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**SUBJECT : DESIGNATING FOCAL PERSONS FOR
INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMITMENTS**

In order to ensure an organized and expeditious action on matters concerning the Department's international commitments, the following are hereby designated Focal Persons on specific protocols, conventions, other international agreements:

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| Susan Villar (PPSO) | - | Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) |
| Fe Loo (PPSO) | - | World Trade Organization (WTO) |
| Geri Geronimo Sañez (EMB) | - | Basel Convention |
| Angelita T. Brabante (EMB) | - | Prior Informed Consent (PIC) Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs) |
| Joyceline Goco (EMB) | - | UN Framework on Climate Change (UNFCCC) |
| Agnes L. Goze (EMB) | - | Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer |
| Napoleon Dalangin/ Sofio Quintana (FMB) | - | International Tropical Timber Organization (ITTO) |
| Mayumi Quintos/ Jesus Javier (FMB) | - | Forestry Convention |
| Norma Molinyawe (PAWB) | - | Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species of Flora Fauna (CITES) |

Carlo Custodio (PAWB) - Convention on Wetlands of International Importance especially as Wildlife Habitat (Ramsar Convention)

Angelita Meniado (PAWB) - International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

As focal persons, the above-named personnel shall have the following responsibilities:

- a. submit regular reports to the Undersecretary for International Commitment and Local Government Affairs through the International Environmental Affairs Office (IEAO);
- b. recommend specific actions to be undertaken in relation to the Department's commitments;
- c. harmonize the Department's positions with other international agreements and, in the process, also establish networks;
- d. coordinate with the IEAO on matters concerning inter-agency and international meetings.

All expenses to be incurred in the performance of the above responsibilities shall be chargeable against the Department's funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.



ANTONIO H. CERILLES
Secretary