

MALACAÑAN PALACE

MANILA

INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas, the Agreement on the Establishment of the ASEAN Tourism Information Center (ATIC) was signed at Kuala Lumpur on 26 September 1988 by the duly-authorized Representatives of the Governments of Brunei Darussalam, the Republic of Indonesia, Malaysia, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Republic of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Agreement, with ten (10) Articles, done in seven (7) originals in the English language, established the ASEAN Tourism Information, otherwise known as the Centre, at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia operative for a period of three (3) years from the dated of its establishment;

WHEREAS, the Centre, whose officials and personnel are nationals of the ASEAN Member-Countries, is to serve as an information center on ASEAN tourism and to undertake promotional activities to vitalize greater travel from among ASEAN Member-Countries as well as to promote greater tourist traffic from countries outside the ASEAN region through cooperation among said Member-Countries;

WHEREAS, in addition to its main purpose, the Centre shall undertake a host of other tourism-oriented activities as may be determined by the Sub-Committee on Tourism of the Committee on Trade and Tourism, otherwise known as ASEAN SCOT;

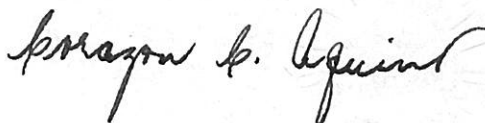
WHEREAS, Article VIII of the Agreement provides that the Agreement is subject to ratification by the parties and their respective Instruments deposited with the ASEAN Secretariat in Jakarta, Republic of Indonesia and, pursuant to Article IX thereof, the Agreement shall enter into force on the date the sixth Instrument of Ratification is deposited;

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Philippines, by its Resolution adopted for the purpose, did concur in the ratification of the said Agreement on the Establishment of the ASEAN Tourism Information Center;

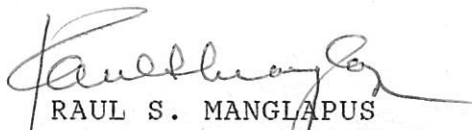
NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the aforementioned Agreement on the Establishment of the ASEAN Tourism Information Center do hereby, in pursuance of the aforesaid concurrence of the Senate, ratify and confirm the same 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 22nd day of January in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety of the Independence of the Philippines, the ninety-first.



BY THE PRESIDENT:



RAUL S. MANGLAPUS
Secretary of Foreign Affairs