FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE)
ORDER NO.   165   :   11 April 1989
Series of 1989.   )

SUBJECT: Establishing a closed season of
five (5) years for the operation
of commercial fishing boats in-
cluding the operation of a gear
known as "buli-buli" within the
water portions of Lamon Bay,
Lopez Bay and Calauag Bay, Quezon.

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4 and 7 of Presidential
Decree No. 704, as amended, otherwise known as the "Fisheries Decree
of 1975", and Section 1 of Presidential Decree No. 1015, the follow-
ing rules and regulations are hereby promulgated for the protection
and conservation of fisheries and aquatic resources within the water
portions of Lamon Bay, Lopez Bay and Calauag Bay, Quezon.

SECTION 1. Definition. - For the purpose of this administra-
tive order, the following terms shall mean:

a) Water portions of Lamon Bay, Lopez Bay and Calauag
Bay - refer to bodies of water SW and SE of Alabat
Island, surrounding Quezon Province within the por-
tions of Lamon Bay, Lopez Bay and Calauag Bay, bound-
ed on the North by Lamon Bay, on the East, South and
West by shoreline of the Municipalities of Calauag,
Lopez, Gumaca, Plaridel, Atimonan and Mauban, Que-
zon. Beginning at a point mark 1 on Map being Saley
point part of Mauban, Quezon with latitude 14°14'45"
N longitude 121°45'30"E to point 2; Gerardo Point
part of Perez, Quezon with latitude 14°14'15"N long-
itude 121°55'45" E to point 3; San Miguel point part
of Quezon, Quezon with latitude 14°05'21" N longitude
122°07'37" E to point 4; Pangao point part of Calauag,
Quezon with latitude 14°09'45" N longitude 122°10'00"
E traversing along the coastlines of Calauag then to
Lopez, Gumaca, Plaridel, Atimonan, Mauban to the
point of beginning, as shown in the sketch plan
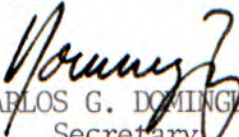attached hereto and made as an integral part of this
Order.

b) "Buli-Buli" (hulbot-hulbot) - refers to a fishing
gear consisting of a conical shaped net with a
pair of wings, the ends of which are connected to
two ropes with buri, plastic strips or any similar
materials to serve as scaring/herding device with
hauling ropes passing through a metallic ring per-
manently attached to a tom weight (linggote) when
hauled into a fishing boat.

SEC. 2. Prohibition. - It shall be unlawful for any person,
partnership, association, cooperative or corporation to operate
commercial fishing boats of more than three (3) gross tons includ-
ing the use of a fishing gear known as "buli-buli" within the wa-
ter portions of Lamon Bay, Lopez Bay and Calauag Bay, Quezon during
the five (5) year closed season from the effectivity of this Order:
Provided, That the Secretary of Agriculture may, upon the recom-
mendation of the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, sus-
pend, lift or terminate earlier the declared closed season period
and allow certain fishing gear to operate in the prohibited water
areas as determined by scientific studies through proper monitor-
ing, assessment and evaluation of the resource by the Department
of Agriculture Regional Office No. IV.

SEC. 3. Penal Clause. - Violation of the foregoing prohibi-
tion shall subject the offender to a fine of not less than Five
Hundred (₱500.00) Pesos but not more than Five Thousand (₱5,000.00)
Pesos or imprisonment from six (6) months to four (4) years, or
both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court:
Provided, That the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources is
hereby empowered to impose upon the offender an administrative fine
of not more than Five Thousand (₱5,000.00) Pesos including the con-
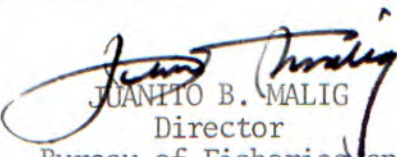fiscation of the fish caught, gear and other fishing paraphernalia
used therein.

SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. - All existing administrative orders,
rules and regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with
the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or amended accord-
ingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect fifteen
(15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette and/or in
two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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