

DENR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 96

**SUBJECT: Supplementary Guidelines on the Accomplishment of
Certificate of Timber Origin (CTO) as well as Certificate
of Lumber Origin (CLO).**

1. DENR Officers at the port of shipment or destination of forest products, particularly logs and lumber have noted with alarm, the growing practice of the haphazard accomplishment of Certificate of Timber and Lumber Origin, the guideline of which were contained in DENR Administrative Order No. 34, Series of 1988.

2. To abate the abuse and to serve as an effective control in determining whether there was overcutting beyond the approved allowable cut of a timber licensee or permittee of special permits, as well as to avoid any suspicion of collusion between DENR personnel and the licensee to whom a CTO or CLO is being issued, all blanks to be filled up in these two (2) forms especially the Annual Allowable Cut and Current Stock portions of a CTO and the particulars at the back of the CLO form should be fully and accurately accomplished by the DENR personnel executing the CTO or CLO.

3. CTOs and CLOs not properly filled up are not valid documents and any timber lumber or forest products covered thereby shall be considered illegal and are subject to outright confiscation and disposition in accordance with Executive Order No. 277. The offender shall also be subject to criminal prosecution.

4. The forestry officer or scaler or anyone who fails to fully and properly accomplish the CTO or CLO or issues a defective document shall be subject to administrative and/or criminal liability.

5. This Order takes effect fifteen (15) days after publication in newspaper of general circulation.

FULGENCIO S. FACTORAN, JR.
Secretary

Signed on July 29, 1989