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SUBJECT: Creating a Committee to implement
"Operation Sakay" pursuant to MNR
Special Order No. 655 dated October
30, 1986.

- 1. In the interest of the service and in order to ensure an effective implementation of "Operation Sakay", a Committee composed of the following is hereby created, to wit:
 - 1.1 DM Bienvenido O. Marquez, Jr. (MNR)- Chairman
 - 1.2 Dir. Cirilo B. Serna (BFD) Vice-Chariman
 - 1.3 Atty. Rudy P. Palecpec (BFD-FPLED) Coordinator
 - 1.4 For. Romeo Perez (BFD-FPLED) Member
 - 1.5 Mr. Martino Osite (BFD-LD) Member
 - 1.6 Ms. Portia Abaca (MNR) Secretariat
- 2. The Committee shall initially implement this project in the province of Quezon with the following functions, namely:
 - 2.1 To determine areas where illegal cutting and transporting of forest products are perpetrated,
 - 2.2 To identify personnel of the Ministry directly involved or in caboot, with forest users and ascertain participation of other government employees, if any,
 - 2.3 To create additional Teams to counteract these nefarious activities and assign competent personnel of the Ministry thereto,
 - 2.4 To conduct investigations, if necessary,
 - 2.5 To file appropriate charges against erring personnel and/or other persons, if evidence warrants,

and to forward copies of reports to government agencies concerned for proper action against their personnel found involved in illegal activities,

- 2.6 To formulate measure to curtail/stop the illegal utilization of forest resources.
- 2.7 To recommend, from time to time, to the Minister other provinces similarly situated where same operations shall be conducted; and
- 2.8 To submit corresponding comprehensive reports to the Minister.
- 3. The Committee is authorized to issue appropriate subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and/or production of documents in connection herewith;
- 4. The Committee is authorized to engage the services of any member-agency of the Forest Law Enforcement Sub-Committee under the NALECC for such assistance as the circumstances may require;
- 5. The Chairman/Vice-Chairman shall give a pre-departure briefing to the members before they carry out any mission and sign/approve their respective Travel Orders;
 - 5.1 The Coordinator shall supervise the activities of the members and monitor to the Chairman/Vice-Chairman the progress of all current missions,
 - 5.2 The members shall undertake the desired field activities with prudence and dedication, and
 - 5.3 The Secretariat shall maintain a systematic compilation of all reports and correspondence pertaining to "Operation Sakay" and shall keep same as <u>Confidential</u>.
- 6. For mobility and security, the BFD shall provide vehicle for field activities in pursuit of this project and/or allow the members of the Teams to hire special conveyances and entitled to reimbursement thereof including per diems and other incidental expenses incurred chargeable against the funds of their respective division/units, subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 7. This Order takes effect immediately and remain in force unless revoked in writing.

RECOMMENDING APPROVAL:

SIENVENIDO O. MARQUEZ, JR.

Deputy Minister

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