



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND COOPERATION

INSTRUMENT OF ACCESSION

**TO THE UNDERSTANDING ON THE CRITERIA FOR CLASSIFICATION IN THE
ASEAN HARMONISED TARIFF NOMENCLATURE**

WHEREAS the Understanding on the Criteria for Classification in the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature, signed on 20 December 2003, in Langkawi, Malaysia,

WHEREAS the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, on 14 March 2025, expressed its readiness to accede to the Understanding on the Criteria for Classification in the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature,

NOW THEREFORE I, Bendito dos Santos Freitas, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, declare that the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, having considered the above-mentioned Understanding on the Criteria for Classification in the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature, accedes to the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Instrument of Accession at Dili, Timor-Leste on 13 November 2025.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "BDF", is written over a horizontal line.

Bendito dos Santos Freitas
Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation
Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste

