MEMORANDUM

TO : All Regional Executive Directors

FROM : The Undersecretary for Field Operations


DOCUMENT ATTACHED : Aforesaid Memorandum of Agreement (MOA).

DATE : OCTOBER 2009

On 15 February 1996, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) represented by then Secretary Victor O. Ramos and the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) represented by then Secretary Jesus B. Garcia, Jr. entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the registration with the Land Transportation Office (LTO) of all conveyances seized, confiscated and forfeited in favor of the government due to involvement in illegal logging practices in violation of Section 68, P.D. 705, as amended and renumbered under RA 7160. (copy attached for ease of reference)

In this regard, please be informed that based on records, the above-said MOA still exists there being no showing that the same has been terminated by the parties.

Hence, all DENR Regional Executive Directors are hereby directed to disseminate the subject Memorandum of Agreement within their respective jurisdictions for the strict observance, compliance and implementation of the same.

For your strict compliance.

Copy Furnished:

Undersecretary for Field Operations, DENR
Undersecretary for Legal Service, DENR
DOTC, The Columbia Tower, Ortigas Ave., Brgy. Wakwak, Mandaluyong City 15556

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Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS
Office of the Secretary

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT entered into by and between:

The DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
with principal office at Visayas Ave., Dillman, Quezon City, represented herein by Secretary VICTOR O. RAMOS and hereinafter referred to as "DENR"

and

The DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS
with principal office at Philconeca Bldg., Ortigas Ave., Pasig City, represented herein by Secretary JESUS B. GARCIA, JR. and hereinafter referred to as "DOTC"

WHEREAS, the DENR is an agency of the Government tasked with the primary responsibility of protecting, conserving and developing the country's forest resources;

WHEREAS, the DENR, thru its Secretary or his duly authorized representative, by virtue of Presidential Decree No. 705 as amended by Executive Order No. 277, series of 1987 is authorized/empowered to seize, confiscate and forfeit in favor of the Government all conveyances used in the transport of illegally cut/gathered forest products;

WHEREAS, DENR is in need of vehicles to be used for forest protection and development in accordance with its mandate;

WHEREAS, the DOTC is the primary agency of the Government responsible for the administration and enforcement of all laws, rules and regulations in the field of transportation including the registration of motor vehicles;

NOW, therefore, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, and of the mutual covenants hereinafter set forth, the DENR and DOTC hereby agree that:

A. DENR shall:

1. File the application for the registration of the motor vehicles or conveyances confiscated or forfeited pursuant to E.O. 277 and in accordance with the procedure set forth in DENR Department Order No. 54 dated 16 September 1993;

2. Submit the necessary papers and documents required for the registration of the said vehicles; and

3. Pay the registration fees and other authorized charges as required by existing laws, rules and regulations.
B. DOTC shall:

1. Accept the duly approved final Order of Forfeiture of lawfully seized motor vehicle or conveyances in lieu of the original Certificate of Registration, Official Receipt and other pertinent papers/documents of the confiscated vehicle, and

2. Facilitate thru its LTO's District Offices, the issuance of Certificate of Registration of the confiscated motor vehicles in the name of the government to be recorded in the books of DENR in accordance with existing rules and regulations.

This Agreement shall take effect upon signing thereof by both parties unless earlier terminated by mutual agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto affixed their signatures this day of ____________, 1995 at ____________.

VICTOR O. RAMOS
Secretary
Department of Environment and Natural Resources

JESUS B. GARCIA, JR.
Secretary
Department of Transportation and Communications

Signed in the Presence of:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Republic of the Philippines)
Quezon City )S.S.

BEFORE ME this 15 day of February 1996 personally appeared Vic. Victor Ramos representing the DENR, with Community Tax Certificate No. 12-11-3-1-11-I-02, Issued at Quezon City, 72-1995, and Vic. Vicente Ramos with Community Tax Certificate No. 12-11-3-1-11-I-02, Issued at Quezon City, on 72-1995 both known to me to be the same persons who executed the foregoing contract and acknowledgement to me the same as their free and voluntary act and deed.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL at the place and on the same date first above written.