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Secretary to Cabinet

RE: AGREEMENT FOR THE FACILITATION OF SEARCH FOR AIRCRAFT IN DISTRESS AND RESCUE OF SURVIVORS OF AIRCRAFT ACCIDENTS

I forward herewith for your custody the original signed copies of Instruments of Ractification by the Government of Indonesia and the Government of Philippines to the abovementioned Agreement.

2 Please acknowledge receipt.

YAP POW CHOY

for PS (FOREIGN AFFAIRS)

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MALACAÑANG MANILA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas, on 14 April 1972, the Governments of the Republic of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore and the Kingdom of Thailand, being members of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), signed in Singapore the Agreement for the Facilitation of Search for Aircraft in Distress and Rescue of Survivors of Aircraft Accidents;

WHEREAS, the Agreement would serve to accelerate and intensify the implementation of the aims and purposes of ASEAN as embodied in the ASEAN Declaration;

WHEREAS, Article 8(1) of the Agreement provides that it shall be subject to ratification by the signatory Governments;

AND WHEREAS, ratification of the Agreement would be in the interest of Philippine civil aviation and a fulfillment of Philippine commitment to ASEAN;

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, having seen and considered the Agreement for the Facilitation of Search for Aircraft in Distress and Rescue of Survivors of Aircraft Accidents signed on 14 April 1972, do hereby ratify the said Agreement and every article and clause thereof, subject to the following reservation:

The expressions "territories" and "territory" in the Agreement, when used with reference to the national territory of the Philippines, shall be construed to include the land, the internal waters and the territorial seas as well as the air-space above them as defined under the national laws of the Philippines.

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

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 29th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, ninteen hundred and

seventy-two.

BY THE PRESIDENT:

JOSE D. INCLES
Acting Secretary of Foreign Affairs