

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

## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

No.<u>1655</u>/MoFA.ASEAN/5/2012 Vientiane, 20 September 2012

H.E. Dr. Surin Pitsuwan Secretary-General of ASEAN Jakarta, Indonesia

Excellency,

Ref: Instrument of Acceptance by the Lao People's Democratic Republic for the Second Protocol to Amend the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the Governments of the Member States of Association of Southeast Asia Nations and the Republic of Korea.

On behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, I have the honour to present compliments to the Secretary-General of ASEAN (ASEAN Secretariat) and have the further honour to forward herewith the Original Copy of the Instrument of Acceptance by the Lao People's Democratic Republic for the Second Protocol to Amend the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the Governments of the Member States of Association of Southeast Asia Nations and the Republic of Korea, which was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, at Bali, Indonesia, on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

This Original Instrument is submitted so as to be deposited with the Secretary-General of ASEAN in accordance with the relevant stipulations of the Agreement. It is also requested that all other Parties to this Agreement should be notified of this Ratification by the Lao People's Democratic Republic, in due course.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs

## INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

to the Second Protocol to Amend the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea

WHEREAS the Second Protocol to Amend the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, at Bali, Indonesia, on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011;

AND WHEREAS Article 3, Paragraph 2, of the Protocol stipulates that each Party, upon the completion of its internal procedures for the entry into force of this Protocol, shall notify all the other Parties in writing.

NOW THEREFORE I, Thongloun SISOULITH, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs, declare that the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, having considered the said Protocol, accepts the same and undertakes to faithfully perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed, and sealed this Instrument of Acceptance at Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic, on 14 September 2012.

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