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SPECIAL ORDER NO. 2001 - 166

SUBJECT:

CREATION OF THE PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE

(PSC) FOR THE SAMAR ISLAND BIODIVERSITY

PROJECT (SIBP)

In the interest of the service and in view of the implementation of SIBP, a Project Steering Committee is hereby created for the project and shall be composed of the following:

Chair

Undersecretary for International Commitment and

Local Government Affairs

Members

Governors of Samar, Eastern Samar and Northern

Samar

UNDP Representative

Regional Executive Director, Region 8, DA Regional Executive Director, Region 8, DENR Regional Executive Director, Region 8, NEDA

Director, PAWB

Assistant Director, PAWB

PENROs of Eastern Samar, Samar and Northern

Samar

Representatives of NGOs in the island (at least one

per province)

Representatives of People's Organizations in the

Island (at least one per province)

Representative of the Foundation for the Philippine

Environment (FPE)

Representatives of the League of Municipalities (one

per province)

Representatives from the 10 Village Conservation Committees (once formed, one per VCC)

The PSC shall oversee the project operation, approve annual work plans and progress reports, ensure implementation of the recommendations of independent evaluators and coordinate advocacy functions to ensure the smooth passage of SINP legislation. The Project Management Office shall serve as the

Secretariat of the PSC.

The PSC shall meet twice a year for the first four years of the project (phase 1) and annually for the remaining 4 years (phase 2).

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All expenses incurred by the Project Steering Committee in pursuit of its tasks/responsibilities shall be chargeable against project funds subject to the accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This order takes effect immediately and supersedes, modifies or amends any and all orders inconsistent herewith.

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