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LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC  
Peace, Independence, Democracy, Unity, Prosperity

**INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION**

**WHEREAS** the Treaty on the Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon Free Zone was concluded at Bangkok on the fifteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five,

**AND WHEREAS** the said Treaty has been signed by the Prime Minister of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on the fifteenth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-five,

**NOW THEREFORE I, Nouthak PHOUMSAVANH**, President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, declare that the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, having considered the above mentioned treaty, ratifies the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have signed this instrument of ratification.

Vientiane, 24 June 1996

**COUNTERSIGNED**

**Nouthak PHOUMSAVANH**

**Somsavat LENGSAVAD**  
Minister of Foreign Affairs