



DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES

JUL 16 1991

SPECIAL ORDER)
NO. 639 :
SERIES OF 1991)

SUBJECT: Deputation of Mr. Domingo Ochoa of Isabela Indigenous Cultural Communities Foundation, Inc., Palanan, Isabela, Region II

Pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 705 as amended, and LOI No. 550 and in order to assist the DENR in curbing/stopping timber smuggling and all other illegal activities involving destruction, and exploitation of the natural resources in Region II as recommended by RED Leonardo A. Paat, Mr. Domingo Ochoa is hereby deputized as Forest Officer of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, effective upon taking his oath of office.

By virtue of this deputation, he is authorized to detect/investigate violations of forestry laws, rules and regulations, and to arrest even without warrant any person who has committed, is committing or is about to commit in his presence any of the offenses defined in Chapter IV of Presidential Decree No. 705 as amended within his territorial jurisdiction.

He is also authorized to seize/confiscate the tools and equipment used in committing the offense and the forest products cut, gathered or removed by the offender(s) in the process of committing the offense. In all instances of detection, arrest and/or seizure or confiscation he shall deliver within period as prescribed by law from the time of arrest and seizure, the offender(s) and confiscated forest products, tools and equipment, including the conveyance/s used and file the proper complaint with the appropriate officials designated by law to conduct preliminary investigation and file the information in court through the RED/PENRO/CENRO concerned.

He is further authorized to administer oath and take acknowledgement in official matters connected with the functions of his Office and to take testimony in official investigations conducted under the authority of the Revised Forestry Code, as amended and its implementing rules and regulations.

He shall submit to the RED concerned, thru the PENRO/CENRO a monthly report of the cases he had handled pursuant to this deputation order.

This deputation shall expire on December 31, 1991 or unless sooner revoked by this Office.

SO ORDERED _____.

VICTOR O. RAMOS
Undersecretary for
Field Operations