

Republic of the Philippines
Palawan Council for Sustainable Development
(R.A. 7611)
Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

Excerpts from the Minutes of the 31st Council Meeting of the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development held at the Conference Room of the Western Command, Puerto Princesa City, 26 October 1994.

Present:

Gov. Salvador P. Socrates	-	Chairman
Cong. David A. Ponce de Leon	-	Vice-Chairman
Exec. Dir. Arthur R. Ventura	-	Secretary
Cong. Alfredo E. Abueg Jr.	-	Member
Maj. Crispiniano G. Acosta Jr.	-	Member
Rev. Fr. Armando R. Limsa	-	Member
Mr. Vic Milan	-	Member
Atty. Teodoro Q. Pena	-	Member
Vice Gov. Joel T. Reyes	-	Member
Maj. Gen. Carlos F. Tanega	-	Member
RED Wilfrido Pollisco representing Usec. Ricardo M. Umali	-	Member
Ms. Marilou C. Lonzana representing Kgd. Elegio F. Quejano Jr.	-	Member

Absent:

Usec. Joemari D. Gerochi	-	Member
Dep. Dir. Gen. Aniceto M. Sobrepena	-	Member
Usec. Ricardo M. Umali	-	Member
Mayor Wenceslao de las Alas	-	Member
Mayor Edward S. Hagedorn	-	Member
Kgd. Elegio F. Quejano Jr.	-	Member

PCSD RESOLUTION NO. 94-62

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED PRELIMINARY MAP OF THE ENVIRONMENTALLY CRITICAL AREAS NETWORK (ECAN) OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN VICENTE

WHEREAS, R.A. 7611, otherwise known as the Strategic Environmental Plan (SEP) for Palawan, took effect on 19 June 1992 and Section 16 of said Act provides that the governance, implementation and policy direction of the SEP shall be exercised by the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD), under the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, Section 6 of R. A. 7611 also provides that the SEP shall serve as the framework to guide the government agencies concerned in the formulation of plans, programs and projects affecting the environment and natural resources of Palawan;

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WHEREAS, the proposed Range covering 137 hectares possesses near-ideal characteristics, which include: accessibility, proximity to the airbase, favorable topography (grassland with mountain ranges to the north, south and west), security, and relative distance from thickly populated areas;

WHEREAS, the Council took cognizance of the long-term importance of the proposed Gunnery and Bombing Range to ensure combat preparedness of the armed forces relative to strengthening the defense posture of the country with respect to the strategically important "western frontier", and projecting military power to protect the country's economic and potential interests;

WHEREAS, the proponent assures the Council of the installation of safety and environmental measures in the proposed Gunnery and Bombing Range;

WHEREAS, His Excellency, the President Fidel V. Ramos, issued Executive Order No. 167, creating among others an Inter-Agency Study Committee to study the best use of the existing Iwahig Prison and Penal Farm, where the proposed Gunnery and Bombing Range shall be located;

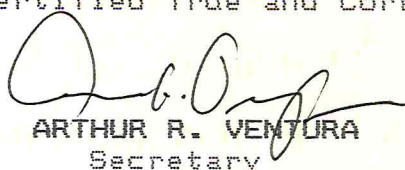
NOW THEREFORE, upon motion by Cong. Alfredo E. Abueg Jr., duly seconded by Exec. Dir. Arthur R. Ventura, Usec. Ricardo M. Umali, Maj. Crispiniano G. Acosta, and Mr. Clemencio Q. Pena, all the members of the Council present;

RESOLVED, as it hereby resolve, that the Council endorse, as it hereby endorse, the proposed Gunnery and Bombing Range within the Inagawan Sub-Colony, provided that safety and environmental measures shall be undertaken by the proponent;

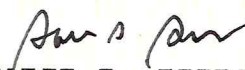
RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of the Department of National Defense, National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Director General, Chairman of the Iwahig Inter-Agency Study Committee, concerned local government units and other agencies for their information, consideration and appropriate action;

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 30th day of September, 1994 in Quezon City.

Certified True and Correct:


ARTHUR R. VENTURA
Secretary

Approved:


SALVADOR P. SOCRATES
Chairman

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