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**SPECIAL ORDER**  
**NO. 2003 - 279**

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**SUBJECT: DEPUTIZING LT. COL. RICARDO RAINER G. CRUZ III, (GSC)  
PA-CO, 9IB, 4ID, PHILIPPINE ARMY, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY  
AS ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICER  
COVERING REGION 10**

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Pursuant to the pertinent provisions of existing environment and natural resources laws and regulations, specifically DENR Administrative Order No. 41, S. 1991, and in order to directly involve the city government in the protection and conservation of the country's environment and natural resources, **LT. COL. RICARDO RAINER G. CRUZ III** is hereby deputized as **DEPUTY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICER (DENRO)**.

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 of 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 CENRO/PENRO/RED concerned, whoever is most expeditiously available.

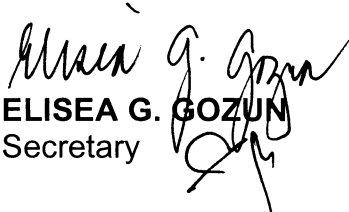
He shall also act as witness in Court for the speedy prosecution of criminal complaints against environmental and natural resources law violators.

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 Marawi City in coordination with the officials/personnel and/or private agencies involved in similar work.

He shall submit monthly accomplishment report to the DENR using the standard reporting form provided under DENR Administrative Order no. 41, S. 1991.

This deputation authorizes him only to exercise the power and authority conferred herein within the administrative jurisdiction of Region 10 and is not transferrable.

This Deputation Order takes effect immediately and will expire on December 31, 2003 or unless revoked or terminated by this Office.

  
**ELISEA G. GOZUN**  
Secretary