mangyan Tadyawan Inc. (KAMTI) So. Lagpan, Brgy. Villa Cerveza, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro

Ginoo,

Isang Makakalikasang Araw!

Atin pong matatandaan na ang inyong aplikasyong para sa cutting permit noong naakaraang taon para mapakinabangan ang mga puno sa Forest Land Management Agreement (FLMA) ay hindi inaprubahan ng DENR Central Office Forest Management Bureau (Memorandum dated October 19, 2021 ni Marcial C. Amaro, Jr., CESO III, Assistant Secreatry for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and Special Projects, and Director, in concurrency capacity) sa kadahilanang ang inyong Forest Land Management Agreement na may bisang dalawamput-limang taong (25 years) ay nagtapos na noong ika-03 ng Disyembre taong 2018 (December 03, 1993-December 03, 2018). Sa katunayan kayo po ay nabigyan ng ng sipi nito noong ika-11 ng Pebrero taong kasalukuyan sa aming tanggapan.

Sa kadahilanang kayo ay nagsusumamo at gusto ninyo na mapakinabangan kahit man lang ang mga natumbang puno upang makatulong sa inyong pamumuhay, kayo po ay lumiham muli sa tanggapang ito noong ika 10-ng Enero taong kasalukuyan (*January 10, 2022*) upang ipaabot ang inyong naisin. Patungkol dito, isinagawa po naming muli ang pag-imbentaryo at napatunayang nasa lugar pa rin ang mga natumbang punong-kahoy. Upang muling maisumite sa Regional Office ang inyong kahilingan, kinakailangan po ninyong maisumete sa tanggapang ito ang mga sumusunod na dokumento para sa agarang aksyon;

- 1. Sulat kahilingan na galing kay Binata Padiwan na naka address kay CENRO Rodel M. Boyles
- 2. LGU Certification; Barangay at MENRO Certification na nagsasabi na hindi sila tumututol sa inyong kahilingan na mapakinabangan ang mga natumbang punong kahoy sa nasasakupan ng inyong CADT at FLMA Area

3. Kopya ng CADT mula sa Land Registration Authority (LRA) at FLMA Contract

5. Endorsement na galing sa NCIP na hindi tumututol sa inyong kahilingan na mapakinabangan ang mga natumbang punong kahoy

Amin din po kayong hinihikayat na lumiham sa Central Office upang maipa-abot ang inyong pagnanais na mapakinabangan ang mga natumbang puno sa datihan ninyong FLMA.

Maraming salamat po.

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Lubos na gumagalang,

RODEL M. BOYLES
CENR Officer



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
FOREST MANAGEMENT BUREAU

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MEMORANDUM

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HOR

The Regional Executive Director DENR MIMAROPA Region

DENR By the Hay Hildy. 1515 Roxas Houlevard

Ermita, Manila

FROM

The Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and

Special Projects, and Director, in concurrent capacity

SUBMIT

REQUEST OF KAPYAN AGPAYSARIGAN MANGYAN TADVAWAN INC. (KAMTH REPRESENTED BY MR. BINATA PADIWAN FOR PERMIT TO CUT/UTILIZE TREES OF VARIOUS SPECIES DAMAGED/FELLED BY TYPHOONS TISOY AND URSULA WITHIN A FORMER COMMUNITY BASED REFORESTATION PROJECT AREA COVERED BY CADC NO. RIV-CADC-085 LOCATED IN BARANGAY VILLA CERVEZA.

VICTORIA, ORIENTAL MINDORO

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED

Memorandum dated August 31, 2021, of the Regional Executive Director, DENR MIMAROPA Region, with enclosures in one (1) thick folder

DATE

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This has reference to the Memorandian dated August 31, 2021 from the Regional Executive Director, DENR MIMAROPA Region addressed to the DENR Secretary, Roy A. Cimata, thru the Office of the Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment, attention this Office, seeking guidance on the request of Kapyan Agpaysarigan Mangyan Tadyawan, Inc. (KAMTI), represented by Mr. Binata Padiwan for a permit to cut/utilize trees of various species which were allegedly damaged/felled by typhoon Tisos and Ursula located in Barangay Villa Cerveza, Victoria, Oriental Mindoro.

Accordingly, the inventory conducted by the Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CLNRO) Socorro dated Lebruary 19, 2020, revealed a total of 61 trees of various species with an equivalent estimated volume of 51.24 cm.m. Due to sudden downpoor and the sloping termin of the area during the actual inventory, there were trees left annumbered and uncaptured by a geo-tag capable camera, but the geographic coordinates of such were recorded. Based on the duty certified field reports and attached supporting documents pertannue to this case, the following observation and findings were noted.

- 1. The DENR, through PENRO Oriental Mindore, awarded KAMTI with a Continuously Based Referestation Project (CBRP) on May 30, 1990, aimed at assisting the DENR in its referestation program through the establishment, protection, and maintenance of a 50-hectare forest plantation situated in Sitio Centro, Barangay Villa Cerveza, Victoria, Oriental Mindore for three (3) years.
- 2. Following the termination of CBRP contract awarded to KAMTI, the said tribal organization applied for a Forest Land Management Agreement (FLMA) for a period of 25 years, renewable for not more than 25 years which was approved on December 5, 1993. The FLMA allows the use of the area to grow and harvest minor forest products or interplant cash crops, fruit trees and other agricultural crops using sound agriforestry practices. The awardes may also barvest, process, and self-timber when the trees matture following the principles of sustained yield timest management.

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- 3. A Certificate of Ancestral Domain Claim (CADC) No. RIV-CADC-085, with an area of 12,000 hectares, was issued to Ladyawan Mangvan by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources on June 23, 1997. To date, the tribal organization has already filed an application to convert their CADC to Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT) pursuant to Republic Act No. 8371, or the Indigenous Peoples. Rights Act (IPRA).
- 4 The location of subject trees falls within the critical watershed of Mag-asawang Tubig Watershed having a moderate to high susceptibility to landslide and flood as certified by PENRO Oriental Mindozo in its Completed Staff Work dated December 12, 2019, and
- The applicant has a pending application of Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC), with the Environmental Management Bureau MfMAROPA Region and Certificate of Precondition (CP) with the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples.

With all the foregoing details, the following had been diligently researched to aid in providing proper guidance and direction to the concerned DENR field office:

- 1. introduced in 1979, the CBRP is a project under the Family Approach to Reforestation program of the DFNR, thru the Forest Management Bureau (FMB), which was designed as a cost-effective means of accelerating reforestation on denuded areas by participation of local families. The FMB shall enter into 2 to 3-year contracts with families to establish trees on public lands, with a maximum area of 50 bectares while adequately providing financial support and training throughout the fulfillment of the contract. The awardees are expected to move to new sites after completing the establishment. As clearly stated in the contract, any improvements, and developments such as the establishment, maintenance, care, and protection of the forest plantation shall be turned over to the DENR at the termination of the contract.
- 2 Considering that the FLMA was valid and effective not later than 2018 and can still be applied for renewal for another 25 years, as indicated but not automatic, however, Section 59 of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 8371, or the Indigenous Peoples' Rights Act of 1997 is stringent to enforce that

"all departments and other governmental agencies shall henceforth he strictly enjoined from issuing renewing, or granting any concession, license or lease, or entering into any production sharing agreement, without prior certification from the NCIP that the area affected does not overlap with any ancestral domain. Such certification shall only he issued after a field based investigation is conducted by the Ancestral Domains Office of the area concerned. Provided That no certification shall be issued by the NCIP without the free and prior informed and written consent of ICCxIPs concerned. Provided further. That no department, government agency or government owned or controlled corporation may issue new concession, beening application for a CADT. Provided, finally, that the ICCxIPs shall have the right to stop or suspend, in accordance with this Act, any project that has not suitshed the requirement of this consultation receives.

Further, Rule VIII, Part II, Section 6 of Administrative Order No. 1, Series of 1998, otherwise known as the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of R.A. No. 8371, states that:

"existing contracts. Itemses, concessions, leases and permits for the exploitation of natural resources within the assessful domain may continue to be in force and effect until they expire. Thereafter, such

contracts, licenses, concessions, leases, and permits shall not be renewed without the free and prior informed consent of the IP community members and upon renegotiation of all terms and conditions thereof All such existing contracts, houses concessions, leases, and permits may be terminated for cause upon violation of the terms and conditions thereof

The renewal of tenure such as the FLMA is not inherent, and therefore must still be subjected to the provisions of IPRA law.

The CADC as defined under NCIP Administrative Order No. 4, Series of 2012, or the Revised Omnibus Rules on Delineation and Recognition of Ancestral Domains and Ancestral Lands of 2012", refers to that Certificate issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) recognizing the claims of Indigenous Cultural Community (ICC) Indigenous People (IP) to their Ancestral Lands (ALs)/Ancestral Domains (ADs). Consistent with the provisions under Section 5(b) of the NCIP Administrative Order No. 1. Series of 1998 or the "Rules and Regulations implementing the Indigenous Peoples" Rights Act of 1997" all records pertinent to approved applications for CADCs issued by the DENR or other concerned government agency shall be turned over immediately to the NCIP, without prejudice to the prerogative of the NCIP to enter into a Meroorandum of Agreement with the said agencies, to ensure a continuous and satisfactory delineation of ancestral lands/domains. To put into context, CADC is a recognition of right that is neither a tenurial instrument not a proof of ownership. With the passage of the IPRA law in 1997, CADCs were decreed to be converted into CADTs to finally establish ownership over the ancestral land.

in other words, a CADC is the State's formal recognition of an IP/ICCs' claim to a particular traditional territory which the IP/ICC has possessed and occupied communally or individually, in accordance with its customs and traditions since time immemorial. The fact that a certificate of title or CADT has yet to be issued to the Tadyawan-Mangyan IP's does not diminish, much less, negate their communal ownership of the land in question. After all, a paper title is just proof of communal ownership not a source of ownership Lamisis v. Dong-E 106 relevantly states:

The application for issuance of a Certificate of Ancestral Land Fitle pending before the NCIP is akin to a registration proceeding. It also seeks an official recognition of one's claim to a particular land and is also in rein. The utiling of ancestral lands is for the purpose of "officially establishing" one's land as an ancestral land. Just like a registration proceeding, the titling of ancestral lands does not vest ownership upon the applicant but only recognizes ownership that has already vested in the applicant by virtue of his and his predecessor-in-interest's possession of the property since time immension.

Even without yet a paper title, the State has already formally recognized the rights of the Tadyawan-Mangayan IPs approaching title to use and enjoy their ancestral degrants through their CADC. Nonetheless, despite the possession of a CADC, it is still incumbent upon the holder thereof to seek proper permits from the mandated agencies such as the DENR.

4. The DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 2000-78 dated November 7, 2000, or the Regulations in the Recovery and Disposition of Abandoned Logs, Drifted Logs, Sunken Logs, Uprooted and Fire/Typhoon Damaged Trees, tree Stumps, Tops and Branches is currently suspended by virtue of a Memorandum signed by the DENR Secretary Elisea G. Gozan dated May 7, 2003.

^{*} G.R. 224469, January 5, 2021. Dioudado Sama V Houpes and Handy Mananglay V Accycla vs. People of the Philippines

In view of the foregoing, this Office recommends that the Region conducts further due diligence on the matter, such as:

Inquire on the status of CADC conversion to CADT as only Authenticated Copy of Land
 Title issued by the Land Registration Authority or Register of Deeds is honored as one of
 the documentary requirements for the processing of applicable cutting permit, and

2. Remind the applicant that the recognition of communal rights of a CADE holder is not tantamount to the full obligation, possession and ownership vested on CADE holder and without the conversion, the IP group will remain bereft of predical personality to atilize the natural resources found therein

Considering the premises cited above, may we inform the Region that the request for cutting permit should ont be given due course due to the absence of tenure or legal incomment of the applicant and that DAO No. 2000-78 is still suspended.

FORGERDANCE AND STRICT COMPLIANCE, PLEASE,

MARCIAL C. AMARON IR. CESCOM

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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MIMAROPA Region

Community Environment and Natural Resources Office

June 13, 2022

MR. REYNANTE S. LUNA

Provincial Officer National Commission on Indigenous Peoples 2nd Floor, OMPSTA Building, Ignacio St. Camilmil, Calapan City

Dear Sir,

This pertains to the application of Mr. Binata Padiwan represented by Mr. Jose Rodriguez for a cutting permit of standing trees within their FLMA. However, this was denied by the DENR Central Office because of lacking supporting documents and tenurial instrument is expired.

On January 24, 2019, Mr. Binata Padiwan submitted a request for tree inventory for the standing trees within their FLMA. An inventory team from this Office conducted tree inventory in the area and accounted a total of three hundred eighty-five (385) Mahogany, one hundred ninety-nine (199) Gmelina and three hundred sixty-seven (367) Narra trees with an estimated gross volume of 884.44 cubic meters.

Relative thereto, we are endorsing to your office the application as well as the other supporting documents to facilitate the conduct of the FPIC process.

Thank you very much.

Respectfully yours,

RODEL M. BOYLES

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cc: PENR Office Suqui, Calapan City



