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SPECIAL ORDER
No. 97- 1358

**SUBJECT: CREATION OF TASK FORCE TO HANDLE THE ISSUES
OVER MINING/QUARRYING IN LIBERTAD, ANTIQUE**

In the interest of public service, a task force is hereby created to address the mining/quarrying issues in Libertad, Antique, particularly:

1. Issuance of the ECC for small-scale mining, sand and gravel projects;
2. Issuance of Cease and Desist Order on the matter of the quarry operations of Tudor Mineral Exploration, Corp. (TMEC).

It shall recommend to the Secretary through the Undersecretaries for Field Operations, Environment and Programs Development and Legal and Legislative Affairs policy issuances on the matter.

The task force shall be composed of the following:

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| 1. Michael Cabalda | -Chairperson | MGB |
| 2. Atty. Carmelo Segui | -Vice-Chairperson | EMB |
| 3. J.M. Glenn Batilando | | Fields Operations |
| 4. Noelina Miran | | EPD |
| 5. Felipe Arevalo III | | Legal |
| 6. Analiza Te h | | Legal |

The task force shall be authorized to conduct meetings, consultations and field visits to the Province of Antique. It shall also be authorized to have access to DENR Central Office and Regional personnel and official records/documents in pursuit of its objectives.

All expenses incurred by the task force shall be chargeable against the funds of the respective offices subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures.

This order shall take effect immediately.

VICTOR O. RAMOS
Secretary