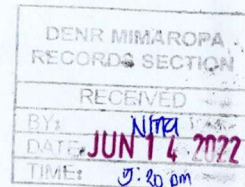




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LORMELYN E. CLAUDIO, CESO IV

Regional Executive Director
DENR, 1515 Roxas Boulevard
Manila

Dear Director Claudio,

In connection with the probe being conducted by the NBI Environmental Crime Division (EnCD), on the reported massive illegal reclamation and quarrying activities in Coron, Palawan, may we request for a Document and/or Certification whether the following were granted permit or authority to extract minerals and conduct quarrying and reclamation activities in Coron.

1. Provincial LGU of Palawan
2. Municipality of Coron
3. Bella C. Tiotangco and/or BCT Trading Construction
4. Cesario Castro Reyes and Ernesto S. Mercado, both of 428 Hi-Tech Group, Inc.

May we also request a Certification whether the **Coron Bay Development Project** was granted any tenurial instrument and Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) to conduct reclamation activities in Coron including encroaching in the mangrove areas. May we further request information and/or documents whether the Provincial LGU and the Coron Bay Development Project was issued a Show Cause Order (SCO), a Cease and Desist Order (CDO), and/or Notice to Vacate.

Finally, may we request for a certified and updated list of all quarry permittee in Coron and those who encroached in a forest area/protected area and mangrove areas.

Kindly address your reply to the undersigned attention ^{ARD} Isaac R. Carpeso Jr., Chief, NBI-EnCD with office address at NBI Main Office, 6th Floor, V Tech Tower, Araneta Avenue, corner Ma. Clara Street, Brgy. Sto. Domingo, Quezon City.

Should you have any inquiries/concern regarding this request, you may contact SI V Rizaldy J. Rivera, the Agent-on-Case, at 02-8522 9977 and email address nbi.encd@gmail.com.

Anticipating your usual prompt reply in the spirit of public service.

Very truly yours,

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Officer-in-Charge

By:

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