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**SUBJECT : ADOPTING THE PROTOCOL ON THE LOAN OF
PHILIPPINE EAGLE**


Pursuant to Republic Act No. 9147, known as the Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act of 2001 and its Joint Implementing Rules and Regulations (Joint DENR-DA-PCSD Administrative Order No. 01 Series of 2004); Presidential Proclamation No. 615 of 1995, entitled "Declaring the Philippine Eagle as the National Bird of the Philippines;" DENR Administrative Order No. 1993-09, entitled "Amending DENR Administrative Order No. 45 re: Policies on the Loan of Endangered, Rare and Threatened Philippine Wildlife Species;" and DAO 2016-07, that provided for the adoption of the "DENR Manual of Authorities on Technical Matters" which specifically authorizes the Secretary to approve the disposition of wildlife; and in the light of increasing interests from several institutions to acquire Philippine eagle through a Wildlife Loan Agreement thereby forming part of the government's overall strategy to manage and conserve the Philippine eagle, the hereto attached "Protocol on the Loan of Philippine Eagle" is hereby adopted for information and guidance by all concerned.

The Protocol shall serve as a national guide in evaluating applications for the loan of Philippine eagle(s) to ensure that such loan will significantly contribute to addressing the threats to the species and its habitat. The Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB) in coordination with the concerned DENR Regional Offices and the Philippine Eagle Working Group (PEWG) shall take the lead in evaluating the loan applications. The authority to approve such loan applications remains with the DENR Secretary.

The Protocol may be revised towards ensuring better protection and conservation of the Philippine eagle, as may be deemed necessary, through a resolution by the PEWG.

All Department Orders, Memorandum Circulars, and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

This Circular takes effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation and upon acknowledgment of receipt of a copy thereof by the Office of the National Administrative Register.


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