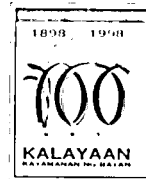




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DENR SPECIAL ORDER  
NO. 97- 232

SUBJECT : CREATION OF A TEAM TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION ON  
THE REPORTED ILLEGAL LOGGING ACTIVITIES IN  
REGION II.

In the interest of the service and pursuant to the mandate given to the DENR, the following personnel are hereby directed to proceed to Region II and its vicinities to investigate the reported illegal logging activities thereat as well as to carry out the other confidential instructions given by the undersigned:

For. Arnold A. Arbolado - DENR, Field Operations  
For. Arnold Blaza - -do-  
Mr. Tomas Balisi - -do-  
Representative - DENR, Region II

The abovenamed personnel are hereby authorized to investigate and seize/confiscate, if the circumstance or evidence warrants, any and/or all forest products. They are likewise authorized to examine records/documents and take custody of the same if necessary.

Also, they are authorized to investigate alleged involvement of some DENR personnel in illegal logging activities.

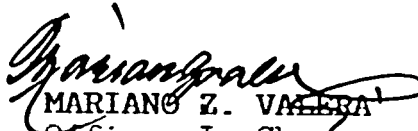
Further, the above team is hereby advised to coordinate with the existing NGOs, POs and MFPCs in the area and/or seek the assistance of other government agencies and instrumentalities in carrying out their mission.

The Regional Office concerned including their Field Units are hereby enjoined to extend full assistance and cooperation to the abovementioned personnel in the pursuit of the tasks assigned to them.

All travelling expenses incurred shall be charged against the funds of their respective offices.

This Order shall remain valid until after the completion of their mission.

SO ORDERED.

  
MARIANG Z. VALERA  
Officer-In-Charge

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for Field Operations