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**SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 1802  
 Series of 2024

**SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT AND ATTEND THE HIGH SEAS BOARDING AND INSPECTION (HSBI) TRAINING FOR FISHERIES LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON NOVEMBER 24-29, 2024**

In the interest of service, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources—Fisheries Resources and Management Division—through the Conservation and Environmental Protection Section (BFAR FMRD-CEPS) in partnership with Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) Canada is hereby authorized to conduct the *“High Seas Boarding and Inspection (HSBI) Training for Fisheries Law Enforcement Officers”* on November 24-29, 2024 (inclusive of travel time), in General Santos City, Region XII, and vicinities.

The aforementioned activity aims to:

1. Develop Legal and Operational Expertise: Equip officers with detailed knowledge of international fisheries laws, such as UNCLOS and WCPFC regulations.
2. Enhance Technical Competencies: Provide hands-on training in safe and effective boarding and inspection techniques, including fish identification, vessel documentation, and evidence collection.
3. Promote International Cooperation: Prepare officers to coordinate with other flag states and fisheries enforcement bodies globally.
4. Formalize the Qualification Process: Grant successful trainees the legal authority to conduct high seas inspections and boarding operations, signified by a qualification tab on their uniforms.

The authorize participants are from the following offices and BFAR Regions:

OFFICE/REGIONS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
FRMD-CEPS	2
VOC	1
Region II	2
Region IV-A	1
Region VII	1
Region IX	1
Region XI	4
Region XII	3

Traveling expenses and per diem of participants shall be chargeable against the funds of their respective offices. All expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the activity, including payment for venue/ training facilities, food and accommodation, activity supplies and other incidental expenses shall be chargeable against the BFAR Central Office funds, subject to the availability of funds and existing government procurement, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

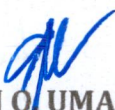


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This Order shall take effect immediately and revoked upon activity's completion. All orders and memoranda that are inconsistent herewith are hereby revoked.

Done this 26<sup>th</sup> day of Nov. 2024.

For and By the Authority of the Secretary

  
**ALLAN Q. UMALI**  
Undersecretary for Administration  
(as per Special Order No. 618, series of 2024)



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