MNR Administrative Order)
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SUBJECT: Establishment of Certain Islands in the Provinces of Tawi-tawi, Palawan and Antique, as Marine Turtle Sanctuaries.

- 1. Pursuant to the purposes and intents of Executive Order No. 542, dated June 26, 1979, as amended, expressive of the strong desire of the President to bolster the conservation efforts on marine turtle resource in the country, the following islands/islets in the Province of Tawi-tawi, Palawan, and Antique are hereby declared and established as Marine Turtle Sanctuaries and henceforth withdrawn from alienation, disposition and exploitation:
 - a. Province of Tawi-tawi
 - 1. Bancauan Island
 - 2. Baguan Island
 - b. Province of Palawan
 - 1. Halog Island
 - 2. Tanobon island
 - Panata Cay
 - 4. Kota Islands
 - c. Province of Antique
 - 1. Panagatan Island
- 2. The killing or taking of marine turtles and gathering of its eggs and other wild animals or, the destruction or disturbance of the habitat of the wild animals found therein and in the portion of the surrounding seas, two hundred fifty (250) meters from shore at lowest tidal line are hereby prohibited.
- 3. Implementation of the provisions of this order shall be the responsibility of the Task Force Pawikan and all duly authorized members or representatives from the agencies of the Ministry of Natural Resources and other member agencies duly constituted in the Task Force Pawikan Council.
- 4. This Order takes effect immediately and amends/modifies/supercedes accordingly previous orders/memo-randa/instructions inconsistent herewith.

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