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## **Dear RED Claudio:**

This refers to your letter requesting verification of the land classification status of the area covered by Republic Act (RA) No. 9145 dated 30 July 2001 entitled "An Act to Reclassify a Portion of the Land Under Cadastral Survey 800-D, Module 2, Project No. 1, LC Map 203 in Barangay Santa Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Province of Palawan as Agricultural Land Open to Disposition", excluding in the said act the area covered by Proclamation No. 16 series of 1998 entitled "Reserving and Declaring as Puerto Princesa City Government Center and Nature Park a Certain Portion of the Land of the Public Domain Situated in Barangays Sta. Monica and Tiniguiban, Puerto Princesa City."

Please be informed of the following findings based on our initial plotting, review and verification of the technical descriptions of Cadastral Survey 800-D, Proclamation No. 16, Series of 1998, and RA 9145 vis-à-vis map LC-203:

- a) The computer-generated area covered by said Proclamation No. 16 is 89.71 hectares, which is close to the proclaimed area (89.7518 hectares).
- b) RA 9145 contains no technical description but only a narrative description stating that "portion of the territory of Barangay Sta. Monica in the City of Puerto Princesa, Province of Palawan, consisting of nine hundred eighty-two hectares and five thousand six hundred sixty centares (982.5660 hectares) of land under cadastral survey 800-D, module 2, classified as timber land under Project No. 1-LC Map 203, is hereby reclassified as agricultural land, open to disposition, except that portion covered by Presidential Proclamation No. 16, dated September 11, 1998."
- c) The analog map of LC-203 indicates only the area classified as Alienable and Disposable (A&D) land covering 46,484,000 square meters (4,684.40 hectares). There are **no lands classified as Forest Lands under Map LC-203**. This is confirmed by the LC Status Card of Map LC-203 which indicates the area classified as A&D (4,648.40 hectares), copy attached.



- d) Aside from Map LC-203, there are no other LC maps covering Brgy. Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City.
- e) The entire Province of Palawan is covered by both Presidential Proclamation (PP) No. 2152, s. 1981 Declaring the Entire Province of Palawan and Certain Parcels of the Public Domain and/or Parts of the Country as Mangrove Swamp Forest Reserves and PP No. 530-B Amending Proclamation No. 219 Dated July 2, 1967 Which Declares the Entire Province of Palawan as Game Refuge and Bird Sanctuary and the Small Islands Off Palawan as National Reserves."
- f) Cadastral Survey 800-D totally falls within Map LC-203.
- g) Cadastral Survey 800-D covers a computer-generated total area of 770.11 hectares, out of which are 478.39 hectares of A&D Lands and 202.01 hectares of Mangrove Swamp Forest Reserve/Game Refuge and Bird Sanctuary.

Based on the foregoing, it appears that there are **no forestlands under Map LC**-203 that were reclassified pursuant to RA 9145.

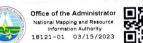
Attached are print copies of Map LC-203, map showing the plottings of Cadastral 800-D, PP No. 16, and LC-203, and copy of the LC Status Card of LC-203 for your reference.

For further queries, you may contact Forester Beata D. Batadlan, Chief, Land Classification Division, Resource Data Analysis Branch at telephone number (02) 8884-2863 or email her through bdbatadlan@namria.gov.ph.

Very truly yours,

PETER N. TIANGCO, PhD, CESO I

Administrator







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