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SPECIAL ORDER No. 2002 - 506

SUBJECT: DEPUTATION OF FOUR (4) OFFICERS OF VANGUARD ANTI-GRAFT

TASK FORCE AS DEPUTY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

OFFICERS (DENROs).

Pursuant to the pertinent provisions of existing environment and natural resources laws and regulations, and in order to directly involve the citizenry in the protection and conservation of the country's environment and natural resources, the following Officers of Vanguard Anti-Graft Task Force are hereby deputized as **DEPUTY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICERS (DENROs).**

Dir. Ely P. Convocar Lt. Ciriaco P. Rebusi Col. Simplicio F. Duque Mr. Luis G. Macapagal

By virtue of this deputation, he is authorized to detect and investigate violations of natural resources laws, rules and regulations and, in the absence of an authorized DENR personnel arrest even without warrant any person who has committed, is committing or is about to commit in his presence any of the criminal offenses defined under the said laws.

In all instances of detection, arrest and/or seizure, he shall deliver within the period prescribed by law from the time of arrest and seizure the offender including the confiscated natural resources products, tools/equipment and conveyances to, and file the proper complaint with the appropriate official designated by law to conduct preliminary investigation and file information in Court through the Undersecretary for Environment and Natural Resources Operations.

He shall also act as witness in Court for the speedy prosecution of criminal complaints against environmental and natural resources law violators.

Moreover, he shall assist in the enforcement of laws, rules and regulations, and in the conduct of environment and natural resources information and education campaign such as public meetings/assemblies and other extension activities of the DENR in coordination with its officials/personnel and/or private agencies involved in similar work.

He shall submit monthly accomplishment report to the Undersecretary for Environment and Natural Resources Operations, DENR Central Office using the standard reporting form provided under DENR Administrative Order No. 41, S. 1991.

The DENR Central Office thru its Special Actions and Investigation Division shall provide the necessary training/seminars to the DENRO/s upon the effectivity of this Order.

This Deputation authorizes him to exercise the power and authority conferred herein within the territorial jurisdiction of DENR Central Office and is not transferrable.

This Deputation Order takes effect immediately and will expire on December 31, 2002 or unless sooner revoked or terminated by this Office.

RAMON JP. PAJE

Undersecretary for Environment and Natural Resources Operations