



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM
SOUTHERN TAGALOG REGION

TRAVEL ADVISORY
10 April 2013

Subject : Situation in the Tubbataha Reefs after the Grounding Incident of the Chinese Fishing Vessel *Min Long Yu*

The DOT – Southern Tagalog Region is in receipt of the official information from the Park Management of the Tubbataha Reef National Park that the *Min Long Yu*, a Chinese fishing vessel that ran aground at the Tubbataha Reef at around 11:40 p.m. last 8 April 2013. The said fishing vessel was grounded within a radius of 1.1 nautical miles east of the Tubbataha Park ranger station.

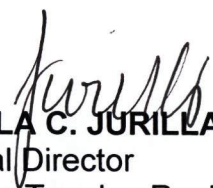
Ms. Angelique Songco, of the Tubbataha Reefs Protected Area Superintendent, informed this Regional Office that the situation is under control and the diving activities are operational, based on a set of guidelines and clearances issued by the Tubbataha Reefs Protected Area Office.

Dive groups who have received the clearance to dive at the reef may proceed with their scheduled itinerary after the issuance of the standard permits from the Tubbataha Reefs Protected Area Office. The office address of the Tubbataha Reefs Protected Area Office is at 41 Abad Santos Street, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan with contact numbers (048) 434 5759.

For the information of all concerned.

Thank you.

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