

**[ PROCLAMATION NO. 66, May 17, 1948 ]**

**EXCLUDING FROM THE OPERATION OF PROCLAMATION NO. 823 DATED JUNE 29, 1935, AND OPENING TO DISPOSITION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NO. 137, AS AMENDED, A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN THE BARRIOS OF KAN-KAHURAO AND KAPULAHAN, MUNICIPALITY OF AROROI, PROVINCE OF MASBATE, ISLAND OF MASBATE, PHILIPPINES.**

WHEREAS, petitions have been filed for the release of one parcel of mineral land, located in the barrios Kan-Kahurao and Kapulahan, municipality of Aroroi, Province of Masbate, Island of Masbate, Philippines, from the Northern Masbate Forest Reserve established under Proclamation No 823 dated June 29, 1935;

WHEREAS, according to the findings of the Director of Mines, concurred in by the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the said parcel of land included in the Northern Masbate Forest Reserve appears to be mineralized; and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of section 14 of Commonwealth Act No. 137, 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found to be more valuable for their mineral contents than for the purpose for which the reservation was made, may be withdrawn from such reservations by the President of the Philippines only with the concurrence of the Congress of the Philippines;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby exclude from the operation of Proclamation No. 823, dated June 29, 1935, and declare open to disposition under the provisions of Commonwealth Act No. 137, otherwise known as the Mining Act, as amended, that parcel of land situated in the barrios of Kan-Kahurao and Kapulahan, municipality of Aroroi, Province of Masbate, Island of Masbate, and described on plan No. Bsm-50-D, to wit:

"Beginning at corner marked 1 on plan Bsm-50-D being N. 78° 30' W., 12,112.78 meters, more or less, from triangulation point Bagalihog, U.S.C. & G.S., Masbate, thence S. 60° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 2; thence S. 60° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 3; thence S. 60° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 4; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 5; thence S. 60° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 6; thence S. 60° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 7; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 8; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 9; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 10; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 11; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 12; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 13; thence N. 30° 00' W., 300.00 meters to corner 14; thence N. 60° 00' E., 300.00 meters to corner 15; thence N. 60° 00' E., 300.00 meters to corner 16; thence N. 60° 00' E., 300.00 meters to corner 17; thence N. 60° 00' E., 300.00 meters to corner 18; thence N. 60° 00' E., 300.00 meters to corner 19;