ORDER No. 104 : October 8, 1971

SUBJECT: Declaring the sea waters of Bohol within a radius of three (3) nautical miles from the nearest shoreline from the mainland of Bohol and/or its islands as fisheries breeding ground and prohibiting therein the operation of fishing by means of trawl for a period of one (1) year.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 of Act No. 4003, as amended, and Section 4, Paragraphs (e) and (h) of Republic Act No. 3512, the prohibition of the operation of fishing by means of all kinds of trawl in waters within three (3) nautical miles from the shoreline of Bohol Province for the purpose of conducting a thorough scientific study, survey and research on the effect of trawl fishing to be the basis of drafting, if proper, rules and regulations affecting marine life and resources therein is hereby promulgated for the information and guidance of all concerned.

Section 1. Definition: For the purpose of this Administrative Order, the term trawl shall mean a net made in the form of conical bag with the mouth kept open by various devices and the entire gear, towed, trailed, or trawled, usually on the bottom of the sea to capture bottom-dwelling species.

Section 2. Prohibition: It shall be unlawful for any person, corporation or association to operate all kinds of trawl as herein defined in waters within three (3) nautical miles from the shoreline of Bohol Province for a period of one (1) year from the effectivity of this Order.

Section 3. Penalty: Violation of this Order shall
subject the offender to the penalty provided for in Section 83 of Act No. 4003, as amended, which is a fine of not more than two hundred pesos or an imprisonment of not more than six (6) months or both, in the discretion of the court.

Section 4. Repealing clause: All orders and regulations or any part thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Administrative Order are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Effectivity: This Administrative Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Issued this 6th day of October, 1971, at Quezon City, Philippines.

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