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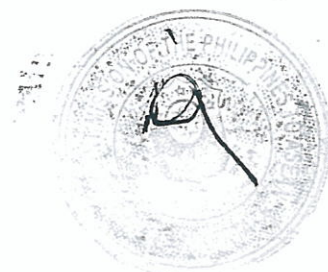
The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to refer to the Protocol on the Legal Framework to Implement the ASEAN Single Window signed on 04 September 2015 in Hanoi, Vietnam.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN has the further honor to deposit with the Secretary General of ASEAN the Philippines' Instrument of Ratification of the said Protocol.

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

Jakarta, 26 July 2017

Secretary General of ASEAN



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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 on the Legal Framework to Implement the ASEAN Single Window*, was signed on 04 September 2015 in Hanoi, Vietnam;

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Single Window (ASW), which links government agencies in different ASEAN Member States, is envisioned to benefit both the private sector and the government by providing more timely information on shipments between exporters and importers allowing border agencies to cross check import documents against export documents;

WHEREAS, the Protocol affirms that the terms of this Protocol shall be based on the objectives, principles and obligations established by the ASW Agreement and the ASW Protocol; and

WHEREAS, the Protocol further notes the relevant principles and recommendations developed by international bodies such as the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Model Law on Electronic Commerce, the United Nations Centre for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business Recommendation 35 and the United Nations Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts for purposes of transactions between the National Single Windows within the ASW environment;


NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that I, **RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the *Protocol on the Legal Framework to Implement the ASEAN Single Window*, 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 **28th** day of **June** in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Rodrigo Duterte


By the President:


SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary

