Ministry of Natural Resources
OFFICE OF THE MINISTER
Diliman, Quezon City

APR 301984

STPATIVE ORDER)

as Forest Officers of the Ministry of Natural

Resources.

Bursuant to Section 80 of Presidential Decree No. 705, the following are here a deputized as FOREST OFFICERS of the Ministry of Natural Resources/Bureau of most Sevelopment, effective upon receipt hereof, of which this Office shall be commend accordingly.

mintue of this deputation, they are authorized to detect violations of the minws/rules and regulations administered by the Bureau of Forest Development and the committee, even without warrant, any person who has committee, is committing or but to commit in your presence any of the offenses defined in Sections 68, 69, and To of Presidential Decree No. 705, within your territorial jurisdiction. The also authorized to seize/confiscate the tools and equipment used in the offense and the forest products cut, gathered or removed by the offense in the process of committing the offense. In all instances of detection,

prest and/or seizure or confiscations, they shall deliver within the period presented 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 invistigation file the information in court through the District Forester or Regional Directs.

Pursuant to Section 45 of PD 705, they are authorized to administer an oath and take auknowledgement 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 Dis trict Forester, Ormoc City a monthly report of the cases they have handled pursuant to this Order.

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

Very bruly yours,

ARNOID CAOILI Deputy Minister

FECOMMENDED BY

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