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Ministry Administrative Order No. ______ Series of 1986

SUBJECT: Completion of Census of Forest Occupants

Pursuant to the provisions of the New Forestry Code of the Philippines and Letter of Instructions No. 1260 which mandates the census of all forest occupants, the BFD Field Offices is hereby directed to complete the census of forest occupants to provide the necessary data for an effective planning and implementation of community-based forestation programs and projects.

- 1. The census shall cover all forest occupants including kaingineros, squatters, cultural minorities and other residents within forest lands in accordance with the attached guidelines and procedures.
- 2. Priority shall be given to complete the census of forest occupants by the end of Calendar Year 1987.
- 3. The Forest Protection and Law Enforcement Division shall spearhead the census activity. All forest guards including deputized barangay officials and responsible private citizens, Social Forestry Officers, Parks and Game Wardens, Concession Guards and other BFD personnel shall be mobilized in the conduct of the census.
- 4. The BFD shall coordinate with the local government, OMACC, and other concerned government agencies in the census of forest occupants.
- 5. A quarterly report on the progress of census of forest occupants shall be submitted to the Social Forestry Division, BFD-CO, using the prescribed formats.
- 6. All expenses that shall be incurred in the complete census of forest occupants shall be chargeable against the Regional allotment subject to existing auditing and accounting regulations.

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Section 3. Penalties

1. Any person who shall, without written permission from the Director of the Bureau of Forest Development and/or from the Minister of Natural Resources or their authorized representatives, willfully cut, haul, sell and ship undersized logs, for any reason or another, shall be penalized in accordance with the applicable Forest and Internal Revenue Laws. In case of a licensee or permittee, cancellation of the existing timber license agreement or permit, and prohibiting the said licensee or permittee to enter into any form of contract with the government as far as utilization, exploitation and sale of forest resources are concerned.

Section 4. Repealing Clause

All orders, rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby revoked or amended accordingly.

Section 5. Effectivity

This order takes effect immediately.

Minister

Ministry of Natural Resources