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25 July 2023

MEMORANDUM

TO : **THE DIRECTOR IN CONCURRENT CAPACITY**
Biodiversity Management Bureau
Forest Management Bureau
Environmental Management Bureau

THE DIRECTOR
Land Management Bureau

THE OIC-DIRECTOR
Mines and Geosciences Bureau

FROM : **THE UNDERSECRETARY**
Undersecretary for Organizational Transformation and Human Resources
DENR Central Office, Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR DATA RE: DENR CAMPAIGN AGAINST ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2022 TO JUNE 20, 2023**

Reference: Later dated 17 July 2023 from Undersecretary Gilbert D.C. Cruz, Executive Director, Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission (PAOCC).

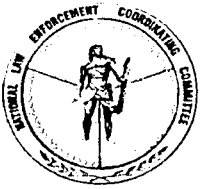
In connection with the above, we are requesting your offices for the following data covering the period from July 1, 2022 to June 20, 2023:

- a. List of forest, mineral, and wildlife products apprehended by your office;
- b. Copies of issuances released against violators of different environmental laws;
- c. Reports on operations conducted by your office;
- d. Significant developments in the campaign against environmental crimes; and
- e. Relevant information on the environmental situation of the country

The requested data shall be provided to the ELEPS NLT **31 July 2023**.

For your strict and immediate compliance.


AUGUSTO D. DELA PEÑA



**NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE
SUB-COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZED CRIME**



**Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission
NALECC SCOC Chair/Secretariat**

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July 17, 2023

MA. ANTONIA YULO-LOYZAGA

Secretary

Department of Environment and Natural Resources
DENR Bldg. Visayas Avenue, Diliman
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THRU: DIR. REUEL N SORILLA
Director, ELEPS

Dear **SECRETARY YULO-LOYZAGA:**

*Reference: (A) Updating the Serious Organized Crime Threat Assessment (SOCTA) Handbook; (B) Mandate of National Law Enforcement Coordinating Committee-Sub-Committee on Organized Crime (NALECC-SCOC), where the **Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)** is one of the member-agencies which actively participates in the Sub-Committee's projects and activities.*

In view of this mandate, the Commission would like to invite your office to participate in a **Focus Group Discussion (FGD)** on **August 3, 2023, from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM, at the Maringal Hall, 4F, PNP Forensic Group, Camp Crame, Quezon City.**

Furthermore, we respectfully request the following data covering the period from **July 01, 2022 to June 30, 2023** for the accomplishment of SOCTA handbook relative to **environmental crimes:**

- a. Information Relative to DENR's campaign against Environmental Crimes:
 - List of forest, mineral, and wildlife products apprehended by the DENR and its line bureaus;

- Copies of issuances released by the DENR and its line bureaus against violators of different environmental laws; and,
 - Reports on operations conducted by the Environmental Protection and Enforcement Task Force (EPETF) and the DENR line bureaus against violators.
- b. Significant developments in the campaign against environmental crimes that took place during the covered period; and,
- c. Relevant information on the environmental situation of the country (e.g. tabulation of remaining forest as of June 30, 2023)

Should you have any queries concerning this research project, your staff may directly contact **LYEN CAREL T. GARCIA** of the SOCTA Research Team at the number indicated above or through mobile number (+63)981-264-6325.

Rest assured that any information or data provided will be treated with utmost confidentiality and none of the participants will be identified in the output or report. Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,



USEC GILBERTO DC CRUZ
Executive Director, PAOCC
Chairman, MALECC-SCOC