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MEMORANDUM

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FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region

1515 L and S Bldg., Roxas Boulevard

Ermita, Manila

FROM

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE MEETING: CLARIFICATORY

TECHNICAL CONFERENCE REGARDING THE

APPREHENSION OF ONE (1) UNIT OF CHAINSAW AND

ASSORTED TOOLS AT SITIO LILI BUTON, BARANGAY SAN

RAFAEL, BUSUANGA, PALAWAN

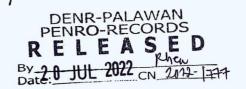
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For information and further instruction.

Copy Furnished CENRO Coron, Palawan File/2022-004ACG MES Doc. Ref. No. 2022-6315 FELIZARDO B. CAYATOC





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In view hereof, you are instructed to facilitate all the documentation processes and file a case against Mr. Escanilla and please turn-over the case of Mr. Edonga to the Office of Department of Social Welfare and Development. Submit update report on this matter.

For information and strict compliance.

FELIZARDO B. CAYATOC

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THRU

The PENR Officer

DENR-PENRO Palawan

Santa Monica, Puerto Princesa City

Palawan

FROM

The OIC, CENR Officer

CENRO Calamianes Islands

SUBJECT

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RAFAEL, BUSUANGA, PALAWAN

DATE

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Respectfully forwarded herewith is the report of the BPR Management Office pertaining to the highlights of the Clarificatory Technical Conference conducted on June 29, 2022, at Barangay Hall, San Rafael, Busuanga, Palawan regarding the apprehension of one (1) unit of chainsaw and assorted tools at So. Lili buton, Brgy. San Rafael, Busuanga, Palawan on April 12, 2022 within the BPR.

Report disclosed that based on the documents of the BPR Management Office, it was found that the subject area of the cutting activity is within the YKR/BPR. It was also clarified during the said meeting the following:

- a) That the person in the name of Mr. Joseph Gabinete was just involved on the matter and the actual offender aside from Mr. Escanilla is Mr. Junnel Edonga;
- b) No documents was secured from the Barangay by the violators;
- c) Mr. Escanilla attested that he purposely cut the tree to repair his house. In preparation for the incoming rainy season

Furthermore, as agreed during the meeting the BPRMO thru the Office of the CENR will send a communication letter to the barangay, requesting documents pertaining to Mr. Gabinete to clear his name on the said illegal activity. In addition, in the case of the violators for Mr. Escanilla the barangay will help document his house to prove that he really needed timber materials to re-build his house. Lastly, for Mr. Junnel Edonga, the office will send a

communication letter to his parents informing them the involvement of Mr. Junnel Edonga on the said illegal cutting of trees that was subject for apprehension on April 12, 2022.

For the Regional Executive Director's information and record.

For and in the absence of the OIC, CENRO

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MEMORANDUM

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The OIC, CENR Officer

CENRO Calamianes Islands

Coron, Palawan

FROM

The Undersigned, BPR Management Office

SUBJECT

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE **MEETING: CLARIFICATORY** TECHNICAL CONFERENCE REGARDING APPREHENSION OF ONE (1) UNIT OF CHAINSAW AND ASSORTED TOOLS AT SO. LILI BUTON, BARANGAY SAN

RAFAEL, BUSUANGA, PALAWAN

DOCUMENTS

ATTACHED:

1. Photo Documentation

2. Attendance on the Clarificatory Technical Conference

DATE

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This pertains to the highlights of the meeting at the Clarificatory Technical Conference conducted on June 29, 2022, at Barangay Hall, San Rafael, Busuanga, Palawan regarding the apprehension of one (1) unit of chainsaw and assorted tools at So. Lili buton, Brgy. San Rafael, Busuanga, Palawan on April 12, 2022 within the BPR. Relative thereto, respectfully submitted is a report on the matter.

The meeting was presided by the POCO-BPRMO to discuss and clarify the sides of the offenders, Barangay, and the DENR. It started at about 1:46 PM through face to face platform attended by the nine (8) representatives of Brgy. San Rafael; the offender; Mr. Ronel Escanilla and the name involved, Mr. Joseph Gabinete accompanied by Mr. Anthony A. Libarra and the BPRMO personnel.

According to Kagawad Bernardo Rodriguez, they were not aware of the illegal activity particularly the apprehension of chainsaw that happened to their barangay on April 12, 2022. When asked if the offender secure permits to the barangay for the said cutting activity, the Barangay officials responded that the barangay were not informed nor received any request from the said offender. In addition, they only gave clearances or barangay certification for cutting purposes to those requesting party within their titled lots or cutting of trees near road widening project.

On the conference, it was also found out that name of Mr. Joseph Gabinete was just involved in said illegal activity. One offender gave false information to the apprehending officer; he intentionally gave the name of Mr. Joseph Gabinete. According to Kag. Rodriguez when they received the report and communication letter from the DENR, Barangay Chairman Medardo B. Macanas Sr. summoned the offenders and later found that the name of the actual offender aside from Mr. Escanilla is Mr. Junnel Edonga and not Mr. Gabinete.

This was also attested by Mr. Escanilla the operator apprehended in said illegal activity. Mr. Gabinete was just involved and not present/not aware of the said apprehension of chainsaw and cutting activity. Moreover, the barangay representatives stated that one of the offenders Mr. Junnel Edonga is just a minor on the matter the BPRMO personnel suggested to inform his parents regarding his involvement in the said illegal activity. Because of the involvement of Mr. Gabinete he pleaded in the meeting to clear his name on the involvement in illegal activity.

On the other hand, when Mr. Escanilla was asked for his involvement in the illegal activity, he attested that he purposely cut the tree to repair his house. In preparation for the incoming rainy season.

With this, the POCO-BPRMO clarified and briefly explained to the Barangay representatives and the offenders that the subject area is within the BPR pursuant to the Presidential Proclamation 1387 s. 1975, that this Proclamation is an established fact that the Busuanga Pasture Reserve is a government property. While it indicates a proviso "subject prior to private rights". Also, it was explained for the reason that this Clarificatory Technical Conference was called by the DENR-FMB-BPR, was under the Presidential Proclamation 663, the jurisdiction of the BPR was transferred to the Forest Management Bureau of DENR. It was also explained and to clarify that the CENRO Coron and BPR Management Office has different jurisdiction and mandate, but it is both still under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

Further explained by POCO-BPRMO that cutting of trees is in violation of Section 77 - Cutting, Gathering and/or collecting Timber, or Other Forest Products Without License. – Any person who shall cut, gather, collect, removed timber or other forest products from any forest land, or timber from alienable or disposable public land, or from private land, without any authority, or possess timber or other forest products without the legal documents" of P.D. 705 as amended

Moreover, the use of chainsaw by the offenders without necessary documents is another violation in R.A. 9175 or the Chainsaw Act of 2002 and (PCSD Administrative Order No. 7 (As amended by PCSD Resolution 06-313), the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Chainsaw Act Of 2002 (R.A. 9175) in the Province of Palawan.

After explaining the legal basis, laws and regulation pertaining to the illegal activity, the BPRMO personnel requested to the barangay if they could provide documents or affidavit to help proved the innocence and clear the name of Mr. Gabinete since his name were just used by the real offenders.

Likewise, the barangay was also requested to document the house of Mr. Escanilla to prove if the timber products from the cut trees were really used for repairing his house. The barangay may submit a photo documentation taken from the house of Mr. Escanilla if really the purpose of cutting and gathering timber products is for the repair/ construction of his house. The said documents from the barangay will be used as attachments to the conducted Clarificatory Technical Conference.

It was also explained that there is no assurance if Mr. Escanilla will be exempted to the case or will not face any criminal case or violations based on the provisions of the mentioned environmental laws and regulations and the decision will still be based on the higher authority if proven.

For the case of Mr. Edonga as a minor involved in the illegal activity, this Office will sent a communication letter to his parents to inform them about the matter. Although there is a chance that he will not face a grave case since he is a minor, likewise, it is still on the decision of the higher authority.

Thus, this Office will send a communication letter to the barangay to formally request on providing the documents and to help their residents Mr. Escanilla on the documentation of his house and Mr. Gabinete to formally clear his name.

There being no matters to be discussed, the meeting was done on 2:53 PM, 29 June 2022 and they will be notified for further instructions from the higher authority.

For the OIC, CENRO's information and further instruction(s), if any.

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Figure 1. From left to right, Mr. Joseph Gabinete – wearing green shirt whose name was only involved and next to him wearing color orange shirt is one of the offenders Mr. Ronel Escanilla



Figure 2. Mr. Anthony Libarra wearing white shirt, he accompanied Mr. Gabinete attended the meeting and the rest were the barangay officials of Brgy. San Rafael







Figure 3. Actual photos of Mr. Junnel Edonga during the apprehension of BPRMO personnel on April 12, 2022 at So. Lili buton, Brgy. San Rafael, Busuanga, Palawan



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