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SPECIAL ORDER
No. 2004 - 840

**SUBJECT: CREATION OF AN INVESTIGATION TEAM TO CONDUCT
ANTI-ILLEGAL LOGGING CAMPAIGN IN MAUBAN, QUEZON**

In the interest of the service and in coordination with the Anti-Illegal Logging Task Force headed by Gen. Alfonso Dagudag and Gen. Victor Corpuz, an investigation team is hereby created composed of personnel from Central Office and representatives from DENR field offices to conduct anti-illegal logging operation in Mauban, Quezon, pursuant to Sections 68, 68-A and 68-B of P.D. 705 as amended by E.O. No. 277, including, but not limited, to the following:

1. reported or suspected sawmill/resawmill operations using illegal timber;
2. reported or suspected cutting, gathering and collecting of forest products from any public forest land without any authority from the DENR;
3. cutting, gathering and collecting of timber or other forest products from alienable or disposable land, or from private land reported or suspected to be without any authority from DENR;
4. possession of timber/lumber or other forest products without the legal documents; and
5. transport of timber/lumber and other forest products without the required legal documents

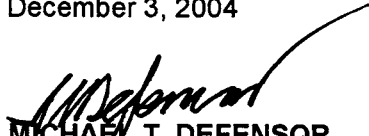
The team is further authorized to investigate and seize/confiscate any and/or all forest products, conveyances, tools and implements, and likewise authorized to examine records/documents and take custody of the same, if necessary. They are also authorized to coordinate with and seek the assistance of Local Government Units (LGUs) concerned and other government agencies and instrumentalities in carrying out the mission assigned to them.

All expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the activity shall be charged against the funds of their respective offices subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

The team shall submit a report to the Office of the Secretary within ten (10) days upon completion of their investigation.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force throughout the duration of the investigation.

December 3, 2004


MICHAEL T. DEFENSOR
Secretary