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Padilla, Negros Occidental as Forest Ufficers of the Ministry of Natural Resources.

v deputized as FOREST OFFICERS of the Ministry of Natural Resources/Bureau of Development, effective upon rebeipt hereof, of which this Office shall be overlapment.

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 tions 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 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

It with, the appropriate official disignated by law to conduct rary investigation and file the intermation in court through the District or Regional Director.

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

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

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

Very truly yours,

ARNOLD S. CAOILI Deputy Minister

" MMENDED BY:

JESUS B. ALVAREZ, JR. Assistant Director

Turnished:

Minister of Natural Resources, Diliman, Quezon City Chief, Forest Protection and Law Enforcement Division. BFD, Diliman, Quezon City

Regional Director, Region No. 5. Iloilo City District Forester, Bacolod City