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DENR SPECIAL ORDER NO. 2002-<u>974</u> NOV 1 3 2002

SUBJECT:

CREATION OF AN INVESTIGATION TEAM TO INVESTIGATE THE INCIDENTS INVOLVING DENR PERSONNEL WHO RELEASED THE CONFISCATED FOREST PRODUCTS AND THE CONVEYANCE APPREHENDED BY THE 4TH INFANTRY

DIVISION, PHILIPPINE ARMY

In the interest of the service and in order to ensure that due process is observed, an Investigation Team is hereby created to investigate the incidents involving DENR personnel who, instead of confiscating forest products apprehended by the 4th Infantry (Diamond) Division, Philippine Army, Camp Edilberto Evangelista, Cagayan de Oro City, were the ones to facilitate the release of the apprehended items or issued questionable transport documents, to be composed of the following:

Atty. Angelina Faral - Chairman Atty. Rosanne Turingan - Member Manuel Aurelio Trampe - Member

As such, the Investigation Team is authorized to issue Subpoena Duces Tecum and/or Ad Testificandum and to call upon witnesses. For the accomplishment of the task, the Investigation Team is likewise authorized to seek the assistance of personnel/officials of the DENR, its bureaus and its attached agencies.

The Investigation Team shall be entitled to claim travelling expenses and other allowable incidental expenses chargeable against their respective offices subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and remain in force until the termination of the case.

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Secretary