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Department of Environment and Natural Resources
PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE
MIMAROPA Region

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MEMORANDUM

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

THRU : The Assistant Regional Director
For Technical Services

FROM : The OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT : SHIP GROUNDING (MV MARFEL CARRIER V) INCIDENT IN
BARANGAY MALIGAY, LUBANG, OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

Respectfully forwarded is the initial report of CENRO Sablayan , Occidental Mindoro concerning the ship grounding incident transpired in Barangay Maligay , Lubang, Occidental Mindoro involving MV Marfel Carrier V .

For your information and record.



ERNESTO E. TAÑADA



Republic of the Philippines
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COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

March 15, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The OIC PENR Office
Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

FROM : The CENR Officer

SUBJECT : **SHIP GROUNDING (MV MARFEL CARRIER V) INCIDENT IN
BRGY. MALIGAY, LUBANG, OCCIDENTAL MINDORO**

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Date: 3-17-23
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On February 27, 2023, a news circulated in social media that a cargo ship was grounded/stranded somewhere in Lubang, this Province. Upon learning of the incident the office alerted Forest Protection Officer, Mr. Mansueto L. Martizano, Jr. stationed in Lubang to conduct verification. Late in the afternoon of the same date we received a verbal report that a cargo ship. see attached picture, was grounded/stranded in Brgy. Maligay, Lubang, Occidental Mindoro. According to the Captain while they're traveling along Fortune Island on way to Subic, Olongapo City their ship encountered mechanical problem. From the point, Fortune Island, the ship was blown away due to strong wind prevailing in the area at that period of time and eventually grounded on top of Coral Reef of said barangay.

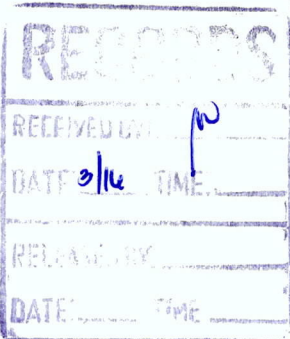
On February 27, 2023, we sent a communication to Hon. Michael L. Orayani expressing our willingness to extend technical assistance particularly in the assessment of damage to the coral reef in the area, **see attached letter**.

On March 11, 2023, the undersigned and personnel from the Enforcement and Monitoring Section together with selected divers of CENRO Sablayan and Apo Reef, and drone specialist went to Lubang for the following purposes; (1) to conduct routine monitoring of illegal cutting activities in the Island; (2) to assess the damage in coral reef caused by MV Marfel Carrier V, **see attached picture** and (3) Onoda cave assessment and the schedule Protected Area Suitability Assessment (PASA) activity of Verde Island Passage (VIP).

On March 12, 2023, the group led by Municipal Mayor Orayani proceeded in the grounding site to assess the situation of the ship and its surrounding. Result of the ocular inspection disclosed that:

- (1) MV Marfel Carrier V which is situated along 51P 190847 15337110. The LGU is in close coordination and contact with the ship owner for the immediate removal of the ship w/out prejudice of collecting damages based on the result of the assessment and we take into consideration also the probability that it might turn sideways due to strong wind in the area. If this happen, hope it will not, may cause environmental problem, later, **see attached picture**;

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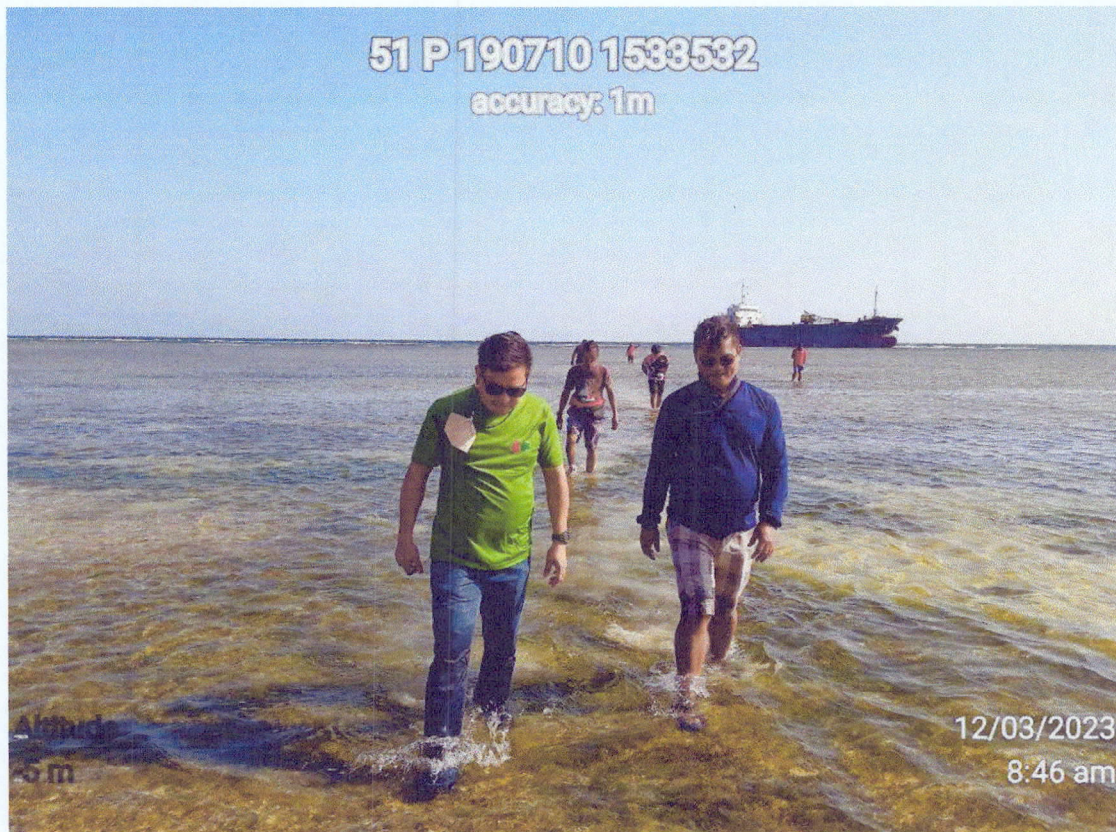
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- (2) The probability that an oil spill may happen in the area is very nil because there is no sign of damage to the cargo carrier, however, we do not set aside that an oil spill incident may happen if the cargo ship will turn sideways as stated.
- (3) The divers were not able to conduct thorough assessment in the coral damage and aerial shot of the ship because of the prevailing strong winds and big waves in the area. However, they will complete the assessment once the condition in the area has improve;
- (4) Other agencies like BFP, PCG, PNP are closely monitoring the situation in the area. The PCG being the lead agency is closely communicating with the ship owner for the immediate removal of the ship. and;
- (5) The ship grounding site is within and/or part of Verde Island Passage.

At this moment, we cannot determine the extent of damage in the corals in terms of area/size and correct value because the team who performed the assessment is still in Lubang Island. A more comprehensive report shall be submitted the soonest possible time

For information and record.


FOR. ANASTACIO A. SANTOS, MPA











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Letter to Mayor Orayani_Ship grounding

1 message

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Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 11:46 AM

To: Municipal Agriculture Office LGU-LUBANG <agriculturelubang1991@gmail.com>

Cc: TSD PENRO OccMin <tsdoccmin042@gmail.com>

Ma'am/ Sir;

Good morning.

Kindly see attached file regarding the above-cited subject.

Thank you.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this email.

Conservation and Development Section

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February 27, 2023

HON. MICHAEL L. ORAYANI
Municipal Mayor
Lubang, Occidental Mindoro

Attn: **MR. MARK LANCELOT MENDOZA**
MENR Officer

Dear Mayor Orayani,

Greetings of Peace!

This pertains to a news recently posted by ABS-CBN News regarding the ship grounding incident that has happened within the municipal waters of Lubang by a certain MV Manfel Carrier V. With the said incident mentioned, we would like to inform that this office is very much willing to assist you in anyway possible with regard the said incident.

Thank you very much. More power and God bless.

Very truly yours,


FOR. ANASTACIO A. SANTOS, MPA
CENR Officer

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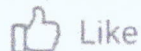
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LOOK: The Philippine Coast Guard on Monday morning rescued 14 crew members of the bulk carrier MV Manfel Carrier V after it ran aground Sunday, 110 feet away from the shore of Lubang Island in Occ. Mindoro.

Photo courtesy: Capt. Eddyson Abanilla, PCG-Occ Mindoro | via Dennis Datu, ABS-CBN News

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