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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 deposit with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, the Philippines' Instrument of Ratification of the Protocol to Implement the Twelfth Package of Commitments on Air Transport Services under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services. The aforesaid Instrument of Ratification was signed by H.E. Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr., President of the Republic of the Philippines, on 21 June 2024.

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, 18 November 2024



The Secretariat
Association of Southeast Asian Nations





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INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas, the *Protocol to Implement the Twelfth Package of Commitments on Air Transport Services under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services (AFAS)* was signed on 17 October 2022 in Bali, Indonesia;

WHEREAS, the Protocol provides for the guidelines to implement the Twelfth Package of Commitments on Air Transport Services, the final package in the commitments of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Member States (AMS) to further liberalize air transport under the AFAS;

WHEREAS, the Protocol provides that the AMS shall accord preferential treatment in air transport services to one another on a Most-Favoured-Nation basis, subject to their respective commitments and exemptions;

WHEREAS, it is understood that the Philippine market access restrictions contained in the Protocol that are inconsistent with Republic Act No. 11659 or "An Act Amending Commonwealth Act No. 146, otherwise known as the Public Service Act, as amended," will be revised without undue delay to align with the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Philippines will benefit from the implementation of the Protocol through increased competition, employment opportunities in the aviation industry, better quality of services, technology transfer, and reduced cost of airline operation;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that I, **FERDINAND R. MARCOS, JR.**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the *Protocol to Implement the Twelfth Package of Commitments on Air Transport Services under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on Services*, do hereby ratify and confirm the same and each and every paragraph 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 21st day of June in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Four.

By the President:


LUCAS P. BERSAMIN
Executive Secretary



THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES