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MEMORANDUM

TO :

The Regional Executive Director

DENR Region IVB- MIMAROPA

Roxas Blvd., Manila

FROM

The Assistant Secretary

Finance Information Systems and Mining Concerns

SUBJECT : CON

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CONSTRUCTION OF TUBBATAHA REEFS RANGER

STATION- PHASE II IN CAGAYANCILLO, PALAWAN

DATE

16 March 2023

This refers to the Memorandum of the Regional Executive Director Maria Lourdes G. Ferrer for the Secretary dated 04 May 2021, regarding the submission of the documentary requirements in support to the request for the release of the compensation paid by the US Government amounting to Fifty Eight Million Three Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Eighty Pesos Only (P58,375,080.00). The amount was allotted for the construction of Tubbataha Reef Ranger Station- Phase II in Cagayancillo, Palawan.

As a brief backgrounder, the said amount was part of the Eighty Seven Million Thirty Three Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Thousand and 71/100 (\$\mathbb{P}87,033,570.71)\$ paid by the US Government as a compensation for the coral reef damages in 2013 due to grounding of the US Ship MCM5 USS Guardian. The difference of \$\mathbb{P}28,658,490.71\$ was allocated to the Philippine Coast Guard. In a confirmation letter dated 05 September 2022 from the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr), stated that the amount was reclassified in the BTr National Government Books from the Trust Fund of DENR-OSEC to the Trust Fund of DENR IV-B MIMAROPA. The said amount was already released by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to DENR IV-B MIMAROPA per Advice of Notice of Cash Allocation Issued (ANCAI) No. NCA-BMB-E-22-0012041 dated 03 October 2022.

In this regard, we are transmitting a copy of the Office of the Secretary Routing and Action Slip indicating the approval of the Honorable Secretary Maria Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga on 14 February 2023, for your information and reference.

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