

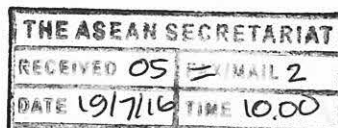


No. 70-2016

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to deposit with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, the Philippines' Instrument of Ratification of the Third Protocol to Amend the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea, signed on 22 November 2015 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

In accordance with Article 10 (2) of the said Protocol, the Permanent Mission of the Philippines has further the honor to notify all contracting Parties that the Philippines has completed its internal requirements necessary for the entry into force of the aforementioned Protocol.

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, 14 July 2016

Secretary General of ASEAN

CC: Permanent Missions of ASEAN Member States to ASEAN

Mission of the Republic of Korea to ASEAN

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INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

KNOW YE, that whereas, the *Third Protocol to Amend the Agreement on Trade in Goods Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea* was signed on 22 November 2015 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

WHEREAS, the Protocol recalls the Agreement on Trade in Goods Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea; and

WHEREAS, the Protocol desires to clarify the scope and conditions under which certain parties may apply reciprocal arrangement in regard to tariff rate treatment as well as provide a line-by-line tariff reduction and/or elimination schedule according to each Party's commitment under the Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it known that **I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the *Third Protocol to Amend the Agreement on Trade in Goods Under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member Countries 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 29th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and sixteen.



BY THE PRESIDENT:



PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

