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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to refer to the Protocol to the ASEAN Charter on Dispute Settlement Mechanisms, signed on 08 April 2010 in Ha Noi, Viet Nam.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN has further the honor to deposit with the Secretary – General of ASEAN, the Instrument of Ratification of the said Protocol, and certify that the Protocol referred in the aforementioned Instrument is the Protocol to the ASEAN Charter on Dispute Settlement Mechanisms, signed on 08 April 2010 in Hanoi, Viet Nam.

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

Jakarta, 10 April 2017

The ASEAN Secretariat



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**THE ASEAN SECRETARIAT  
LEGAL SERVICES AND AGREEMENTS  
DIRECTORATE**

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**INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION**

**TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:**

**KNOW YE**, that whereas, the *Protocol to the ASEAN Charter on Dispute Settlement Mechanisms* was signed on 10 April 2010 in Hanoi, Vietnam;

**WHEREAS**, the Protocol shall apply to disputes which concern the interpretation or application of the ASEAN Charter, other ASEAN instruments, unless specific means of settling such disputes have already been provided for, and other ASEAN instruments which expressly provide that the Protocol or part of it shall apply;

**WHEREAS**, the Protocol aims to help prevent festering conflicts and confrontation among ASEAN Member States and preserve the cooperative atmosphere for concerted efforts towards building a peaceful and prosperous ASEAN Community;


**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it known that **I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the *Protocol to the ASEAN Charter on Dispute Settlement Mechanisms*, do hereby ratify and confirm the same and each and every article and clause thereof.

**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

**GIVEN** under my hand at the City of Manila, this 3rd day of February in the year of Our Lord two thousand and seventeen.

*R Duterte*  


By the President:

  
**SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA**  
Executive Secretary

