



LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

The Prime Minister

INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

to the Charter of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations

WHEREAS the Charter of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations ("the ASEAN Charter") was concluded at the 13th ASEAN Summit in Singapore, on 20th November 2007;

AND WHEREAS the ASEAN Charter was signed on behalf of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on that date;

AND WHEREAS Paragraph 2 of Article 47 of the ASEAN Charter provides that it shall be subject to ratification by all ASEAN Member States in accordance with their respective internal procedures;

NOW THEREFORE I, Bouasone BOUPHAVANH, Prime Minister of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, declare that the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, having considered the above-mentioned Charter, ratifies the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed, and affixed my seal to, this Instrument of Ratification at Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic, on 14 February 2008.

Bouasone BOUPHAVANH
Prime Minister