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DENR SPECIAL ORDER
No. 2004- 690

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**SUBJECT : CREATION OF A TEAM TO INVESTIGATE
THE REPORTED ILLEGAL TREASURE
HUNTING ACTIVITIES IN MT. ISAROG
NATIONAL PARK AND THE ROBBERY
CASE AGAINST FOREST RANGER JULIO
VERSOZA, DENR REGION 5, CAMARINES
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In the interest of the service and in line with the government's thrust of Good Environmental Governance, a Team is hereby created to verify and investigate the reported illegal treasure hunting activities inside the Mt. Isarog National Park in Camarines Sur and the robbery case filed against DENR personnel Forest Ranger Julio Versoza, to be composed of the following:

Atty. IV Ricky Arzadon - Team Leader (Legal Service)
Evangeline C. Arcenas - Member (Field Operations)
Engr. Ariel Desesto - Member, (Field Ops-MGB)
Lynette T. Laroya - Member (PAWB)

The Team shall have the following functions:


1. Coordinate with the Office of the RED, PENRO, CENRO, and other concerned parties and stakeholders;
2. Conduct field verification/investigation on the alleged illegal treasure hunting activities in Mt. Isarog National Park and the related cases filed against DENR personnel, Forest Ranger Julio Versoza and provide necessary technical/legal assistance to resolve the case; and

3. Submit a Completed Staff Work (CSW) report on this matter within fifteen (15) days upon completion of their tasks as bases for further appropriate actions by this Office.

The Regional Executive Director shall provide the necessary transportation facilities and all necessary support including documents for the successful conduct of the Team's mission.

The team is authorized to collect allowable traveling expenses, per diems and other incidental expenses in pursuance of this Special Order, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations, chargeable against CY 2004 DENR Funds.

This Order shall take effect immediately.



MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR
Secretary