

## Note No. PR/ASEAN/082/2016

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN presents its compliments to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Secretariat and has the honour to refer to the *Protocol on the Legal Framework to Implement the ASEAN Single Window* (the "Protocol") done at Ha Noi, Viet Nam, on 4 September 2015.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN has the further honour to deposit Singapore's Instrument of Ratification for the Protocol and to notify the ASEAN Secretariat, pursuant to Article 25(1) of the Protocol, that the Government of the Republic of Singapore has completed its internal procedures necessary for the entry into force of the Protocol.

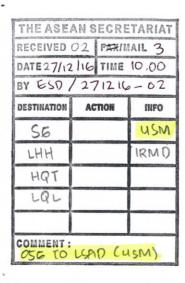
In this regard, the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN would be grateful if the Secretary-General of ASEAN notifies the other ASEAN Member States of Singapore's notification and deposit of the Instrument of Ratification for the Protocol in accordance with Article 25(2) of the Protocol.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

JAKARTA 27 December 2016

ASEAN Secretariat

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## **INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION**

WHEREAS the Protocol on the Legal Framework to Implement the ASEAN Single Window ("the Protocol") was signed on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Singapore at Ha Noi, Viet Nam on 4 September 2015,

**AND WHEREAS** Article 25(1) of the Protocol provides that the Protocol shall enter into force, after all Member States have notified or, where necessary, deposited Instruments of Ratifications with the Secretary-General of ASEAN,

**NOW THEREFORE I**, Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Singapore, declare that the Government of the Republic of Singapore, having considered the Protocol, ratifies the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this instrument of ratification in Singapore on this Fourteenth Day of December in the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen.

DR VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS
REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE