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SPECIAL ORDER NO. 97 - $\frac{13}{4}$

SUBJECT: REVOKING DENR MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 97-01

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 493 dated 03 December 1991 mandating removal of red tape, reduction of clearance requirements for inter-island vessels and thereby directing all heads of government offices concerned to deputize or to delegate to the Philippine Port Authority (PPA) their respective functions with respect to the issuance of appropriate clearances for every departure or arrival of domestic vessels, DENR Memorandum Order No. 97-01, Series of 1997 institutionalizing the Port Integrated Clearance Office (PICO) within the Forest Management Services (FMS) of the DENR Regional offices, is hereby revoked. Spot checks and apprehensions of illegal forest products within the port premises, however, shall continue to be performed by DENR Forest Offices under existing forestry laws. rules and regulations.

In view hereof, all regional offices concerned are hereby advised to coordinate with their respective Local PPA offices on the implementation of the abovestated Executive Order.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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Secretary

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