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#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO

ALL REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

CAR, NCR, Regions 1-13

ATTN: PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL

**RESOURCES OFFICERS (PENROs)** 

Benguet Ifugao Abra

Kalinga Apayao **Mountain Province** 

Abra

Metro Manila

**Ilocos Norte Ilocos Sur** Pangasinan

Nueva Vizcaya Quirino Province Cagayan Valley

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Pampanga Bulacan Tarlac **Negros Oriental** 

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Misamis Oriental Davao del Norte Compostela Valley

Sarangani Agusan del Sur

Surigao del Sur

Nueva Ecija Aurora Quezon

Rizal

Mindoro Oriental

Palawan

Mindoro Occidental

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Masbate Iloilo

**Negros Occidental** 

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**Eastern Samar** Northern Samar Zamboanga del Sur

Bukidnon Camiguin **Davao Oriental** Davao del Sur Sultan Kudarat Surigao del Norte

**ALL ADR FOCAL PERSONS** ALL FOCAL ADR OFFICERS

FROM

ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS AND

CHAIRPERSON, ADR COMMITTEE

SUBJECT

CLARIFYING and SUPPLEMENTING INSTRUCTION ON THE ISSUANCE OF ORDER OF COMPROMISE AGREEMENT OR ORDER OF AMICABLE SETTLEMENT FOR CASES THAT REACHED A COMPROMISE AGREEMENT/AMICABLE SETTLEMENT

This Memorandum clarifies and supplements the instructions stated in the Memorandum of the ADR Committee dated 20 October 2022, entitled DIRECTING the REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND/OR PENROS TO TIMELY ACT ON THE ISSUANCE OF CORRESPONDING ORDER OF COMPROMISE AGREEMENT OR ORDER OF AMICABLE SETTLEMENT FOR CASES THAT REACHED A COMPROMISE AGREEMENT/AMICABLE SETTLEMENT.

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Monitoring and Results System (ADR-MRS) is able to accommodate the creation of user accounts for the PENR Officers (PENRO) and the Regional Executive Directors (RED). The PENR Officers or the Regional Executive Director, with their involvement in the ADR process in the DENR and for proper documentation, takes action on a document transmitted to them through the ADR-MRS, by following the recommended steps specified in the ADR-MRS User Manual. More particularly, they upload the Order of Compromise Agreement or Order of Amicable Settlement. This action of the PENRO or RED, as the case may apply, finally disposes of the case pending before the Department.

In cases where the PENRO or the RED does not have an ADR-MRS account, the ADRO assigned in either the PENR Office or the Regional Office, as the case may apply, may upload the signed Decision/Order Based on Compromise Agreement or Amicable Settlement and indicate in the applicable description in the actions taken menu, that an Order of Compromise Agreement (OCA) or Order of Settlement Agreement (OSA) was issued. (Please see Excerpt of User Manual on the Guide for Acting on/Approval of Compromise/Settlement Agreements at Annex A).

In cases where the PENR Office or Regional Office has no ADR-MRS account and has no ADR Officer, they may authorize personnel or an officer to create and access an ADR-MRS user account on behalf of the PENRO or RED and upload the signed Decision/Order Based on Compromise Agreement or Amicable Settlement and indicate in the applicable description in the actions taken menu, that an Order of Compromise Agreement (OCA) or Order of Settlement Agreement (OSA) was issued. The ADR Committee and/or its Secretariat shall be informed about the creation of those accounts, with the corresponding authorization document, evidencing the extent of the authority given to such personnel or officer, to do and perform each and every act which may be necessary for uploading, attaching and proper recording of the OCA or OSA in the System based on the User Manual. This is to ensure proper documentation of such authorization, determine liability if the need arises, and to ensure the confidentiality of the data in the MRS. (Please see Annex B for cases where the PENR Office or Regional Office has no ADR-MRS account and has no ADR Officer).

In cases where the PENR Office or Regional Office has no ADR-MRS account, has no ADR Officer, and cannot designate authorized personnel or officer to create and access an ADR-MRS user account on behalf of the PENRO or RED, the guidelines for the referral

of the subject cases to the appropriate ADRO, pursuant to DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2021-01 or "the Guidelines in the Creation of Pool of Alternative Dispute Resolution Officers (PADROs) and the Referral of Land Claims and Conflicts Cases Thereto" may be used suppletorily, in that the PENR Office or Regional Office which has no ADRO, may ask an ADRO from another PENR Office or Regional Office, as the case may apply, to upload the signed Decision/Order Based on Compromise Agreement or Amicable Settlement, and indicate in the applicable description in the actions taken menu, that an Order of Compromise Agreement (OCA) or Order of Settlement Agreement (OSA) was issued. (Please see <u>Annex C</u> for cases where the PENR Office or Regional Office has no ADR-MRS account, has no ADR Officer, and cannot designate authorized personnel or officer to create and access an ADR-MRS user account on behalf of the PENRO or RED).

For your guidance and compliance.

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#### **ANNEX A**

### Guide for Acting on/Approval of Compromise/Settlement Agreements

(This guide assumes that a User Account was already created pursuant to Part II of the ADR-MRS User Manual.)

If the CENRO has already TRANSMITTED the digital ADR case document through the System, the PENRO may be able to access the documents list menu by clicking the Documents Menu as marked by the red rectangle below.

DENR - Alternative Dispute Resolution Monitoring and Result System

♠ Home Dashboard

Documents

List

## **Documents List**



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The PENRO/RED or ADRO in PENRO may also select the Routing Status of the Document such as if the document is among the following categories:

- In transit the document has been sent from a lower level to the approving higher level but is pending approval from the latter.
- Received the document was received by one level, which can be any of the approving higher level (PENRO, RD, ASec) after being released by the lower level.
- Released the document has been released by a lower level, for instance the CENRO, and consequently has a document bearing the status of "In transit" while awaiting approval or action by the next level, such as the PENRO, in this case.

The following is the status of the document as Released by the CENRO-ADRO pending the approval of the PENRO.

## **Documents List**

C	ADRNo	Subject	CaseNo	<b>CaseNameCaptionParties</b>	LocationofSubjectoftheCase	Region	Province	CityMunicipality	ForwardDate	ForwardE	Routing Status
In Transit	0128001-	Claims and Conflict - Political Boundary Disputes	CENRO- 2019-456	Rodel Castro VS Amel Santos	Lot 12 Block 8 Rosario Center, Naic, Cavite	R4A	Cavite	Naic	4/1/2019	laoag 1	in Transit
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## PENRO Level:

After the CENRO-ADRO has transmitted the document, the PENRO will be able to see the said document as "In Transit", as illustrated below.

## **Documents List**

•	ADRNo	Subject	CaseNo	CaseNameCaptionParties	Locationof Subject of the Case	Region	Province	CityMunicipality	ForwardDate	ForwardB	Routing Statu
In Transit	128001-	IPARICAL BAHRAAN	1	Rodel Castro VS Arnel Santos	Lot 12 Block 8 Rosario Center, Naic, Cavite	R4A	Cavite	Naic	4/1/2019	laoag1	In Transit
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The PENRO will be able to take action of the document transmitted by the CENRO by following these steps:

- 1. Click the hyperlink (colored light blue) of the ADR Number.
- 2. The PENRO-ADRO is required to enter the Date Referred to ADRO, and press OK if done.

## **Documents List**

•	ADRNo	Subject	CaseNo	CaseNameCaptionParties	Location of Subject of the Case	Region	Province	CityMunicipality	Forward Date	ForwardBy	Routing Status
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Date Referred to ADRO	4/1/2019		
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Consequently, the PENRO will be able to Receive the transmitted document as illustrated by its Routing Status below:

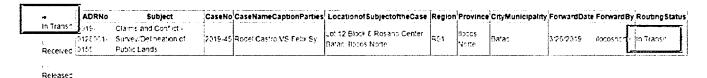
## **Documents List**

	0	ADRNo	Subject	CaseNo	CaseNameCaptionParties	Locationof Subjectof the Case	Region	Province	CityMunicipali	Routing Status
_						Lot 12 Block 8 Rosario Center, Natc. Caylte	R4A	Cavite	Naic	Received
ı	•		Boundary Disputes  Land Claims and Conflict - boundary	1.5.5			IRN1	liocos	Lacag City	Received
-	n		dispute Miscellaneous Sales Patent					None		
			Application	test duplicate	armin VS lawrence	Ŋ	R01	Norte	Lacag City	Received

## Regional Director Level:

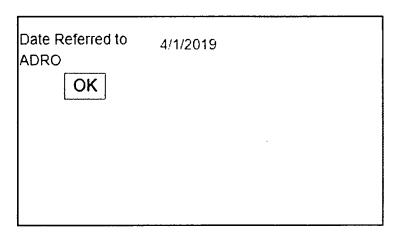
After the PENRO-ADRO has transmitted the document, the RED-ADRO will be able to see the said document as "In Transit", as illustrated below.

#### **Documents List**



The RED or ADRO in Regional Office will be able to take action of the document transmitted by the PENRO by following these steps:

- 1. Click the hyperlink (colored light blue text) of the ADR Number.
- 2. The RD-ADRO is required to enter the Date Referred to ADRO, and press OK if done.



### Guide for Acting on/Approval of Compromise/Settlement Agreements

The following is an excerpt from the ADR-MRS User Manual to guide PENR Officers and REDs on the steps for acting on or approval of a compromise and settlement agreement, for purposes of issuing an Order of Compromise Agreement (OCA) or Order of Settlement Agreement (OSA):

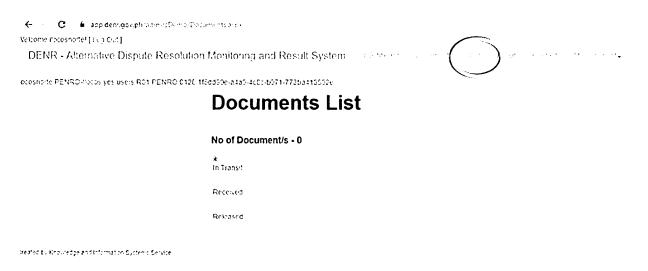
After a lower level office has completed the ADR-MRS process of **Transmitting a Compromise or Settlement Agreement**, an Administering Officer (PENRO/RED), in the following levels are entitled to act upon the CA pursuant to Sec. 31 of DAO 2016-30:

- CENRO transmits CA to be acted upon by PENRO;
- PENRO act on the CA from CENRO;
- Regional Office act on CA Submitted by ADRO of Regional Office or endorsed by PENRO

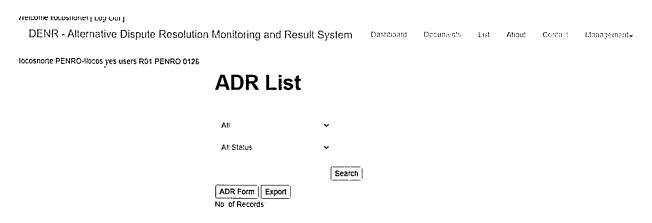
LMB act on CA on Claims within its jurisdiction;

 Assistant Secretary for Legal Affairs (Central Office) - Act on CA Conducted on Appeal

To look for the ADR documents pending for action by the PENRO, the <u>List Menu</u> as encircled below must be clicked.



In the ADR List Menu, click the Search button to display the list of ADR cases which was acted by your office.



In the illustrated case below, an ADRO or an Administering Officer in the PENR Office will be able to add a new action for the issuance of OCA/OSA, to act upon the CA/SA transmitted by the CENRO, by following the steps below:

• Click the Add New Action button under the Actions Taken Menu.

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#### **ADR Form**

Transmit

	2019-0120001-0135
ADR No	2019-012-001-0125
Nature of Subject	Claims and Conflict on Issuan •
Case No	CENRO-2019-4593
Parties involved	Claiment/Applicant *
Claimant	Ruby Tinio
Applicant	Febr By
Case Name / Caption Parties	
Location of Subject of the Can	Lot 12 Block & Rosano Center Pi
Region	R01 •
Province	Rocos Norie +
City / Municipality	Pacay *:
Date Filed	125/2018
Date Referred to ADRO	1/11/2019
UpdatedBy	leceg1
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#### **Actions taken**

Add New Action									
StatusoftheCase	Dottella Action Tabon	Data Action Taken	OfficeLevel	ADROHM					
Compromise	Compromise Agreement approved by CENRO Officer on 1 January 2019		CENTO	hest test laceg1					

#### **Comments**

Add New Comment

#### **Attachments**

PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING BEGLINGED FORUS

# **Actions taken**

Add New Action				
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Compromise	Compromise Agreement approved by CENRO Officer on 1 January 2019		ICENRO	test test laoag1

# **Comments**

Add New Comment

- In the actions taken menu, select the Status of the Case dropdown menu and select the option Order of Compromise Agreement Issued.
- Similar action must be taken when selecting the Status of the Case which is Order of Amicable Settlement Issued.
- Enter the necessary details, such as the Details of the Action taken and the Date when the Action was Taken.
- Then press the Save Action Taken button to complete the process.

# **Actions taken**

Status of the Case

OCA Issued

Details Action Taken

CA is compliant with DAO 2016-3

Date Action Taken

4/1/2019

Handling ADR Officer

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Office Level

**PENRO** 

ActionTaken Updated Date

Save Action Taken | Delete Action Taken | Cancel Action Taken

Updated: Status Name: Order of Compromise Agreement Issued.

The following can illustrate an example of an action taken by the PENRO to act upon the compromise agreement from the CENRO.

# **Actions taken**

Add New Action				
StatusoftheCase	DetailsActionTaken	DateActionTaken	OfficeLevel	ADROfficer
OCA Issued	CA is compliant with DAO 2016-30	4/1/2019	IPENRO	Norte user Ilocos
Successful - Compromise Agreement Reached	Compromise Agreement approved by CENRO Officer on 20 January 2019	1/1/2019	ICENRO	test test laoag1

#### ANNEX B

## If PENRO/RED no User Account; and no ADRO in said Offices PENRO/RED ADR Committee / or Authorization submitted to **Authorizes** with Secretariat **Document** Personnel or Officer Create and Access User Account Output: Uploaded/Attached and ADR-MRS Recorded OCA/OSA AND; If PENRO/RED cannot designate authorized personnel or officer to create and access user account; (see next diagram)

### **ANNEX C**

