SUBJECT: Establishing a closed season of five (5) years for the operation of ring net (licum-licum, sinsoro or cubcub) within seven (7) kilometers from the shoreline of Camiguin Province.

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 4 and 7 of Presidential Decree No. 704, as amended, otherwise known as "Fisheries Decree of 1975", the following rules and regulations are hereby promulgated for the conservation and protection of fishery aquatic resources in the province of Camiguin.

SECTION 1. Definition of Ring Net. - Tuck seines which, in structure, combine the features of the round haul seine (which has the bunt at the center and is flanked by two wings) and the purse seine.

SEC. 2. Prohibition. - It shall be unlawful during the five-year closed season period established herein for any person, corporation, association, partnership or cooperative, to operate ring net using fishing boat of more than three (3) gross tons within seven (7) kilometers from the shoreline of Camiguin Province.

SEC. 3. Special Permit. - Notwithstanding the preceding Section 2 to the contrary, the Director of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources may grant a special permit to any government research and educational institution, to catch or take fish or aquatic life using the gear prohibited in this Order only for scientific and educational purposes, subject to such terms and conditions as he may deem proper to impose.

SEC. 4. Penal Clause. - Violation of this Order shall subject the offender to a fine of not less than Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00) to not more than Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) or imprisonment from six (6) months to four (4) years, or both, such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court: Provided, However, 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 Pesos (P5,000.00) including the confiscation of the ring net.
SEC. 5. 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orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 6. Effectivity. - This Administrative 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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Effectivity - Feb. 18, 1985