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The Permanent Mission of the Philippines to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to deposit the attached original copy of the Instrument of Ratification of the 2009 ASEAN Petroleum Security Agreement (APSA).

The Philippine Mission would appreciate it if the ASEAN Secretariat could update it on the status of the ratification of the Agreement from the remaining three Member States.

The Philippine Mission would also appreciate it if the ASEAN Secretariat could formally acknowledge receipt of the copy of the Instrument of Ratification and advise the Permanent Mission of the exact date of the entry into force of the Agreement.

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



Jakarta, 5 August 2011

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INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, whereas, the 2009 ASEAN Petroleum Security Agreement (APSA), was signed on 01 March 2009 in Cha-Am, Thailand;

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for focused co-operation to ensure energy security and self-sufficiency in the ASEAN region. It identifies short, medium and long-term measures to enhance petroleum security and assist members in times of critical shortages of petroleum supply brought about by natural calamity, explosion of facilities or war;

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for the establishment of a policy-governing body, a management committee, a coordinating agency and a secretariat to carry out Coordinated Emergency Response Measures (CERM) in accordance with the schedule annexed to the Agreement;

WHEREAS, under the Agreement, the Philippines, as a Member State, can have resort to a formal mechanism in responding to petroleum supply emergencies;

WHEREAS, the Agreement shall enter into force on the thirtieth (30th) day after the deposit of the tenth (10th) instrument of ratification or acceptance and shall remain in force for a period of ten (10) years, unless terminated earlier by agreement of all the ASEAN Member States;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that **I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**, President of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the 2009 ASEAN Petroleum Security Agreement, 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 12th day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand and eleven.



BY THE PRESIDENT:



ALBERT F. DEL ROSARIO
Secretary of Foreign Affairs



Office of the President of the Philippines



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