

Fisheries Administrative Order No. 29-1

SUBJECT: Amending Sections 8 and 9 of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 29

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 (i) of Republic Act No. 177, of Act No. 4003, as amended by Commonwealth Act No. 471, and of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 29, the following rules and regulations regarding the gathering of aquatic turtle eggs particularly in the Turtle Island Group, Turtle Islands, are hereby promulgated:

SECTION 1. For purposes of these regulations, "aquatic turtle eggs", applies to the eggs of aquatic turtle eggs in general and in particular to the eggs of the following :

1. Erithmechelys imbricata (Hawksbill turtle)
2. Carretta olivaces (Leatherneck turtle)
3. Chilean japonica (Green turtle)

SEC. 2. Fees: Scale of annual concession fee.---The annual concession fee for gathering turtle eggs for all the seven (7) islands consisting the Turtle Island shall not be less than P10,000.00 per annum.

The Turtle Island Group consisting of Sibauang Island, Langaan Island, Boaan Island, Lihiman Island, Baguan Island, Taganak Island and Great Bakkuagaan Island shall be leased for a period of five years (5), subject to renewal in the discretion of the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Quarterly installments on or before the 15th of every month of each quarter may be allowed. Failure of the lessee to pay the concession fee due shall be sufficient cause for the confiscation of the bond deposit and the termination of the lease.

SEC.3 Bond to guarantee good faith of lessee.- --A minimum cash or surety bond of P2,500.00 shall be deposited by the lessee as a guaranty of good faith and satisfactory compliance with the terms and conditions of the lease. Failure of the lessee to file such a bond as herein required within thirty (30) days from the date of notification, will be sufficient cause for rejecting the application, unless the applicant has sufficient grounds or satisfactory reasons for the delay in filing the bond, in which case the application may be reinstated within the period prescribed by the regulations.

SEC. 4 Repealing provisions.---All existing orders and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this order are hereby revoked.

SEC. 5.Effectivity.---This Administrative Order shall take effect upon its approval by the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

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Acting Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources