

INSTRUMENT OF ACCESSION

WHEREAS the Memorandum of Understanding between the Governments of the Participating Member States of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System was done at Da Nang on 30 August 2010;

WHEREAS Article 8, paragraph 7, of the Memorandum of Understanding provides that ASEAN Member States that are not Participating Member States can accede to the Memorandum of Understanding at any time subject to the agreement of the Participating Member States at the level of their representatives to the Senior Economic Officials Meeting;

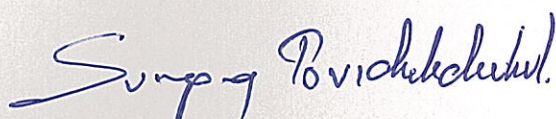
WHEREAS pursuant to the said Article, the Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force for the acceding ASEAN Member States upon the deposit of their instruments of ratification or letters of acceptance with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, who shall promptly inform each Participating Member State of such deposit; and

WHEREAS Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia and the Republic of Singapore, who are the Participating Member States to the Memorandum of Understanding, have agreed to welcome Thailand's accession to the Memorandum of Understanding by letters from Malaysia's Leader of SEOM, Ministry of International Trade and Industry (BPA(S)0.3:2:7 Jld.68 (dated 20 May 2011)), Brunei Darussalam's Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DIT: ASN/53 (dated 25 May 2011)), and the Republic of Singapore's SEOM Leader, Ministry of Trade and Industry (dated 22 June 2011);

THE GOVERNMENT OF KINGDOM OF THAILAND, having considered the aforesaid Memorandum of Understanding, hereby accedes to the same and undertakes to faithfully perform and carry out all the stipulations contained therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Instrument of Accession is signed and sealed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand.

DONE at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangkok, this 25th day of October in the Year Two thousand Five hundred and Fifty-four of the Buddhist Era, corresponding to the Year Two thousand and Eleven of the Christian Era.



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The Permanent Mission of Thailand to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honour to refer to its Note No. 20101/673, dated 30 December 2015 notifying Thailand's agreement to extend the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Governments of the Participating Member States of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System done at Da Nang, Viet Nam, on 30 August 2010, up to 31 December 2016, in accordance with Article 8, Paragraph 5 of the MOU.

The Permanent Mission of Thailand to ASEAN has further the honour to notify the Secretary-General of ASEAN as the depositary of the MOU that, pursuant to Article 8, Paragraph 5, Thailand agrees to extend the MOU starting from 1 January 2017 until the full implementation of the ASEAN-wide Self-Certification Scheme, and to request the Secretary-General of ASEAN to inform all other Participating Member States of Thailand's agreement to the said extension.

In this regard, it is the understanding of the Government of Thailand that the said extension takes effect when all Participating Member States have notified the Secretary-General of ASEAN of their agreement to the extension.

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

The Permanent Mission of Thailand to ASEAN,
Jakarta,

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