# PROTECTED AREAS & WILDLIFE SECTOR

Administrative Order No. 09 March 01, 1993

> SUBJECT : Amending DENR Administrative Order No. 45 re: policies on the loan of endangered, rare and threatened Philippine Wildlife Species.

In order to ensure the thrust of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in encouraging in-situ captive propagation of rare, threatened and endangered Philippine wildlife species, certain provisions of DENR A.O. No. 45, Series of 1989 are hereby amended to read as follows:

### 1) <u>Oualification</u>

Only recognized foreign scientific, research or zoological institutions with known expertise and proven track record and willingness to support and put up an in-situ captive breeding program for conservation of any rare, threatened and endangered Philippine wildlife species, shall qualify to take part/ or enter into the Philippine Wildlife Loan Agreement.

2) <u>Ownership</u>

The wildlife species which DENR shall provide to qualified foreign institution for breeding purposes, and their offsprings, shall remain the property of the Philippine government.

3) Item No. 5 of DENR A.O. No. 45, Series of 1989 entitled "Disposition of Offspring" is hereby repealed.

This Administrative Order takes effect immediately and revokes all Orders inconsistent herewith.

# ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary

# Recommending Approval:

### SAMMUEL R. PENAFIEL Director, PAWB

Administrative Order No. 13 March 12, 1993

> SUBJECT : Guidelines in the Conduct of Census and Registration of Protected Area Occupants

Pursuant to the provisions of PD 705 as amended, R.A. 7586, otherwise known as NIPAS Act, and the New Constitution, the following terms and procedures in the conduct of census and registration of protected area occupants are hereby promulgated for the guidance of all concerned.

### Section 1. Basic Policy

It is hereby declared a policy that census and registration of Protected Area Occupants shall be undertaken to provide the DENR management with basic data as basis for establishing management zones and buffer zones and for the preparation of management programs including the identification of alternative livelihood opportunities.

### Section 2. Objectives

- 2.1 To determine and attest to the actual number of occupants within the Protected Area.
- 2.2 To establish the exact location and approximate size of homelots/farm lots of protected area occupants.
- 2.3 To check and confirm the period of occupancy over certain portions of the protected area, and
- 2.4 To document/register the actual number of protected area occupants and households and the extent of area occupied during the census.

Section 3. Definition of Terms - As used in this order, the following term shall be defined as follows:

- 1. **Absentee-claimant** a person who makes an assertion of right of ownership over a portion of the Protected Area but does not himself cultivate nor reside in the area claimed.
- 2. **Homelots** parcel of land of the Protected Area where the residence or house of the occupant is located.

- 3. Households refers to a single or group of people living in same housing unit.
- 4. **Household head** refers to male or female member who is responsible for the organization and care of the household.
- 5. Indigenous Cultural Community refers to a group of people sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions and other distinctive cultural traits and who have, since time immemorial, occupied, possessed and utilized a territory.
- 6. **Farmlots** parcel of land of the protected area wholly or partly cultivated for the production of food, forage and fuel wood or other purposes.
- 7. **Occupants** refers to people actually and directly occupying, cultivating or utilizing the resources/parcel of land of the protected area.
- 8. **Transient-claimant** a person who makes an assertion of right of ownership over a certain farmlot but does not himself reside in the protected area or one who resides inside the protected area but does not cultivate nor asserts right over any farmlot.

### Section 4. Team Organization and Composition

One census and registration team shall be organized for every Protected Area System. The team shall be composed of one or two representatives from the DENR RENRO/PENRO/CENRO, one from the Local Government Unit, preferably the Barangay Chairman, and one representative from an NGO.

Number of teams and team composition maybe increased depending upon the approximate size and/or population count of the Protected Area and the availability of fund.

### Section 5. Collation of Information

Secondary data on the existence of a Barangay/Settlement area with a certain portion of the Protected Area and the corresponding numbers of occupants existing thereto maybe gathered from the office of the Municipal mayor, the Local Census and Statistics Office, Office of the Local Commission on Election or other concerned agencies. The primary data that shall be gathered in the actual census will supplement and help to confirm and/or attest to the result of the census.

# Section 6. Census and Registration Procedures

For a speedy disposition and to streamline procedures process on the census and registration of Protected Area Occupants, the following guidelines shall henceforth be followed.

# A. Preliminary Data Gathering

Schedule a meeting/dialogue with Protected Area occupants, in coordination with the local government officials and NGO. In that meeting, relate and discuss information on the purpose, importance and relation of the census to the community, particularly with regards to the provisions of the NIPAS Act and the Philippine Constitution. Also conduct preliminary interviews with local officials thereat to gather data as to the existing number of protected area occupants, their locations and the most qualified guide that may be able to assist the census team.

Existing Barangay maps, if available, shall be secured to constitute as part of the working map or for checking/confirmation purposes.

# B. Actual Census

Census form No.1 shall be used to tally number of individual household. Using the data from census form No.1, census form No.2 shall be accomplished to summarize all census data collected. To reckon the actual households already manifested census form No.3 shall be used while census form No.4 shall be provided to qualified occupants for registration purposes. Census form No.5 shall be posted on households already censused.

To determine/check the duration of residency occupancy over certain portion of the Protected Areas, individual tax declaration not later than 1987 and the census/survey report of the Bureau of Forest Development, the Local Census and Statistics Office and the Commission on Election which was conducted not later than CY 1987 should be consulted whenever available.

For the purpose of this guideline, absentee-claimant and transient-occupants shall not be included in the census. Furthermore, only established Protected Area occupants who continuously reside in the area for five (5) years before the effectivity of the NIPAS Act shall be considered for registration, except for members of indigenous cultural communities who are automatically qualified to register.

# C. Census Data Validation

Information supplied by the household head during the census should be first verified before entering/ filing up the data in the census forms.

# D. Census Report Verification

The concerned RENRO may conduct a simple random report checking and other related activities to verify the authenticity and truthfulness of the data reported by the census team. Another team maybe organized for this purpose.

### E. Registration of Protected Area Occupants

All qualified household head may register their home and farm lots to appropriate CENRO. The CENRO, in collaboration with the census team shall review and process the document in reference with census form no. 3.

# F. Mapping

Locate existing settlement area/household and farm lots. The location of these areas and farm lots shall be plotted in the Protected Area map with scale 1:10,000, using the following cartographic symbols, for households only:

No. of Household Cartographic Symbol Less than 10 Over 10 but less than 50 Over 50 but less than 100 Over 100

For farmlots, the area shall be indicated using standard mapping symbols.

A working map should be prepared for this purpose, segregating the whole Protected Area System into different sectors and compartments.

### Section 7. Public Notification

Result of the census, particularly the lists of household heads; number of dependents; size of the individual farmlots and homelots; their locations; and respective date of occupancy in the protected area, shall be posted in the municipal hall, barangay hall, civic centers, and other conspicuous public places within or near the concerned protected area. Concerned occupants and other interested parties may file in writing their

protests/questions/inquiries/complaints/clarifications, to the concerned CENRO/PENRO, regarding the outcome of the census within thirty (30) days after it has been posted.

### Section 8. Participation of NGOs

Recognized/registered competent NGOs in the concerned Regions shall be identified, selected and tapped to participate in the census of Protected Area Occupants as member of the Census and Registration Team.

### Section 9. Census Team Accountability

Members of the survey team shall be made accountable for all the entries appearing in the census forms by executing a certification/statement to that effect, duly attested by the concerned CENROs/PENROs.

### Section 10. Penal Provision

Members of the census team who willfully, knowingly and/or deliberately provide, furnish, supply, fabricate, and execute fictitious informations, documents, records, testimonies papers and evidences, shall be charged, penalized and prosecuted in accordance with the provisions of Articles 171 and 172 of the Revised Penal code of the Philippine.

Similarly, household heads who will be found to deliberately, knowingly and/or willfully provide, supply and/or execute fictitious information and testimonies shall be perpetually disqualified from registration and shall be evicted from the Protected Area without prejudice to the filling of a perjury case in court.

### Section 11. Additional Guidelines

Additional guidelines may be issued as may be necessary, for the effective implementation of this order.

Section 12. Effectivity

This order shall take effect immediately.

# ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary

Administrative Order No. 29 May 13, 1993

### SUBJECT

:

# Guidelines on the Collection of Additional and Replacement of Unproductive, Aged/Overaged and Deceased Monkey Breeders

Pursuant to Section 7 of Act 2590 as amended, PD 705 as amended, and Executive Order No. 192, the following guidelines on the collection of additional and replacement of unproductive, aged and deceased monkey breeders are hereby promulgated for the guidance and compliance of all concerned:

Section 1. Statement of Policy and Objectives. It is the policy of the State to ensure the sustainable use, management and conservation of the country's natural resources, including the protection thereof. Towards this end, the collection of additional and replacement of unproductive, aged and deceased monkey breeders shall have the following objectives:

- 1.1 To regulate the collection of monkeys from the wild in preparation of the phaseout of this activity; and
- 1.2 To establish the procedure for the disposition of subject monkeys in line with the government's support for conservation and sustainable-oriented economic activities like the monkey breeding industry.

Section 2. Coverage. These guidelines shall apply to all Filipino permittees engaged in breeding including domestic sale of breeders to authorized monkey breeding firms, Filipino or foreign-owned.

Section 3. Definition of Terms. As used in this Order, the following terms shall be defined thus:

- 3.1 **Unproductive Stage** the stage wherein no reproduction have been recorded for a minimum period of eighteen (18) months after reaching the reproductive age;
- 3.2 Aged or Overaged a monkey breeder that has reached the age of seven (7) or eight (8) years from the date of first reproduction, or about twelve (12) years old and above;

- 3.3 **IATA** International Air and Transport Association;
- 3.4 **DENR Wildlife Management Committee** an inter-agency committee chaired by DENR with the representative/s from academe, non-governmental organization/s (NGO), and wildlife exporter group as members, tasked to assess and evaluate all applications for wildlife trade including the operation of a breeding farm;
- 3.5 Monkey Breeding Permit refers to the permit issued by PAWB to a person engaged in the breeding of monkey for scientific purposes; and
- 3.6 **Monkey Trappers** refers to individual or groups engaged in the proper hunting of monkey for breeding purposes.

Section 4. Collection of Additional and Replacement of Unproductive, Aged/Overaged and Deceased Monkey Breeders. The following procedures shall be observed by the concerned party/ies:

- 4.1 All request shall be made in writing addressed to the Director, Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau (PAWB).
- 4.2 In the case of request for replacement, the same must contain the following information presented in tabular form:
  - 4.2.1 Tattoo number/s of unproductive, aged or overaged monkeys;
  - 4.2.2 Place of collection;
  - 4.2.3 Date of collection;
  - 4.2.4 Weight;
  - 4.2.5 Sex;
  - 4.2.6 Total number of live progenies delivered by the breeders during captivity;
  - 4.2.7 Number of years in captivity;
  - 4.2.8 Remarks on the health condition of the breeder/s, particularly if the same has been infected with ebola virus or other organisms;
- 4.3 Preliminary evaluation shall be made by the concerned personnel of PAWB and the general findings shall be referred to the DENR Wildlife Management Committee for final assessment and evaluation.

Section 5. Procedures for the Evaluation of Request for Replacement by the Committee. All requests shall be evaluated based on the checklist of criteria prescribed under the <u>Standard for Breeding Facilities</u>, as listed hereunder:

- 5.1 **Captive Breeding.** For replacement to be undertaken in the breeding farm, the following shall be considered:
  - 5.1.1 Farm Capacity. The Animal-Space Ratio must be one (1) and two (2) cubic meter/s per head for breeding cages and nursing/growing cages, respectively.

The declared optimum capacity at one time shall be based on the cage measurement.

5.1.2 **Cage Quality.** The structure of the cage shall be assessed based on the type of construction materials used whether wood frame or steel frame both with cyclone wire and concrete flooring.

The cage must also have at least fifty percent (50%) roofing either made of nipa or galvanized iron sheets.

- 5.1.3 **Basic Facilities.** The following basic facilities must be present in the breeding farm:
  - a. Waterers or water dispenser;
  - b. Feeding trough;
  - c. Adequate ventilation, lighting and shade;
  - d. Perches and shelves for resting;
  - e. Culverts for hiding and shelter from aggression; and
  - f. Septic vaults for sewage and waste disposal.
- 5.1.4 **Support Facilities.** In addition to the items listed in the preceding section, the presence of other support facilities shall also be considered, such as:
  - a. Basic workable veterinary clinic;
  - b. Basic clinical pathology laboratory or a written agreement with a contract laboratory (e.g. UP-NADDL);
  - c. Adequate feed storage facilities;
  - d. Portable water supply; and
  - e. Staff quarters.

- 5.2 **Island Breeding.** For replacement to be undertaken in a particular island, the following prescriptions and breeding facilities shall be taken into account:
  - 5.2.1 Quarantine Requirement. The monkey breeder/s shall be subjected to an additional sixty (60) day quarantine and laboratory tests for antibiotic sensitivity, throat culture, salmonella or shigella and for the presence of parasites. Also, the breeder shall undergo the standard veterinary care and tuberculosis testing for a minimum of six (6) times.

After the above stage, breeders shall be transported to the islands in IATA-approved crates with drinking and feeding facilities.

The collected progenies from the breeders shall likewise be subjected to another thirty (30) day quarantine.

- 5.2.2 **Capacity.** The space allocation must be seventy (70) square meters per adult head, supplemented with pelletized feeds, fruits and drinking water. The standard sex ratio must be one (1) male for ten (10) females. A developed land area of twenty (20) hectares and ten (10) hectares must have a maximum capacity of two thousand eight hundred (2,800) and one thousand four hundred (1,400) heads, respectively.
- 5.2.3 **Basic Requirements.** In general, the island breeding must be relatively isolated from influx of people with five (5) full-time caretakers stationed outside of the "monkey island". Monthly inspection by a veterinarian and a quarterly standard testing procedure must be indicated in the breeding program. The trapping cage should be made of galvanized iron pipes, sheets and cyclone wire in order to monitor population growth. To facilitate inter-island transport and a motorized boat is necessary.
- 5.2.4 **Support Facilities and Services.** The storage facility/ies must be made of concrete and galvanized iron sheet roofing. Basic clinical laboratory service and a quarter for the caretakers should also be present. Other facilities for pellet, fruit and water supply should also be provided.

Other consideration for evaluation shall include:

a. number of animals to be replaced;

- b. progress achieved by the permittee in captive breeding operation;
- c. technical capacity to manage the replacement/additional breeders;
- d. new/additional provided; and
- e. underpopulated/understocked, old/existing breeding cages (i.e. due to culling, mortalities, etc.).

Section 6. Committee Action. The DENR Wildlife Management Committee shall render its decision within thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of such request. Otherwise, it shall be assumed that the request shall have been approved provided that all requirements under the Checklist for the Standards for Breeding Facilities have been complied with.

Section 7. Selection of Monkey Breeders for Replacement or Additional Collection. The selection of monkey breeders to replace unproductive, aged/overaged or deceased breeders or as additional collection of the breeding farm owner must strictly be purchased or acquired from monkey trappers. The monkeys must possess the required minimum weight of one and a half (1.5) kilograms per head.

Monkey tappers caught selling monkey breeders not within the weight requirement prescribed above shall be subject to apprehension and appropriate disciplinary action.

Section 8. Transport and Inspection of Monkey Breeders. Original transport permit/s issued by the DENR Region concerned must be surrendered within three (3) days to PAWB upon arrival of the animals in the respective farms for issuance by PAWB of tattoo codes and weight inspection.

Section 9. Tattoo Coding of Monkey Breeders. Within three (3) working days from the date of receipt of the original transport permit, PAWB shall notify the permittee of the corresponding tattoo code/s which shall be determined following the coding standard below:

# 9.1 FOR REPLACEMENT BREEDERS

LrC1 - 1 to infinity

where: L - code of the permittee;

r - replacement;

C - the place of collection; and

1 - represents the batch number of the animal

1 - individual number.

### 9.2 FOR ADDITIONAL BREEDERS

LaC1 - 1 to infinity

where: a - additional

(Note: all variable in Item (9.1) mean the same for Item (9.2).

Section 10. Inspection and Validation of Tattoo Codes. Within thirty (30) days from the receipt by the permittee of the prescribed tattoo codes. PAWB shall inspect and validate the same. Violations or deviations from the standards prescribed in this Order, shall subject the monkey breeders to confiscation, they shall be deposited at the PAWB RESCUE CENTER and shall be disposed of in accordance with DENR Administrative Order No. 142, Series of 1989.

Section 11. Disposition of Unproductive, Aged/Overaged and Deceased Monkey Breeders. Unproductive and aged/overaged female monkey breeders as certified by PAWB shall be disposed of through sale and export.

In the case of male breeders that are incapable to reproduce the same maybe subject for donation to zoos, medical institutions, human health research institutions, subject to the proprietary ownership by the Philippine government and be euthanized.

Strict supervision and monitoring during and after the release shall be made by the CENRO concerned or his duly authorized representative/s. A report thereon must be made to PAWB within fifteen (15) days from the date of the release.

Section 12. Proceeds of the Sale or Export. Sixty percent (60%) of the proceeds from the sale of export of monkey breeders shall accrue to the INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS FUND or IPAF.

**Section 13. Repealing Clause.** All memoranda, orders, circulars, and other regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and/or amended accordingly.

Section 14. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

# ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary

Administrative Order No. 30 May 13, 1993

### SUBJECT : Providing Incentives for the Wildlife Breeding Industry

Pursuant to Executive Order 192 and the government policy towards the sustainable management and conservation of economically important wild fauna species and other related species with similar habitat requirements and in order to encourage the expansion of technical and financial investments in wildlife breeding, the following incentives are hereby provided to the wildlife breeding industry:

- 1. Representation with the local and international communities involved in wildlife breeding;
- 2. Computation of export fee per commodity to be paid by the permittee for the whole week shall be based on the US dollar buying rate of the Philippine National Bank (PNB) at the beginning of the working week;
- 3. Establishment of an express processing system for the issuance of CITES Permit and Wildlife Certification at the Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau (PAWB). The PAWB Director, or his duly authorized representative, is hereby authorized to sign CITES Permit and Wildlife Certification;
- 4. The issuance of the Wildlife Farm Permit, particularly in the case of monkey species, shall be limited to the members of the Primate Exporters and Breeders Association of the Philippines (PEBAB). All applications for permit of a non-PEBAB member or other parties interested in the breeding of other wild fauna species shall be evaluated by the Committee accordingly;
- 5. The Conservation commitment required by DENR as embodied under the terms and conditions of the Wildlife Collector's Permit and Wildlife Farm Permit may either be undertaken individually by each PEBAP member or collectively as an association. In the case of the latter, prior consultation should be made by the association with PAWB before initiating such commitment project.
- 6. This order takes effect immediately.

# ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary

Administrative Order No. 33 May 10, 1993

SUBJECT

:

Proposed Area to be declared as Strict Nature Reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary within longitudes 121° 17'00" to 121° 21'00" East and latitudes 14° 32'00" to 14° 37'30" North in accordance with the Provisions of R.A. 7586.

The Masungit Rock and its vicinity specifically bounded by longitudes 121°17'00" to 121°21'00" East and latitudes 14°32'00" to 14°37'30" North is proposed to be declared as Strict Nature Reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary in accordance with the Provisions of R.A. 7586 otherwise known as National Integrated Protected Area System Act of 1992.

Henceforth, the aforesaid area is declared as closed to mining location, exploration, development and exploitation and other activities which might affect adversely the habitat and the ecological balance in the area.

Registration of mining claims, processing of all applications for mining rights filed pursuant to Presidential Decree Nos 412 and 463 and DAO No. 57, Series of 1989 and the sand and gravel regulations; receiving/accepting applications for quarry permits/licenses, applications for MPSA, applications for guano permits and applications for industrial, commercial and gratuitous permits; and mining and other allied/related activities, quarry operations, as well as sand and gravel operations, within the abovementioned areas unless cleared by the Parks and Wildlife Bureau and the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board, are hereby suspended in accordance with the instructions embodied in LOI 833.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

# ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary

Administrative Order No. 47 July 21, 1993

### SUBJECT : Revised Rates of Fees for the Entrance to and Use of Facilities Inside Protected Areas

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 192 and Memorandum Circular NO. 121 of the Office of the President, the fees and charges for the entrance and use of facilities inside Protected Areas are hereby revised as follows:

Section 1. Coverage. The fees and charges herein revised shall be applied in the interim in areas where the Protected Areas Management Boards (PAMB) as provided for under Republic Act No. 7586 have not yet been created. In areas where the PAMB had been operationalized, the respective PAMB shall set the fees and charges for entrance to and use of facilities within national parks and other protected areas.

Section 2. Entrance Fees. The fees to the imposed upon entrance to protected areas shall be as follows:

2.1	Ninoy Aquino Parks and Wildlife Nature Center (NAPWNC) and Hinulugan
	Taktak National Park (HTNP) and other protected areas:

2.1.a	Students P 5.00
2.1.b	Adults 8.00
2.1.c	Foreign nationals US\$ 2.00 or peso equivalent

2.2 Calauit Game Preserve and Wildlife Sanctuary, El Nido Marine Reserve and Mt. Pulog National Park:

2.2.a Filipino nationals - - - P 50.00

2.2.b Foreign nationals - - - - US\$ 15.00 or peso equivalent

Children below five years old, senior citizens who are sixty-five years old or over and handicapped persons are exempted from the payment of entrance fees in protected areas.

Section 3 Use of Other Facilities. For other facilities and activities or use, the following fees and charges shall be:

	Facilities		Rates (In Pesos)	Condition
Α.	Parking Fee			
	a.1	Bus	25.00	For the first three hours or fraction thereof and P 5.00 per hour thereafter
	a.2	Mini bus	20.00	For the first three hours or fraction thereof and P 5.00 per hour thereafter
	<b>a</b> .3	Car/Jeepney	15.00	For the first three hours or fraction thereof and P 2.00 per hour thereafter
	a.4	Tricycle, or fraction thereof and 8.00	2.00	For the first three hours motorcycles & the like per hour thereafter
В.	Picnic	Shed	35.00	Per unit per day without limit as to the number of occupants
C.	Picnic Tables		15.00	Per unit per day without limit as to the number of occupants.
D.	Tea House pavilion and other confe- rence facilities		300.00	Per day or fraction thereof
E.		ball Court her court es	25.00	Per half-day or fraction thereof
F.	lagoon	fishing in /lakes using nd lines	35.00	Per rod per day

G.	Amphitheater	350.00	Per day or fraction thereof
H.	Filming for movie production commercials	3,000.00	Per day or fraction there of exclusive of the tv and power and other facilities. Include acknowledgement of the area to promote the park
I.	Swimming pool	15.00	Per person per visit
J.	Boat hire (paddled boat)	30.00	Per hour per boat.
К.	Holding of Commercial exhibits	1,700.00	Per day or fraction thereof
Ĺ.	Overnight	70.00	Per person per night
М.	Camping	25.00	Per person per day
N.	Docking fee	500.00	Per person per visit.

Section 4. Mode of Collection. The following procedure shall be observed in the collection of fees:

- 4.1 Entrance fee shall be collected from visitors upon entrance to the park area. Corresponding tickets shall be issued for such fees following the standard ticket design to be prescribed by PAWB.
- 4.2 Charges for facility use and services shall be collected upon reservation and corresponding official receipt shall be issued for such payments.

4.3 Payments of fees and charges shall be made on cash basis only.

**Section 5. Collection Responsibilities.** The following shall be responsible for the collection of fees:

- 5.1 For the Ninoy Aquino Parks and Wildlife Nature Center (NAPWNC) and the Hinulugang Taktak National Park, the Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau Director shall:
  - a. designate one collecting officer;
  - b. collect, and account such revenues collected to the Office of the Secretary;
  - c. prepare and submit, to the Office of the Secretary, quarterly reports of revenue collections and remittances to the National Treasury.
- 5.2 For other protected areas, the Regional Executive Directors shall:
  - a. designate one Collecting Officer for each park; and
  - b. prepare and submit, to the Office of the Secretary, quarterly reports of revenue collections and remittances to the National Treasury.

Section 6. Issuance of Visitor's Permit. A visitor's permit shall be required prior to entry in protected areas.

Visitor's permits shall be issued by the Regional Executive Director or his duly authorized representative in accordance with the attached prescribed format (Annex "A") upon payment of visitor's fee.

Section 7. Repealing Clause. This Order supersedes all Department Orders, Circulars and/or Memoranda inconsistent herewith.

Section 8. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

# ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary

Administrative Order No. 56 September 20, 1993

SUBJECT

:

Amending Section 62 of DENR, Administrative Order No. 25, Series of 1992 re: Composition of the Integrated Protected Areas Fund (IPAF) Governing Board.

Pursuant to Section 10 (j) of Republic Act No. 7586 otherwise known as the "National Protected Areas System Act of 1992", and in order to further strengthen and rationalize the administration of NIPAS funds which shall be used solely for the protection, maintenance, administration and management of the System, Section 62 of DENR Administrative Order No. 25 dated June 29, 1992 re: Composition of the IPAF Governing Board, is hereby amended, to wit:

"The Governing Board shall be composed of ten (10) members as follows:

- 1. Secretary, DENR or his duly authorized representative as ex-officio Chairman of the Board;
- 2. USEC for Environment and Research, DENR;
- 3. Representative, Department of Budget and Management (DBM);
- 4. Representative, National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA);
- 5. Representative, Department of Finance (DOF);
- 6. Representative, Land Bank of the Philippines (LDP);
- 7. Two (2) representative from duly accredited NGOs which have proven track records in the field of conservation management; and
- 8. Two (2) representative from indigenous cultural communities.

All other provisions of A.O. No. 25, Series of 1992 will remain in force.

This Order takes effect immediately.

# ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary

Administrative Order No. 64 November 04, 1993

SUBJECT

:

Establishing the Population Management Program for Animals in Calauit Game Preserve and Wildlife Sanctuary and Providing Guidelines in the Implementation of Same.

Pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Proclamation 219, Presidential Proclamation 1578, and Executive Order No. 192, and in order to maintain ecological balance in and provide effective management of the Calauit Game Preserve and Wildlife Sanctuary, the population management program for animals in the Sanctuary is hereby established for the information and guidance of all concerned.

This Order is subject to the provisions of R.A. 7586 (NIPAS Law) and R.A.. 7611 (SEP Law), thus changes deemed necessary as a result of the application of said Acts shall be recognized under this Order.

Section 1. Definition of Terms

- 1. **Population management** refers to the systematic method of decreasing or increasing the number of animals in an area to maintain a viable number of animals without compromising the capacity of such area to support a healthy animal population. This may be carried out through either, or a combination, of the following:
  - 1.1 **Sale** refers to the act of selling animal/s for an agreed price.
  - 1.2 **Exchange** refers to the act whereby a party binds to give an animal or animals in consideration of the other party's promise to give another animal or animals.
  - 1.3 **Donation** refers to the act of liberality whereby a party disposes an animal or animals in favor of another party who accepts it free of charge.
  - 1.4 **Euthanasia** refers to the practice of killing or putting to death an animal or animals in a painless and humane manner.

- 1.5 **Translocation** the act or process of transferring or changing the location of an animal or animals to an area simulating the natural habitat.
- 1.6 **Importation** the act of bringing into the country animals from another country.
- 2. **Exotic animals** refer to those animals introduced to Calauit Island such as giraffe, zebra, impala, topi, bushbuck, waterbuck and eland, including their progenies.
- 3. **Endemic species** refer to animals with distribution restricted only to the Philippines.

Section 2. Creation of a Population Management Committee for Caluit (PMCC)

For purposes of this Order, a Population Management Committee for Calauit (PMCC) shall be created through a DENR S.O. to perform the following:

- 1. prepare an annual list of animals for disposition, including the number, age and sex per species;
- 2. determine the time of the year that the animals may be disposed of;
- 3. determine the nature of disposition, i.e. donation, exchange, sale and/or euthanasia;
- 4. determine the species that may be taken in exchange for animals from Calauit;
- 5. screen and identify qualified buyers/recipients;
- 6. monitor and assess status of animals taken from Calauit in a semi-annual basis or anytime deemed necessary.
- 7. consult experts from other agencies on technical matters relevant to the population management program for Calauit;
- 8. submit reports, including recommendations, to the Secretary from time to time.

The Committee shall be composed of the following:

1)	Undersecretary for Environment and Research	• .	Chairman
2)	PAWB Director	-	Vice-Chairman
3)	Palawan Council for Sustainable	-	Member
	Development representative		
4)	Regional Technical Director	-	Member
	for EMPAS, R-4		
5)	Chief, Wildlife Division, PAWB	-	Member
6)	NGO representatives (two)	-	Member
7)	Chief, Administrative and	-	Member
	Finance Division, PAWB		
8)	DENR Legal Affairs Office	-	Member
	representative		

The Wildlife Propagation and Special Projects Section, PAWB shall serve as Secretariat to the Committee and provide administrative and technical support. It shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1) assist the Committee in screening and identifying qualified buyers/recipients;
- 2) process the necessary documents and permits in the disposition of the animals;
- undertake liaison work for the Committee on matters requiring coordination with buyers/recipients; and
- prepare schedule of Committee meetings, and record the minutes/proceedings, including Committee recommendations.

Section 3. General Conditions

- 3.1 The DENR, through the PMCC, shall be the lead agency in the implementation of this Order;
- 3.2 Only exotic animals that are in good condition can be sold, donated or exchanged with other healthy animals of the same species or with endemic species that are considered, rare, threatened and endangered, subject to the approval of the Committee;

- 3.3 Animals shall not be culled when they are in heat, pregnant, supporting a young, still dependent on the parents for survival, or recuperating from sickness, injuries or diseases;
- 3.4 Importation shall be limited to the same exotic species introduced to Calauit for the purpose of increasing genetic diversity or to maintain heterozygosity;
- 3.5 Euthanasia shall be applied only to animals that are afflicted with fatal or communicable diseases as certified by the Project veterinarian and attested by the PMCC;
- 3.6 Endemic species that are inhabiting Calauit shall be allowed for translocation only to areas within the province of Palawan known to be originally inhabited by the species, in such a manner as to maintain genetic purity;
- 3.7 All animals taken in exchange for animals from Calauit shall be directly deposited at the pre-determined destination/recipient;
- 3.8 The number of animals and the species to be culled shall in no case exceed the number and the species included in the annual list of animals for disposition as prepared by the PMCC;
- 3.9 Sale of animals shall be done through sealed bid. The floor price shall be in accordance with the current selling price in the international market. Foreign-based buyers shall be required to pay in US dollars before shipment of the animals. Local buyers may, at their option, pay in US dollars or its equivalent in Philippine peso. Sale transactions shall be covered by irrevocable Letter of Credit (LC) which the buyer shall open before capture is done. All transactions shall be governed by the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations;
- 3.10 Payment from sale shall accrue to the IPA Fund pursuant to Section 16 of RA 7586, otherwise known as the NIPAS Act of 1992;
- 3.11 Acceptance of the animals shall be at the source to avoid having some animals being rejected. Animals rejected by the recipient after consummation of sale, donation, exchange and/or shipment shall no longer be exchanged for another animal/species or returned to the source;
- 3.12 All animals taken from Calauit through donation and/or exchange by virtue of this Order shall be subject to monitoring and assessment by the Committee or its authorized representative/s, semi-annually or anytime deemed necessary.

DENR shall reserve the right to monitor the status of the animals disposed of through sale.

### Section 4. Procedures

- 4.1 Selection
  - 4.1.a The buying party shall have the right to choose the animal/s that he may wish to acquire based on the list and criteria set provided by the PMCC;
  - 4.1.b The buying party or his authorized representative shall be present from selection, capture and transport of animal chosen;

# 4.2 Capture

- 4.2.a The vendor/donor shall be responsible for the capture and provision of temporary holding/ acclimatization pens for the animals;
- 4.2.b The method of capture to be used shall in every case would cause least or no injury to the animals, and shall be subject to PMCC approval;
- 4.2.c The vendor/donor shall be responsible in the proper health care of the animals while at temporary custody, i.e. from capture to acceptance of the animals by the recipient.

### 4.3 Transport

- 4.3.a The buying party/recipient shall be responsible for the safe transport of the animals from the source to their destination;
- 4.3.b The buying party/recipient shall provide the necessary transport crate or shoulder the cost of fabricating the crate based on detailed specifications which they should provide.
- 4.3.c All arrangements to be made and expenses to be incurred during the transport shall be the responsibility of the buying party/ recipient;
- 4.3.d The buying party/recipient shall ensure the proper maintenance of the animals during the transport by providing clean food and water and making available veterinary supplies for emergency purposes. If at all

possible a veterinarian must accompany the animals during the transport;

4.3.e No animals shall be transported/shipped out of the country without the necessary export permit or Wildlife Certification from the DENR. Animals listed in CITES appendices shall be subject to CITES regulations.

# Section 5. Qualification of Buyers/Recipients

The following can qualify to buy or avail of animals from Calauit:

- 1) Recognized local or foreign scientific, research or zoological institutions with known expertise and with proven track record on wildlife management;
- 2) NGOs and private organizations/CORPORATIONS (either local or foreign) duly registered with the appropriate government agency and recognized in the field of wildlife research and management and/or financially or technically capable of maintaining wildlife.
- 3) Any private individual whether local or foreign, who owns a private zoo or collection of animals duly registered with the DENR or similar FOREIGN organization, and known to possess the expertise and financial capability to maintain and sustain the animals.
- 4) Local government units capable of setting up the necessary facilities and providing adequate maintenance of the animals for recreational and educational purposes.

### Section 6. Requirements

Interested buyers/recipients shall submit the following requirements to the PMCC, thru the Secretariat, for evaluation, whenever applicable:

- A. Institution/Organization/CORPORATION
  - 1) certificate of registration with the appropriate government agecy;
  - 2) documented successes in the field of wildlife research and mangement;
  - 3) list of members and qualifications;

- 4) statement of assets and liabilities for the preceding year;
- 5) comprehensive management plan for the animals;
- 6) certificate/s of involvement/participation in other wildlife conservation related activities.
- 7) CITES requirements

# B. Individual

- 1) certificate of registration of the private zoo from concerned government agency;
- 2) certification/letter of accreditation of the private zoo from the DENR;
- 3) proof of ownership of the private zoo;
- 4) statement of assets and liabilities;
- 5) list of animals being maintained at the private zoo;
- 6) documented successes in wildlife management/ maintenance;
- 7) comprehensive management plan for the animals from Calauit.
- 8) CITES requirements.

# C. LGUs

- ) provincial/municipal/barangay resolution for the acquisition of the animals;
- approved Work and Financial Plan for the current year, incorporating the management of animals from Calauit island;
- 3 detailed 5-year operational and management plan for the animals, including location map, site development plan, design of facilities and future innovations;

- 4) list and qualifications of personnel to be assigned in the maintenance of the animals;
- 5) Environmental Compliance Certificate.

This Order takes effect immediately and amends, supersedes or revokes all Orders, Circulars and Memoranda inconsistent herewith.

ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary