



DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENT AND  
NATURAL RESOURCES

JAN 27 1999

**SPECIAL ORDER**  
NO. 99- 77

**SUBJECT : CONDUCT OF ANTI-ILLEGAL LOGGING  
ACTIVITIES IN ZAMBOANGA**

In the interest of the service and pursuant to the mandates of the DENR, an anti-illegal logging activities is hereby launched in Zamboanga to be spearheaded by the Task Force on Anti-illegal logging, with the following composition:

**Leader : ATTY. DIEGO B. ESCAÑO, JR.**  
**Members : CONSTANTE AGRESOR**  
**NOEL D. GACUTAN**

The Task Force is authorized to investigate and seize/confiscate any and/or all forest products/conveyances and likewise, authorized to examine records/documents and take custody of the same.

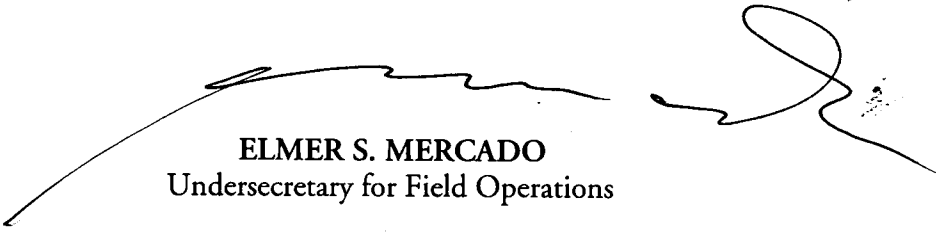
It is also authorized to coordinate with and seek the assistance of other government agencies and instrumentalities in carrying out the mission assigned to them.

All DENR field offices are hereby instructed to extend full assistance and cooperation to the Task Force in the pursuant of its assigned tasks.

Travelling expenses incurred during the conduct of its tasks shall chargeable against appropriate DENR funds.

The Task Force shall submit its report to the Secretary through the Undersecretary for Field Operations.

This Order takes effect immediately and remain valid unless sooner revoked.

  
**ELMER S. MERCADO**  
Undersecretary for Field Operations

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