

## LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to ASEAN Jakarta

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The Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to convey herewith the original copy of the Instrument of Acceptance for the Protocol to Implement the Seventh Package of Commitments on Financial Services under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services signed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Lao PDR dated 14 November 2016.

It would be appreciated for the Instrument of Acceptance to be conveyed to its highest destination.

The Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to ASEAN avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

ASEAN Secretariat Jakarta

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THE ASEAN SECRETARIAT LEGAL SERVICES AND AGREEMENTS DIRECTORATE



## LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

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## INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

The Protocol to Implement the Seventh Package of Commitments on Financial Services Under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services

WHEREAS The Protocol to Implement the Seventh Package of Commitments on Financial Service Under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, at Hanoi, Vietnam, on 23 June 2016,

AND WHEREAS Paragraph 6 stipulates that this Protocol and commitments set out in the Annexes shall enter into force one hundred and eighty (180) days after the date of its signing. Subsequent commitments made in accordance with paragraph 5 shall enter into force one hundred and eighty (180) days after the date such commitments are notified in writing to the AFMM and Paragraph 9 (1) and (2) stipulate that Where a Member state is unable to complete its internal procedures for the entry into force of this Protocol within one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of its signing, the rights and obligations of that Member State under this Protocol shall commence on the first day following the date on which notification was made under paragraph 8, and Where a Participating Member State is unable to complete its internal procedures within one hundred and eighty (180) days after the date upon which subsequent commitments made by Participating Member States in accordance with paragraph 5 are notified to the AFMM, the rights and obligations of that Participating Member State shall commence on the first day following the date on which notification was made under paragraph 8.

NOW THEREFORE I, Saleumxay KOMMASITH, Minister of Foreign Affairs, declare that the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, having considered the said Protocol, accepts the same and undertakes to faithfully perform and carry out the provisions therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed and sealed this Instrument of Acceptance at Vientiane, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, on 14 November 2016.

Saleumxay KOMMASITH