## MALACARANG MANUA

## INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

## TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas, the ASEAN Framework Agreement (FA) for the Integration of Priority Sectors and Sectoral Integration Protocols (SIPS), was signed on 29 November 2004 in Vientiane, Lao PDR;

WHEREAS, the FA and the SIPs legally bind Member Countries to carry out obligations for the accelerated integration of 11 (eleven) priority sectors. The 11 priority sectors are agro-based products, air travel, automotives, e-ASEAN, electronics, fisheries healthcare, rubber-based products, textiles and apparels, tourism and wood-based products.

NOW THEREFORE, be it known that I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO. President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the aforementioned ASEAN Framework Agreement (FA) for the Integration of Priority Sectors and Sectoral Integration Protocols (SIPS), 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 6th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and five.

BY THE PRESIDENT

RAMEL E. SEQUIS
Acting Secretary of Foreign Affairs

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