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DENR SPECIAL ORDER No. **48** Series of 1990

SUBJECT: Authorizing DENR personnel to implement Order dated January 23, 1990 issued by Secretary
Fulgencio S. Factoran, Jr.

In the interest of service and in order to ensure public safety within Metro Manila given the reported growth of a deadly virus in the Philippine monkey, the following are hereby authorized to follow through the information required to be given by Mr. Reynaldo Uy regarding the local disposition of the monkeys formerly held in his facilities in Sampaloc, Manila:

Forester Roberto Belen -FIC
Forester Albino Belen -FIC
Claudia Cabrera -OSEC
Julius Saguiguit -PAWB
Don Abarientos -FAWB

The Composite team are authorized to confiscate the monkeys found to be disposed by Mr. Uy to the different petshops and to likewise confiscate monkeys found in the petshops which are not covered by a Wildlife Collector's Permit issued by this Department.

The team is hereby required to submit a report on this task immediately.  $\frown$ 

FULGENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR.
Secretary



## 23 January 1990

RE: REVOKING EXPORT PRIVILEGES GRANTED TO MR. REYNALDO UY

## ORDER

According to a report received by the DENR last 22 January 1990 from the Department of Health, a second Philippine Monkey has grown the deadly Ebola virus. This animal was exported by Mr. Reynaldo Uy with a monkey holding facility in his backyard at 2273 Tortuosa Street, Sampaloc, Manila.

The DOH reported that Mr. Uy refused to allow inspection of his holding facility nor collection of blood samples by DOH representatives. He further informed the DOH representatives that he will sell the said monkeys locally, if he will not be allowed to export them.

The DENR, therefore, on 22 January 1990, created a team composed of representatives from the DOH, Bureau of Animal Industry, PIC/SAID and PAWB. Again, Mr. Uy refused to allow inspection of his holding facility but informed the team that he had disposed of all his inventory of menkeys.

To prevent the exportation of infected mankeys, and considering that Mr. Uy had exhibited bad faith regarding the matter when he refused to allow inspection of his holding facility and by disposing monkeys probably infected by the Ebola virus, the clearance to issue CITES permits to Mr. Uy for the export of twenty-four (24) heads of Philippine mankey (Macaca Eascicularis), which is part of the seventy-four heads covered by our letter-clearance dated 9 October 1989 is hereby revoked.

Mr. Reynaldo Uy is hereby ordered to allow the DENR Composite Team to inspect his holding facility, collect blood samples from remaining monkeys in his facility, and provide information on the disposition of monkeys made during the months of November and December, 1989 and January, 1990.

This Order will be effective immediately without prejudice to further action this office may take later on regarding this matter.

FULLENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR.