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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to refer to the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, signed on 21 November 2015 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN has further the honor to deposit with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, the Philippines' Instrument of Ratification of the said Convention.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Jakarta, 06 February 2017

Secretary General of ASEAN

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THE ASEAN SECRETARIAT
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INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas, the *ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children* was signed on 21 November 2015 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; and

WHEREAS, the Convention recognizes the importance of having in place a regional instrument against trafficking in persons that is legally binding and that would assist ASEAN Member States, as countries of origin, transit or destination, to deal with diverse national challenges, priorities and strategies in the fight against trafficking in persons;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that **I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the *ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children*, 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 24th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen.




By the President:


SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary 

