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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director, MIMAROPA

The Director, EMB
In concurrent capacity as Assistant Secretary
for Field Operations

FROM : The Director, In concurrent capacity as Assistant Secretary for
Policy, Planning and Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects

SUBJECT : **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INCIDENT REPORT OF SUNKEN
DIVE YACHT M/Y DREAM KEEPER IN TUBBATAHA REEFS
NATURAL PARK LAST 30 APRIL 2023**

DATE : JUN 02 2023

This is to acknowledge receipt of the incident reports from your Office, PENRO and PEMO Palawan, and EMB MIMAROPA on the sunken dive yacht M/Y Dream Keeper in Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park (TRNP) last April 30, 2023. The Bureau commends the actions of the PENRO and PEMO in coordination with the Philippine Coast Guard, but further recommends the following:

1. The actions being undertaken must also consider the conduct of valuation of damages to the coastal and marine environment and biodiversity in the TRNP and surrounding waters, as next steps from the mitigation of impacts of the sinking incident.
2. Remain vigilant, if not proactive, as to the possible spillage of the oil from the ill-fated M/Y Dream Keeper and continuously coordinate with the PCG for possible siphoning or removal of the wreck.

The Bureau is willing to provide assistance in any damage valuation activities/studies should the DENR MIMAROPA and its Field Offices require, as possible inputs to any administrative or legal cases to be filed.

For your information and consideration.


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