MALACAÑANG MANILA

INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas Protocol 2 on Unlimited Fifth Freedom Traffic Rights within the ASEAN Sub-Region was signed on 20 May 2009 in Manila, implementing the ASEAN Multilateral Agreement on Air Services (Agreement) and forming an integral part of it;

WHEREAS, the Protocol provides that the designated airline(s) of each Contracting Party shall be allowed to operate air passenger services from any designated points in its territory to any designated points in the ASEAN Sub-Region to which that Contracting Party belongs and vice versa with full Sub-region fifth (5th) freedom traffic rights;

WHEREAS, the Protocol also provides that the right to take on board or put down, in the territory of any other Contracting Party, passengers, baggage, cargo or mail carried for remuneration and destined for or coming from any other points, shall be subject to agreement between the aeronautical authorities of the Contracting Parties concerned;

WHEREAS, under the Protocol, there shall be no limitation on capacity, frequency and aircraft type with regard to air passenger services operated under the Protocol as provided in its Article 2;

WHEREAS, Article 5 of the Protocol provides that it is subject to ratification or acceptance by the Contracting Parties which have ratified or accepted the Agreement, and shall become effective only among the Contracting Parties that have ratified or accepted it.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that **I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the aforementioned Protocol, 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 <u>19th</u> day of <u>April</u> in the year of our Lord two thousand and ten.

BY THE PRESIDENT:

ERLINDA F. BASILIOActing Secretary of Foreign Affairs

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