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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
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FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE )  
ORDER NO. 166 :  
Series of 1989. )

July 11, 1989

SUBJECT: Establishing a closed season of five (5) years in Panguil Bay for the operation of filter net or locally known as "Sanggab".

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3 (b), 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 following rules and regulations are hereby promulgated for the protection and conservation of fisheries and aquatic resources in Panguil Bay.

SECTION 1. Definition. - For the purpose of this Order, the following term shall mean:

Filter Net or "Sanggab" - a fixed stationary fishing gear made of natural/synthetic materials with a fine screen at cod-end forming a conical bag with "non-return" valves. Its mouth is held open by sets of anchors and floats or by tying two (2) laterals sides of the rib lines to a set of rings attached to two (2) vertical posts and bottom line pulled down by sinkers and set against the tidal current, both ebb and flood.

SEC. 2. Water Area. - As used in this Order, "Panguil Bay" shall mean the body of water bounded on the North by the coastline of Misamis Occidental, on the West by the coastline of Zamboanga del Sur, and on the East by the coastline of Lanao del Norte and enclosed on the Northeast by an imaginary straight line drawn from Clarin River, Barangay Iliangan, Misamis Occidental to Miago, Lanao del Norte.

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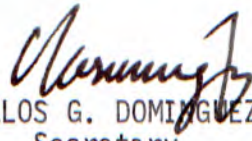
SEC. 3. Prohibition. - It shall be unlawful at all times during the five-year closed season established herein for any person, association, corporation, partnership or cooperative, to conduct fishing operations in Panguil Bay with the use of filter net or "sanggab".

SEC. 4. Grace Period. - All owners/operators of filter net or "sanggab" in Panguil Bay are given a grace period of sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order to remove or dismantle same, otherwise, the DA-Panguil Bay Task Force shall cause the demolition of the same at their expense.

SEC. 5. Penal Clause. - Violation of the provision of this Order shall subject the offender to a fine of from Five Hundred (P500.00) Pesos to Five Thousand (P5,000.00) 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 (P5,000.00) Pesos, including the confiscation of the filter net or "sanggab", fish and other fishing paraphernalia used therein.

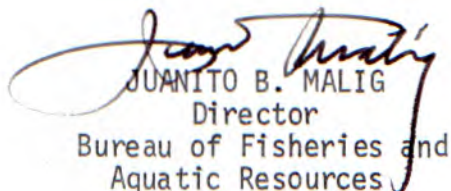
SEC. 6. Repealing Clause. - All existing Orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 7. 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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RECOMMENDING APPROVAL:



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