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The Embassy of Japan in Indonesia presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia and has the honour to refer to paragraph 1 of Article 79 of the Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Partnership among Japan and Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement") which provides that "The Government of each signatory State shall notify the Governments of other signatory States in writing that its legal procedures necessary for entry into force of this Agreement have been completed. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date by which such notifications have been made by the Governments of Japan and at least one (1) ASEAN Member State, in relation to those signatory States that have made such notifications by that date."

The Embassy of Japan in Indonesia has further the honour to notify the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia that, pursuant to paragraph 1 of Article 79 of the Agreement, the Government of Japan has completed its legal procedures necessary for entry into force of the Agreement.

The Embassy of Japan understands that the Agreement will enter into force on 1 December 2008 in accordance with its Article 79 among Japan, the Republic of Singapore and other Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, whose Governments would have made such notification by 31 October 2008.

The Embassy of Japan in Indonesia avails itself of this opportunity to extend to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia the assurances of its highest consideration.

Jakarta, October 22, 2008

