

**[ PROCLAMATION NO. 223, November 21, 1950 ]**

**EXCLUDING FROM THE OPERATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDERS NOS. 35 AND 35, SERIES OF 1904 AND 1912, RESPECTIVELY, A PORTION OF THE ISLAND OF CULION, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, ISLAND OF PALAWAN, AND DECLARING THE SAME OPEN FOR MINING PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, a petition has been filed for the exclusion of a portion of the island of Culion, consisting of two lots (lots Nos. 3 and 4, Bsm-59), located in the Province of Palawan, Island of Palawan, from the Culion Leper Colony Reservation established; under Executive Orders Numbered Thirty-five and Thirty-five, series of nineteen hundred and four and nineteen hundred and twelve, respectively, particularly described as follows:

*(Lot No. 3, Bsm-59)*

Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan lot No. 3, Bsm-59, being N. 3° 44' E., 12,016.94 meters more or less from U.S.C. & G.S. Triangulation Station Saddle Rock, Mun. of Coron, Palawan, thence S. 40° 00' E., 345.00 meters to point 2; thence S. 50° 00' W., 450.00 meters to point 3; equivalent to 3/lot No. 4, Bsm-59, thence N. 40° 00' W., 555.00 meters to point 4; thence N. 50° 00' E., 450.00 meters to point 5; equivalent to 4/Bsm-59, thence S. 40° 00' E., 210.00 meters to point 1; which is the point of beginning; containing an area of 24.9750 hectares.

*(Lot No. 4, Bsm-59)*

Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan Bsm-59 being N. 3° 35' E., 10,744.39 meters more or less from U S.C. & G.S. Triangulation Station Saddle Rock, Mun. of Coron, Palawan, thence N. 40° 00' W., 555.00 meters to point 2; thence N. 50° 09' E., 450.00 meters to point 3; thence S. 40° 00' E., 555.00 meters to point 4; thence S. 50° 00' W., 450.00 meters to point 1; which is the point of beginning; containing an area of 24.9750 hectares.

WHEREAS, according to the report of the Director of Mines, concurred in by the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the above-described portions of the Island of Culion, now included within the Culion Leper Colony Reservation, appears to be highly mineralized; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of section fourteen of Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred and thirty-seven, as amended, otherwise known as the Mining Act, lands within reservations established for purposes other than mining, which, after such reservation is made, are found to be more valuable for their mineral contents than for the purpose for which the reservation was made, may be withdrawn from such reservations by the President of the Philippines with the concurrence of the Congress of the Republic of the Philippines;