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MEMORANDUM

TO : All Regional Directors

Mines and Geosciences Bureau

FROM : The Secretary

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

SUBJECT: Strict Monitoring of Mining Operations, Imposition of

Penalties/Sanctions on Violations and Immediate

Remediation of Effects/Damages

In line with the President's statement pertaining to the concerns on the damages and adverse effects of irresponsible mining and abusive miners, all Regional Directors of the Mines and Geosciences Bureau are hereby directed to implement the following:

- 1. Strict and continuous monitoring of mining operations in accordance with the standards set forth under the existing mining and environmental laws, rules and regulations, particularly on the environmental, social and safety provisions thereof.
- 2. Conduct of immediate investigation and imposition of appropriate penalties and sanctions on violations committed.
- 3. Immediate implementation of appropriate remediation/rehabilitation of adverse effects/damages, including the prompt assessment and payment of compensation to the affected individual/s.

Please be reminded that irresponsible mining should never be allowed in your respective areas of jurisdiction.

FOR STRICT COMPLIANCE.

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