

Note No. PR/ASEAN/005/2016

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honour to refer to the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children (the "Convention"), signed at the 27<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Summit in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 21 November 2015.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN has the further honour to deposit Singapore's Instrument of Ratification for the Convention with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, in accordance with Article 28(1) of the Convention.

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.

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25 January 2016



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THE ASEAN SECRETARIAT LEGAL SERVICES AND AGREEMENTS DIRECTORATE



## **INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION**

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children (hereinafter referred to as the "Convention") was adopted in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 21 November 2015;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Convention was signed on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Singapore on 21 November 2015;

**AND WHEREAS**, Article 28, paragraph 1 of the Convention provides that the Convention shall be subject to ratification;

**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 Convention, 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 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January in the Year Two Thousand and Sixteen.

**DR VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN**MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE