

REGULATION #20 RESTRICTED EXPORT OF MINOR FOREST PRODUCTS

WHEREAS, the Act creating the Forestry Development Authority approved November 1, 1976 and published December 20, 1976 in Section 4 (j) and (n), conferred upon the Forestry Development Authority, the power to promulgate, issue, amend and rescind Forestry rules and regulations to ensure the accomplishment of all its policy objectives; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 (c) of the said Act creating the Forestry Development Authority, it is one of the primary objectives of the Authority to protect and conserve the forest resources in all way that would enhance and sustain their development and utilization; and

WHEREAS, minor forest products of this country have immense potentials to induce accelerated growth and development in the rural economics; and

WHEREAS, these minor forest resources are increasingly gaining importance both on the internal and external markets thus posing serious threats to their sustained availability; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Forestry Development Authority does hereby rule and regulate that exportation of all minor forest products is limited only to their processed and finished forms for end user consumption.

SECTION I: DEFINITION MINOR FOREST PRODUCTS:

Numerous forest products other than timber whose consumption and trade are not yet development as to be properly recorded into the National Statistics.

These minor forest products include, but are not limited to the following:

Bamboos
Gum
Resin
Cork
Piassava & other fibres
Rattan/raffia

Chewing sticks

High forest tree seeds

Wild mushrooms

Medicinal herbs and barks

Honey

Others

SECTION II. EFFECTIVE DATE

This regulation shall become effective on April 30, 1990 and shall be announced in the public and published in the FDA Newsletter.