

Memorandum Order

No. 08

July 20, 1993

**SUBJECT : Transfer of Rights Over Lands at Apo
Island, Dauin, Negros Oriental**

Considering that the entire Apo Island is still an unclassified public land and until the appropriate guidelines have been made by this Office, which has jurisdiction over the same, on the transfer of rights over lands located therein and on the development of the subject island for eco-tourism and the like, this Office hereby declares and orders a MORATORIUM on the transfer of rights over lands situated at Apo Island, Dauin, Negros Oriental. Henceforth, any form of alienation/transfer of any and all rights, inchoate or otherwise, involving lands at the said island is absolutely prohibited. This, however, does not in any way recognize the validity of any past or present alienations/transfers in re.

The Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer (PENRO) of the Province of Negros Oriental is hereby directed to strictly implement this Memorandum Order. Furthermore, he is likewise directed to require the acquisition of a permit from this office vis-a-vis any development in the area.

**FOR THE INFORMATION AND COMPLIANCE OF ALL PEOPLE
CONCERNED.**

19 July 1993.

ANGEL C. ALCALA
Secretary