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**DENR SPECIAL ORDER**  
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**SUBJECT : CREATION OF A DENR CORE GROUP TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS-OFFICE OF EUROPEAN AFFAIRS IN THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE ASEM OCEANS INITIATIVE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING SCHEDULED FOR DECEMBER 5-9, 2005 IN CEBU**

In the interest of the service and to ensure a successful Philippine hosting of the international ASEM Oceans Initiative Technical Working Group Meeting in December, the following DENR personnel are hereby directed to form a Core Group to represent the DENR in the preparations for the said TWG Meeting:

- Mr. Florendo B. Barangan - Coastal and Marine Management Office
- Mr. Carlo C. Custodio - Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau
- Mr. Robert S. Jara - Focal person for IMO
- Representative - Office of Usec Gerochi
- Representative - Office of Usec Ignacio

The Core Group shall have the following responsibilities:

1. Work with the Department of Foreign Affairs –Office of European Affairs in the preparation for the TWG Meeting;
2. Be responsible for the substantive preparations for the Meeting such as finalizing the agenda and programme, as well as selecting the resource speakers for the plenary session;
3. Consult with other sectors for their comments and suggestions on the proposed topics; and
4. Make recommendations on candidate sites for field visits that are relevant to the occasion.

The Core Group may seek and avail of the assistance of other DENR Offices in the implementation of this Order.

This Special Order takes effect upon signing and shall be in effect until the Proceedings of the ASEM Oceans Initiative Technical Working Group Meeting shall have been finalized and submitted to proper authorities.



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