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SUBJECT: MNR Week Committee on Regional/National Consultations

In line with the celebration of the MNR Week on May 13-17, 1985, and pursuant to Special Order No. 79, series of 1985, which created, among others, a Committee on Regional/National Consultations tasked with formulating a major policy document for the Ministry which will serve as the basis for major policy pronouncements to be made by the President/Minister on the occasion of MNR Week on May 17th, this Order is being issued for the information and guidance of all concerned.

Regional consultations shall be conducted to identify and evaluate critical policy issues and problems in natural resource management in each region. These consultations shall be conducted in the form of half-day public forums to be presided by the Regional Directors and attended by other senior MNR regional officials, officials of other government ministries/agencies involved in resource management, local government officials, MNR clients as well as by the academic sector. Staff from NRMC, MNR Planning Service and the Bureaus/attached agencies shall serve as facilitators during the forums. These regional consultations are tentatively scheduled on April 15-29, 1985. (The exact dates of the forums for each region shall be set on or before April 3, 1985.)

Following the regional consultations, a national consultation forum to discuss, review and validate the policies and issues identified during the regional forums, shall be held on May 13, 1985 in Manila to be presided by the Minister and attended by top MNR officials, Bureau and attached agencies officials, regional directors, other government key officials, the private sector and representatives from the academe.

To ensure the effective conduct of the regional/national consultations and facilitate the formulation of the policy document, the following sub-committees are hereby formed:


1. A Technical Sub-Committee to be composed of inter-agency staff within MNR and chaired by the Chief, Resource Policy and Strategy Research Division, NRMC. This Committee shall be

directly responsible for the formulation of the policy document and shall submit to the Executive Committee on Consultations the final draft of said document on or before May 9th.

2. Regional Steering Sub-Committees shall be set up in each region to be composed of the Regional Directors of the 3 Bureaus and/or designated staff. The Chairman of this Committee shall be chosen from among the Regional Directors in the region. This Committee shall identify the participants in the forum other than MNR officials and coordinate with the Technical Committee with regard to the conduct of the regional consultations.
3. Regional Secretariat. This group shall be composed of regional inter-agency personnel to be designated by the Regional Steering Sub-Committee. It shall be involved in all the preparatory work for the forum as well as in the conduct of the forum itself, such as setting of venue, sending and follow-up of invitations, preparation of forum materials, provision of other logistics and general secretariat work.

All sub-committees shall operate under the direct supervision and management of the designated committee chairman, Acting Director-General Ricardo M. Umali of the Natural Resources Management Center.

Expenses for the regional forums shall be shared on a pro-rata basis by the regional bureaus concerned and chargeable against their respective offices. Expenses for the national consultation forum shall be shouldered by the MNR, Bureaus and attached agencies (Central offices). Travelling and other allowable expenses of the teams of facilitators shall be chargeable against their respective offices/agencies.

  
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