Republic of the Philippines PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (R.A. 7611) Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

Excerpts from the minutes of the 20th Council meeting of the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development held on 26 November 1993 at the DCIEC Building, NIA Complex, EDSA, Quezon City.

Present:

Gov. Salvador P. Socrates - Chairman Cong. David A. Ponce de Leon - Vice-Chairman Exec. Dir. Arthur R. Ventura - Secretary Mr. Vic Milan - Member Rev. Fr. Armando R. Limsa - Member Kgd. Rodolfo C. Flordeliza Vice-Gov. Joel T. Reyes Atty. Teodoro Q. Pena Cong. Alfredo A. Abueg, Jr. Usec. Ricardo M. Umali - Member - Member - Member Dir. Lirio Calixto representing DDG. Aniceto M. Sobrepena

Absent:

Mayor Edward S. Hagedorn - Member
Mayor Wenceslao delas Alas - Member
Usec. Joemari D. Gerochi - Member
Rear Adm. Pio H. Garrido - Member
DDG. Aniceto M. Sobrepena - Member

PCSD RESOLUTION NO. 93-38

RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL COMMUNITIES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THE REPORT OF THE PCSD'S COMMITTEE ON TRIBAL AFFAIRS ON THE FINDINGS OF THE CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS WITH THE RESIDENTS OF THE PROPOSED TRIBAL RESERVATION AREAS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF EL NIDO AND G.E. ABORDO

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.A. 7611, the Strategic Environmental Plan shall provide for the establishment of the Environmentally Critical Areas Network (ECAN), a graded system of protection and development control over the whole of the Palawan, including among others, tribal ancestral lands;

WHEREAS, as defined in Section 3 of the Act, tribal land areas refer to the areas comprising both land and sea that are traditionally occupied by the cultural communities;

WHEREAS, among the initially proposed tribal reservations in Palawan are Barangay Bocana and the Islands of Lalutaya and Cagbuli of El Nido Municipality and Sitio Barangonan and Pical, G.E. Abordo Municipality;

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 4410 entitled "An Act Establishing the Northern Palawan Tagbanua Reservation in the Municipality of El Nido, Province of Palawan and Providing Funds Therefore" and House Bill No. 9827 entitled "An Act Establishing Barangay Barangonan and Barangay Pical in the Municipality of G.E. Abordo, Province of Palawan as Tagbanua Tribal Reservations and Appropriating Funds Therefore" which were introduced by Cong. David A. Ponce de Leon and Cong. Alfredo A. Abueg, Jr.;

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WHEREAS, in view of the differences in opinion of the PCSD and DENR regarding the various aspects of their operations and in particular their respective jurisdictions on the management of the environment of Palawan, a review of Republic Act 7611 is necessary to clarify matters and define more specifically the powers and functions of the Council;

WHEREAS, said joint committee shall provide the forum for discussing and resolving opposing viewpoints;

NOW THEREFORE, the Palawan Council hereby resolves to request Congressman Alfredo A. Abueg, Jr. and Congressman David A. Ponce de Leon to file the appropriate bill in Congress that will clarify and resolve the differences between the DENR and the PCSD with respect to authorities and powers relative to the management of the environment of Palawan.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of October 1993 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.

Certified True and Correct:

EXEC. DIR. ARTHUR R.

Secretary

Approved:

GOV. SALVADOR P. SOCRATES

Chairman