



DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES

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SUBJECT: Deputation of the following AFP Officers as
Forest Officers of the Department of
Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)

Pursuant to Section 80 of Presidential Decree No. 705, as amended, the following officers of the Armed Forces of the Philippines are hereby deputized as Forest Officers of the DENR to exercise the power and authority provided in the aforesaid law effective upon receipt hereof.

1. Brig. Commander 404th Infantry Division, PA
2. Brig. Commander 407th Infantry Division, PA
3. Brig. Commander 403rd Infantry Division, PA
4. Brig. Commander 603th Infantry Division, PA

By virtue of this deputation, they are authorized to detect/investigate violations of forestly laws and regulations administered by the DENR and to arrest even without warrant any person who has committed, is committing or is about to commit in their presence any of the offense defined in Sections 68, 69, 70, 71 and 77 of PD 705, as amended, within their respective jurisdiction.

They are also authorized to seize/confiscate the tools and equipment used in committing the offense and the forest products cut, gathered or removed by the offenders in the process of committing the offense. In all instances of detection, arrest and/or seizure or confiscation, they shall deliver within the period prescribed by laws from the time of arrest and seizure the offender and the confiscated forest products, tools and equipment and file the proper complaint with the appropriate officials designated by law to conduct preliminary investigation and file the information in court through the DENR's CENRO/PENRO or Regional Executive Director concerned.

Pursuant to Section 45 of PD 705, as amended, they are authorized to administer oath and take acknowledgment in official matters connected with the functions of their office and to take testimony in official investigation conducted under the authority of the Revised Forestry Code of the Philippines and the implementing rules and regulations.

This deputation expires March 31, 1991 or after the completion of all the activities of Project FAST II, whichever comes first. Project FAST II is being implemented by the DENR and Aero-Forest Resources, Inc. in coordination with the Department of National Defense.



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