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SPECIAL ORDER

No. 2022- 533

SUBJECT : CREATION OF A FACT-FINDING INVESTIGATION TEAM ON THE E-MAIL LETTER-COMPLAINT DATED 09 OCTOBER 2021 OF ATTY. BELINDA A. MENCHACA AND THE LETTER-COMPLAINT DATED 05 JULY 2021 OF MR. ROBERTO JUAN ANDONI L. VALENCIA.

In the interest of the service, a fact-finding investigation team is hereby created to conduct investigation on the e-mail letter-complaint dated 09 October 2021 of Atty. Belinda A. Menchaca and the letter-complaint dated 05 July 2021 of Mr. Roberto Juan Andoni L. Valencia against then PENR Officer Livino B. Duran of the PENR Office (PENRO) of Negros Occidental [now the Regional Executive Director (RED) of DENR Region VI, Iloilo City] for alleged irregularities in the issuance of five (5) free patents over foreshore areas in Barangays Refugio and Bantayanon, both in the Municipality of Calatrava, Province of Negros Occidental to be composed as follows:

Team Leader : **Atty. Mario Jayson R. Rabara**
Members : **Engr. Anita L. Iringan**
Yul A. Tamayo, Jr.
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Engr. Joegene G. Unabia
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Land Management Bureau (LMB)

Engr. Victor John Veneracion,
National Mapping & Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA)

Considering that this fact-finding investigation involves two (2) administrative complaints, which requires gathering and organizing of pertinent documents from CENRO Cadiz, Negros Occidental and PENRO Negros Occidental, **Krystyne Gayle N. Ong** and **Yarah V. Garcia**, both of the LAS, are hereby designated as the Secretariat of the Team.

The Team is authorized to issue *Subpoena Duces Tecum* and *Subpoena Ad Testificandum* in aid of the investigation. All DENR officials and employees are hereby ordered to extend full support, cooperation and assistance in the conduct of its tasks. The above mentioned personnel shall be entitled to reasonable travel allowance and related expenses chargeable against DENR funds, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

The Team is likewise directed to submit their investigation report on the matter within fifteen (15) days from the cessation of the conducted investigation.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

ATTY. ERNESTO D. ADOBO JR., CESO I
Undersecretary

Legal, Administration, Human Resources and Legislative Affairs

