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SUBJECT

Deputizing the Barangay Captains of Gigmoto, Catanduanes as Forest Officers of the Ministry

of Natural Resources.

Sir:

Pursuant to Section 80 of Presidential Decree No. 705, the following are hereby deputized as FOREST OFFICERS of the Ministry of Natural Resources/Bureau of Forest Development, effective upon receipt hereof, of which this Office shall be informed accordingly.

Barangay Chairman/Captains		Berangaya
1. 2.	Norberto Pantaleon Pedro Chavez	Derorian Biong
3.	Salvador Tatel	San Pedro
4.	Felipe Turado	Sicmil

By virtue of this deputation, they are authorized to detect violations of the forestry laws/rules and regulations administered by the Bureau of Forest Development and to arrest, even without warrant, any person who has committed, is committing or is about to commit in your presence any of the offenses defined in Sections 68, 69, 70, 71 and 77 of Presidential Decree No. 705, within your territorial jurisdictions. They are also authorized to seize/confiscate the tools 1 dequipment used in committing the offense and the forest products cut, gathered or removed by the offender/s in the process of committing the offense. In all instances of detection, arrest and/or seizure or confiscations, they shall deliver thin the period prescribed by law from the time of arrest and seizure, the offender and the confiscated forest products, tools and equipment too, and file the proper

or plaint with, the appropriate official designated by law to conduct proliminary investigation and file the information in court through the District Function or Regional Director.

Pursuant to Section 45 of PD 705, they are authorized to administer an oath and take acknowledgement in official matters connected with the functions of their Office, and to take testimony in official investigations conducted under the authority of the Revised Forestry Code of the Philippines and its implementing rules and regulations.

They shall submit to the <u>District Forester, Virac, Catanduanes</u> a monthly report of the cases they have handled pursuant to this Order.

This deputation shall be automatically revoked upon termination of their tenure of Office unless sooner terminated by this Office.

Very truly yours.

ARNOID B. CACILI Deputy Minister

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Assistant Director

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