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SUBJECT : CREATION OF MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH TEAM FOR THE PROJECT "BIOMASS ESTIMATION OF *Sardinella lemuru* (Bleeker, 1853) AND OTHER PELAGIC SPECIES IN SUPPORT TO THE AMENDMENT OF THE CODEX STANDARD FOR CANNED SARDINES AND SARDINE-TYPE PRODUCTS (CXS 94-1981)

In the exigency of service, the Marine Scientific Research Team for *S. lemuru* Biomass Estimates is hereby created to provide technical expertise and information on-board M/V SEAFDEC 2 through resource and ecological assessment along the Zamboanga Peninsula and parts of Visayan Sea (Ticao and Burias Pass) in support to the Philippines proposal on amending the *Standard for Canned Sardines and Sardine-Type Products* (CXS 94-1981).

The Marine Scientific Research Team shall be composed of the following:

Names	Designation	Roles/Responsibility
DR. MUDJEKEEWIS D. SANTOS	<i>Scientist IV, NFRDI</i>	Chairperson
MS. ELSA F. FURIO	<i>Chief, CFRDD, NFRDI</i>	Co-Chairperson
Members:		
DR. ULYSSES M. MONTOJO	<i>Chief, FPHRDD, NFRDI</i>	Senior Research Staff
MR. RAFFY V. RAMISCAL	<i>Chief, CFD, BFAR</i>	Senior Research Staff
MS. MARIBETH M. QUIMPO	<i>CFD, BFAR</i>	Coordinator
MR. RONNIE O. ROMERO	<i>Senior Science Research Specialist, FPHRDD, NFRDI</i>	Coordinator
MS. GRACE DV. LOPEZ	<i>Senior Science Research Specialist, CFRDD, NFRDI</i>	Junior Research Staff
MR. FRANCISCO SB. TORRES, JR.	<i>Science Research Specialist II, CFRDD, NFRDI</i>	Junior Research Staff
Researchers On-board:		
1. VALERIANO M. BORJA	<i>Science Research Specialist II</i>	Cruise Leader
2. MARVIN L. TOBIAS	<i>Science Research Specialist II</i>	Researcher, Oceanography
3. JAMES LEE ABAD	<i>Science Research Specialist I (COS)</i>	Researcher, Fisheries Acoustics and Resource Assessment
4. NICKO AMOR FLORES	<i>Science Research Specialist I (COS)</i>	Researcher, Fisheries Acoustics and Resource Assessment
5. EDMUND ENERO	<i>Science Research Specialist I (COS)</i>	Researcher, Fisheries Acoustics and Resource Assessment

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1. EVANGELINE S. SAPUL	<i>Aquaculturist 1</i>	Researcher, Chemical Oceanography
2. JONNIEL S. LEYSON	<i>(JO)</i>	Researcher, Physical Oceanography
3. EVANGELINE S. SAPUL	<i>(JO)</i>	Researcher, Chemical Oceanography

The Marine Scientific Research Team shall have the following functions and responsibilities:

- (1) The Chairperson and Co-Chair - provide leadership and oversee the whole implementation of the project. They must see to it that the objectives of the project are attained and ensure that the technical report is prepared and submitted to proper authorities;
- (2) Senior and Junior Technical staff - provide their field of expertise, knowledge, and guidance in the project;
- (3) Coordinators - responsible for the communication for every port of call and for processing of required documents for the arrival of the vessel (berthing, re-watering, refueling, and assisting the crew in the purchase of provisions for the ship) ;
- (4) Cruise Leader- directly supervise all the operations and research activities on board the vessel. Responsible for coordinating shipboard activities to the ship's captain and promoting an effective and safe working environment;
- (5) Researchers (Researcher/Oceanography)- responsible for the collection of ichthyoplankton, plankton, and other environmental parameters (using CTD);
- (6) Researchers (Researcher/Fisheries Acoustics and Resource Assessment)- responsible for the observation of acoustic instrument and fishing activities.

All expenses to be incurred by the Marine Scientific Research Team during the entire course of the expedition shall be chargeable against NFRDI funds, subject to the availability of funds and existing government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda, and other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 15th day of February, 2022.


WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.
Secretary

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