Memorandum Order No. 04 June 19, 1992

SUBJECT: Joint DENR-PWPA Team to conduct inspection

of lumber processed from imported logs for

export.

Pursuant to the Tariff and Customs Code and Customs Administrative Order NO. 279, lumber processed from imported logs are allowed for export. Reports reaching the Department, however, indicate that lumber processed from low quality imported logs allowed for export are being substituted with high quality lumber produced from domestic logs. It is, therefore, deemed necessary that the inspection/verification of lumber for export prior to its shipment be done jointly by DENR and PWP A inspectors. Henceforth, no loading of lumber produced from imported logs for export shall be allowed without prior inspection jointly undertaken by authorized DENR and PWPA inspectors.

High quality lumber produced from domestic logs which are being used as substitutes for export shall be confiscated by the DENR.

The PWPA shall, therefore, be ready to designate qualified representative for this purpose upon due notice from this office.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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