



DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES

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DENR SPECIAL ORDER
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SUBJECT : Creation of a Steering Committee for the
Integrated Protected Areas System (IPAS)
Legislation.

Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order No. 192 mandating the DENR to formulate and recommend policies, guidelines, rules, and regulations for the establishment, management and development of the Integrated Protected Areas System (IPAS) for the Philippines, and as part of the major activities of the IPAS Project Study currently being undertaken with the World Bank, a Steering Committee for the preparation of the IPAS Legislation is hereby constituted:

1. Composition

- 1.1 Director Delfin Ganapin, Jr. (EMB) - Chairman
- 1.2 Asst. Director Samuel Penafiel (PAWB) - Member
- 1.3 Ms. Diane Alegre (DENR Planning/Policy) Member
- 1.4 Atty. Amado S. Tolentino, Jr. - Consultant

2. Functions

2.1 To undertake a study and review of the basic concepts and legal principles that may be applicable for the establishment, management and development of the IPAS in the Philippines;

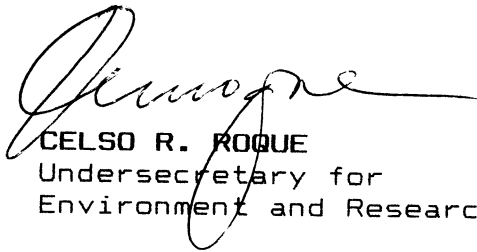
2.2 To conduct a thorough review and assessment of all existing policies and guidelines, rules and regulations governing the use, conservation, management, protection and development of national parks and other protected areas, including the resources therein.

2.3 To identify legislative and policy gaps for inclusion in the preparation of the IPAS legislation.

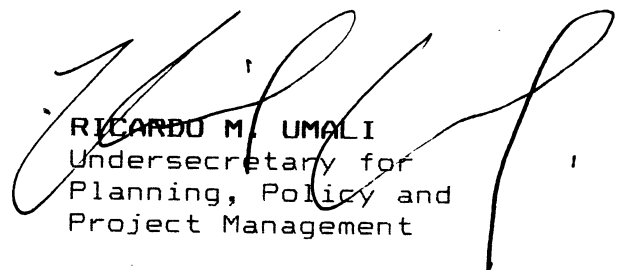
2.4 To prepare action plans for the development of the IPAS legislation.

The Steering Committee, whenever necessary, may call upon the assistance of other DENR officials and personnel in the official discharge of its functions.

This Order takes effect immediately and shall remain in force unless otherwise revoked or amended by the authorized issuing authorities.



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