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Lao People's Democratic Republic Peace, Independence, Democracy, Unity, Prosperity

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

No. 000 /AE-TD.2 Vientiane, 24 July 2007

H.E.Mr. Ong Kieng Yong Secretary General of ASEAN Jakarta, Indonesia Excellency,

Ref: Acceptance by the Lao People's Democratic Republic for the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Nursing Services.

On behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, I have the honour to present compliments to the Secretary-General of ASEAN (ASEAN Secretariat) and have the further honour to forward herewith the Original Copy of the Instrument of Acceptance of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, dated 24 July 2007, for the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Nursing Services, which was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic at Cebu, the Philippines, on 9 December 2006;

This original document is submitted so as to be deposited with the Secretary General of ASEAN, in accordance with the relevant stipulation of the Arrangement. It is also requested that all other Parties to this Arrangement should be notified of this Acceptance by the Lao PDR, in due course.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration. **

Sayakanc SISOUVONG Director-General ASEAN-LAOS

 CC: - Director-General, ASEAN Department, of all other ASEAN Member Countries;
- Director-General, Department of Treaties and Law, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the PR of China. ۰.

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Minual Recognition Arrangement on Nursing Services.

WHEREAS the ASEAN Mutual Recognition Arrangement on Nursing Services was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic at Cebu, the Philippines, on 9 December 2006;

AND WHEREAS Article X, paragraph 1, stipulates that this Arrangement shall enter into force for all Member Countries on the date of signature, and paragraph 2 provides that the Arrangement shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, who shall promptly furnish a certified copy thereof to each ASEAN Member State;

NOW THEREFORE I, Thongloun SISOULITH, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, declare that the Government, of the Lao Pcople's Democratic Republic, having considered the above-mentioned Arrangement, accepts the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed, and affixed my seal to, this Instrument of Acceptance at Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic, on 24 July 2007

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Thongloun SISOULITH Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs