

MINISTRY OF  
NATURAL RESOURCES

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SUBJECT: Creation of A Special Forest Law  
Enforcement Unit under the Office  
of the Minister

1. As one of the initial measures adopted towards the rationalization of the enforcement of forest and related laws, rules and regulations with the view of attaining uniformity and effectiveness in their application, a Special Forest Law Enforcement Unit under the Office of the Minister is hereby created.
2. The Unit shall be composed of a Chief, an Assistant Chief, and at least five (5) members, to be assisted by a Secretariat assigned for the purpose, and shall perform the following functions:
  - 2.1 Review existing forest law enforcement regulations with the view of making them responsive to current and emergent realities;
  - 2.2 Recommend to the Minister appropriate policies, guidelines and instructions for the effective protection and conservation of the forest resources. This shall include, but not limited to, the revocation of regulations which are deemed already obsolete, the strengthening of those considered weak, and the promulgation of new ones necessary to support Government thrusts and directions;
  - 2.3 Coordinate the activities of the forest law enforcement units of the BFD/WIDA to achieve uniformity in interpretation and application without sacrificing resource protection, conservation, and maximum utilization;
  - 2.4 Perform such other related functions as may be assigned by the Minister.
3. In the pursuance of its assigned functions, the Unit shall undertake field work whenever necessary and is

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hereby authorized to seek the assistance of any official or employee under the Ministry.

4. The Unit shall be entitled to reasonable travelling expenses and other allowances as may be allowed under existing laws and regulations, chargeable against the funds of the Ministry of Natural Resources, subject to applicable accounting and auditing regulations.
5. This Order shall take effect immediately.

  
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