



**ASEAN-PHILIPPINES NATIONAL SECRETARIAT**

Ref. No. : Div5 - 133 - Korea - 09  
 Date : 4 February 2009  
 Subject : Instrument of Ratification of the ASEAN-Korea Agreement on Trade in Services Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation

Dear Mr. Sunoto:

We have the honor to transmit the certified true copy of the instrument of ratification of the ASEAN-Korea Agreement on Trade in Services under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation which has been signed by the Philippine President on 14 January 2009.

Pursuant to Article 31 of the Agreement, ASEAN-Philippines would highly appreciate being informed of the exact date of entry into force of the agreement.

Very truly yours,

  
**MARIA TERESA L. TAGUING**  
 Deputy Director-General

**MR. DHANNAN SUNOTO**  
 Principal Director  
 Bureau for External Relations and Coordination  
 ASEAN Secretariat

Cc: All ASEAN Directors-General

Enclosure: as stated.

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INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas, the *Agreement on Trade in Services Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea*, and the *Letter of Understanding Among the Parties to the Agreement on Trade in Services Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea* were both signed on 21 November 2007 in Singapore;

WHEREAS, the *Agreement on Trade in Services*, consisting of thirty-two (32) articles, aims to enhance economic cooperation and deepen economic integration among the Parties by progressively liberalizing trade in services in the four modes of supply, namely: cross-border supply, consumption abroad, commercial presence and movement of natural persons.;

WHEREAS, the *Letter of Understanding* shall form an integral part of the Agreement and shall take effect on the same date as the Agreement on Trade in Services;

WHEREAS, Article 31 of the *Agreement on Trade in Services* provides that it shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the latter date on which at least one ASEAN Member Country and Korea have notified all the other Parties in writing of the completion of their internal procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL- ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the aforementioned *Agreement on Trade in Services Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea*, and the *Letter of Understanding Among the Parties to the Agreement on Trade in Services Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea*, do hereby ratify and confirm the same and each 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 14<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and nine.

BY THE PRESIDENT:

  
ALBERTO G. ROMULO  
Secretary of Foreign Affairs

