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SUBJECT : Deputizing the Barangay Captains of Buruanga, Aklan as Forest Officers of the Ministry of Natural Resources.

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.

<u>Barangay Chairman/Captains</u>	<u>Barangays</u>
1. Bonifacio Prado	Alegria
2. Teodora Panganiban	Bagongbayan
3. Antonio P. Panganiban	Balusbos
4. Valeriano C. Casidsid	Bel-is
5. Jaime P. Panganiban	Cabugan
6. Leopoldo Montalbo	El Progreso
7. Fermin Flores	Habana
8. Romeo S. Prado	Katipunan
9. Dionisio David	Mayopay
10. Benito Cadahing	Nazareth
11. Francisco Jacinto	Panilongan
12. Arlin Sualog	Poblacion
13. Sergio Dagohoy	Santander
14. Getulio Abadie	Tigum
15. Bartolome Elitong	Tag-osip
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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 and equipment 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 within 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

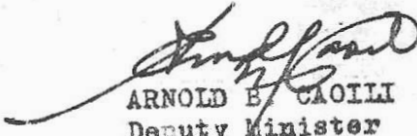
complaint with the appropriate official designated by law to conduct preliminary investigation and file the information in court through the District Forester or Regional Director.

As District Foresters of PD 115, they are authorized to administer at the law enforcement in official matters connected with the functions of the Department. Their testimony in official investigations conducted under the Department's Forest Code of the Philippines and its implementing decrees shall be valid.

They shall submit to the District Forester, Kalibo, Aklan report of the cases they have handled pursuant to this Order.

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

Very truly yours,


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