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Republic of the Philippines  
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao  
Province of Tawi-Tawi  
Bongao

## OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF TAWI-TAWI HELD AT  
THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SESSION HALL,  
CAPITOL BUILDING, BONGAO, TAWI-TAWI,  
ON MAY 24, 2000

### PRESENT:

Hon. Abubakar I. Dawila . . . . . *SP Member and  
Acting Presiding Officer*  
Hon. Hadji Yacob S. Harun . . . . . *SP Member*  
Hon. Abdulkarim J. Nuruddin . . . . . *SP Member*  
Hon. Datu Hadji Alawangsa M. Amilbansa . . . . . *SP Member*  
Hon. Laurel T. Tahir . . . . . *SP Member*  
Hon. Hadji Kadir J. Matolo . . . . . *SP Member*

### ABSENT:

Hon. Hadji Abubakar J. Mohammad . . . . . *Vice-Governor and  
Presiding Officer*  
Hon. Hadja Virginia S. Gan . . . . . *Ex-Officio Member  
(PCL, Tawi-Tawi Chapter)*  
Hon. Saral Samsurin . . . . . *Ex-Officio Member  
(SKP, Tawi-Tawi Chapter)*

### RESOLUTION No. 091

*Series of 2000*

### RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION URGENTLY REQUESTING ALL CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION AGAINST MALAYSIAN FISHING BOATS (TAMPASAKS), WHICH ARE REPORTED TO HAVE INTRUDED INTO PHILIPPINE WATERS AND ENGAGED IN ILLEGAL FISHING AND POACHING IN THE VICINITY OF TAGANAK ISLANDS, PROVINCE OF TAWI-TAWI**

**WHEREAS**, it has been brought to our attention the reported intrusion of Malaysian Fishing Boats (Tampasaks) in the vicinity of Taganak Islands and engage in illegal fishing and poaching;

**WHEREAS**, this reports have been confirmed by Mr. Jul-ajid U. Jamiri, MAO of the Municipality of Taganak Islands in a letter to the DAF Provincial Director / PAO of Tawi-Tawi Province and which forwarded to the Office of the DAF Regional Secretary, ARMM, Cotabato City;

**WHEREAS**, a related graft complaint against the Municipal Mayor of Taganak Islands, Honorable Mibaral Tang, has been filed with the Office of the Ombudsman for allowing those fishing boats, numbering about 100 to illegally operate and fish in Philippine Waters, and for accepting bribe money or illegal fees from these Malaysian Fishing Boats;

**WHEREAS**, these Malaysian Fishing boats which used Trawl fishing method are depleting marine fisheries resource in the vicinity of Taganak Islands to the disadvantages of the majority local fishermen whose livelihood and sustenance depend on traditional fishing near the islands;

**WHEREAS**, illegal fishing and poaching in the vicinity of Taganak Islands violate Philippine Fisheries Law and the integrity of our territorial waters;

**WHEREAS**, continued illegal fishing and poaching in the vicinity of Taganak Islands will adversely affect the economic livelihood of our marginal fishermen in the area;

**WHEREAS**, these illegal fishing and poaching in our territorial waters by Malaysian Fishing boats also pose a grave threat to the lives of the endangered "turtle species", for which Taganak Islands were declared Turtle Conservation and Sanctuary Areas.

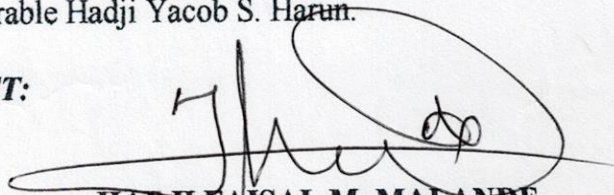
**NOW THEREFORE**

On session duly assembled, **RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, to urgently request all concerned government agencies to take appropriate action against Malaysian Fishing Boats (Tampasaks), which are reported to have intruded into our Philippine waters for illegal fishing and poaching in the vicinity of Taganak Islands, province of Tawi-Tawi.

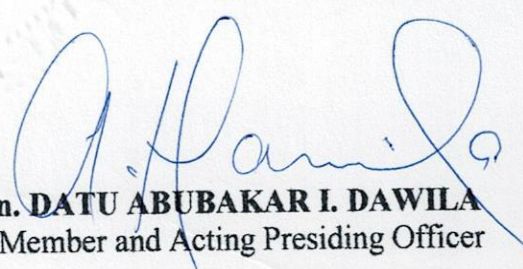
**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be furnished Honorable Edgardo Angara, Secretary of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, Elliptical Road, Diliman Quezon City; Vice-Admiral Luisito Fernandez, Flag in Command, Philippine Navy, Head Quarter of the Philippine Navy, Roxas Blvd., Manila; and Honorable Nur G. Jaafar, Congressman, Lone District of Tawi-Tawi, House of Representatives, Diliman, Quezon City.

**ADOPTED**, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May 2000, on motion of Honorable Datu Hadji Alawangsa M. Amilbangsa, and duly seconded by Honorable Hadji Yacob S. Harun.

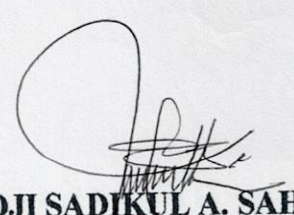
**CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:**

  
**HADJI FAISAL M. MALANDE**  
Secretary, SP

**ATTESTED:**

  
**Hon. DATU ABUBAKAR I. DAWILA**  
SP Member and Acting Presiding Officer

**APPROVED:**

  
**HADJI SADIKUL A. SAHALI**  
Provincial Governor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_