



Lao People's Democratic Republic
Peace Independence Democracy Unity Prosperity

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

No. 80 /MoFA

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Excellency,

I have the honor to forward herewith the original copy of the Instrument of Acceptance of the Protocol 9: Dangerous Goods under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Goods in Transit, dated 19 May 2003, duly signed by H.E. Somsavat LENGSAVAD, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs for depositing with you as per the rules being practiced by ASEAN. It would be highly appreciated if a certified true copy of the same could be circulated to each ASEAN member country for reference.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Somkhith Inthamith'.

Somkhith Inthamith
Director General



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INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

WHEREAS the Protocol 9 Dangerous Goods under the ASEAN Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Goods in Transit has been signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, at Jakarta, Indonesia on the 28th day of September 2002;

AND WHEREAS the Article 7 paragraph 4 of the said Protocol provides that it shall enter into force upon the deposit of Instruments of Ratification or Acceptance by all Contracting Parties with the Secretary-General of ASEAN;

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Instrument of Acceptance. *dl*

Done at Vientiane, 19 May 2003

Somsavat Lengsavad
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