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SUBJECT: Deputizing PACC Agents 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 PACC Agents are hereby deputized as DENR Forest Officers to exercise the power or authority provided for in the aforceited law effective upon receipt hereof which this office shall be informed accordingly.

	<u>name</u>	DESIGNATION/PROFESSIO
1.	Fiscal Severino Gana	State Prosecutor
2.	Atty. Cesar Ycaro	NBI Field Agent
3.	Atty. Benigno Manga	EIIB Chief Investigator
4.	Justiniano Asuncion	EIIB Intel. Officer
5.	Mr. Leo Cueto	BID Agent
6.	Atty. Sotero Hernandez	NBI Agent
7.	Mr. Cesar Sanchez	NAPOLCOM - PEO
8.	Mr. Raul Abrico	NICA Agent

By virtue of this deputation, and in coordination with the CENRO/PENRO/RED concerned, they are authorized to detect/investigate violations of Forestry Laws, Rules and Regulations administered by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to arrest even without warrant any persons who committed, is committing or about to commit in his/their presence any of the offenses defined in Chapter IV of Presidential Decree No. 705, as amended, and further amended by Executive Order No. 277 dated 25 July, 1987.

They are also authorize to seize and 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, they shall deliver within the period prescribed by law from the time of arrest and seizure, the offender(s) and the confiscated products, tools and equipment used and file the proper complaint with the appropriate officials designated by law to conduct preliminary investigation and likewise file the information in Court through the CENRO/PENRO/RED concerned.

They are further authorized to administer oath and take acknowledgement on official matters connected with the functions of their 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.

They shall submit to the Secretary, DENR a monthly report of the cases they have handled pursuant to this deputation order.

This deputation authorizes them only to exercise the power and authority conferred herein and shall automatically cease or revoke upon termination of their services as PACC Agents or upon terminated sooner by this Office on the following grounds:

- 1. When they have violated any of the provisions of PD 705, as amended, and other Forestry Laws, Rules and regulations;
- When proven guilty of aiding, abetting or conniving with any forest violator(s); and
- 3. When found to have abused the authority and powers granted herein as deputy forest officer.

Undersecretary for Natura Resources Management and Field

Operations