

SPECIAL ORDER NO. **1/30** Series of 1981 NOV 2 8 1991

SUBJECT

Amending Special Order No. 1018, Series of 1991 to Provide for the Revised Membership of the Organizing Committee Responsible for All Preparations Leading to the Philippine Hosting of the "Technical Workshop to Explore Options for Global Forest Management (The Follow-Up Meeting)"

In the interest of the service, the membership of the Organizing Committee created as per Special Order No. 1018, Series of 1081, for the purpose of taking charge of physical and technical preparations necessary for the Philippine hosting of the above-mentioned Workshop, including those preparations for the Preparatory Committee Meeting for the Workshop, is hereby amended to be composed of the following:

Director Cirilo B. Serna (FMB) Chairman Director Carlos C. Tomboc (ERDB)
Director Emmanuel D. Bello (FPRDI) Member Member Director Sinesio M. Mariano (FDC-UPLBCF)-Member Director Romeo T. Acosta (DENR-Reg. 8) Member Director Leslie J. Baja (DFA-UNIO). Member Director Rodrigo U. Fuentes (EMB) Member Dr. Segundino U. Foronda (PCARRD) Member Mr. Leonardo D. Angeles (PWPA) Member Ms. Aimee T. Gonzales (DENR-HEA/OSEC) Member Mr. Eriberto C. Argete (PPSO) Member Mr. Robert S. Jara (FASPO) Member

The Secretariat of the DENR's ITTO Task Force shall assist the ITTO Secretariat based in Yokohama, Japan in all the Secretariat work needed for the Workshop.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall cease upon completion of the said Workshop.

FUNCENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR. Secretary

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PHILIPPINE HOSTING OF THE "TECHNICAL WORKSHOP
TO EXPLORE OPTIONS FOR GLOBAL FOREST MANAGEMENT (THE FOLLOW-UP MEETING)"
HELD ON 13 NOVEMBER 1991 AT ASEC GANAPIN'S CONFERENCE ROOM

A. Attendance:

Director Cirilo B. Serna 1. FMB 2. Mr. Bayani S. Nera FMB 3. Ms. Mayumi Quintos FMB 4. Director Carlos C. Tomboc **ERDB** 5. Dr. Segundino U. Foronda **PCARRD** €. Dr. Wilfredo M. America **FPRDI** 7. Dr. Sinesio M. Mariano FDC-UPLBCF 8. Director Romeo T. Acosta DENR-Region 8 Mr. Ronald A. Villanueva DENR-HEA/OSEC 10. Mr. Robert S. Jara **FASPO** 11. Mr. Eriberto C. Argete **PPSO** 12. Ms. Fe G. Loo **PPSO** 13. Ms. Nenita R. Zabala PPS0 Ms. Marlene C. Arzaga PPS0 Ms. Ma. Teresa M. Enriquez PPS0

- B. The Meeting started at about 9:25 A.M. with Director Cirilo B. Serna of the Forest Management Bureau (FMB) presiding.
- The body was informed as to the brief background that led to the Philippine commitment to host the "Technical Workshop to Explore Options for Global Forest Management (The Follow-Up Meeting)", i.e., Secretary Factoran made a commitment to host the said workshop during his meeting with Gaimusho officials during the course of the Eco Asia '91 Conference in Tokyo provided funds will be made available from ITTO and other international funding bodies. The body was further informed that DENR has already approached the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in Manila as per suggestion of the Philippine Embassy in Tokyo for additional funding assistance needed for the Workshop. (Total funding requirement amounts to US\$250,000. will provide US\$100,000 and there is about US\$22,000 to US\$30,000 left from the previous workshop held in Bangkok in April 1991). The body learned that ADB has indicated to provide about US\$100,000. Hence, the total amount expected to be available on hand is about US\$222,000 to US\$230,000, which is a little bit short of the total funding needed amounting to With this information/development, it was agreed upon that DENR will request ITTO to seek for the remaining funding required by approaching other possible financing institutions in asmuch as the main concern of the Philippines is to make the proper arrangements for the hosting of the workshop and that ITTO should be the one held responsbile in seeking the funding needed.
- D. The body was informed that ITTO wants a written commitment from ADB that it will soon be releasing the US\$100,000 it indicated to contribute for the Workshop so that ITTO will allow portion of its own contribution (amounting to US\$100,000 also) to be spent for the Preparatory Committee Meeting for

the Workshop. With regard to this matter, the body agreed on the following:

- i) that DENR should write ADB to convey ITTO's demand
- ii) that DENR should inquire from ITTO of their estimated budget to be spent for the Preparatory Committee Meeting for the workshop which will be held in Yokohama, Japan in conjunction with the 11th Session of the International Tropical Timber Council or ITTC. ITTO is suggesting that the Preparatory Committee Meeting be held starting afternoon of 30 November 1991 and to be continued in the morning of 01 December 1991 (as per information received thru phone from Mr. Lachlan Hunter, ITTO's Assistant Director for Management Services). Mr. Hunter informed (also thru phone) that the expenses for the Preparatory Committee Meeting would be borne or paid out of the total funding for the Workshop amounting to US\$250,000.
- E. The body was likewise informed that ITTO could advise the Philippines regarding the producing and consuming country members as well as international organizations which should be participating in the Preparatory Committee Meeting for the Workshop. A comment was made that it is most likely that it is ITTO that will make the selection of participating countries and international organizations.
- F. The body considered the initial discussion paper prepared by Mr. Acosta, Regional Technical Director of Region 8. After a lengthy discussion, the body came up with the polished discussion paper aimed to be presented at the Preparatory Committee Meeting for the Workshop (please refer to the attachment).
- G. The body was informed that Mr. Hunter indicated (thru phone also) that there is difficulty in holding the Technical Workshop in January 1992 considering that there should be ample time in preparing the technical papers to be presented, and ITTO (thru Mr. Hunter) is suggesting that the workshop be held instead in April 1992. It was pointed out that the proceedings of the Workshop need to be presented to the meeting of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in June 1992. Relatedly, it was opined that it would be better to hold the Workshop in March 1992 in order to have sufficient time in preparing the proceedings of the Workshop for submission to UNCED. It was agreed that this matter be brought to the attention of the Secretary and that the prefered month (March) be subjected to his approval/clearance.
- H. It was agreed that the Special Order constituting the creation of an Organizing Committee for the Workshop be amended to include Mr. Acosta and a representative from the Environmental Management Bureau (Ms. Amy Lecciones) and the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA).
- I. It was advised that DENR should secure from EMB a copy of the Philippine National Report on Environment and Development which is for submission to UNCED.
- J. The Meeting was adjourned at about 11:10 A.M.