

Note No. PR/ASEAN/032/2020

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations ("ASEAN") presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honour to refer to the *Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement* ("RCEP Agreement") signed on 15 November 2020.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN has the further honour to deposit the Republic of Singapore's Instrument of Ratification with the Secretary-General of ASEAN in accordance with Article 20.6 of the RCEP Agreement, and would be grateful if the Secretary-General of ASEAN promptly inform each signatory State, and provide them with the date and a copy, of the deposit of the Instrument of Ratification, in accordance with Article 20.5 of the RCEP Agreement.

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

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INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

WHEREAS the *Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement* ("RCEP Agreement") was signed on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Singapore on 15 November 2020;

AND WHEREAS Article 20.6(1) of the RCEP Agreement provides that the RCEP Agreement shall be subject to ratification, acceptance, or approval by each signatory State in accordance with its applicable legal procedures; and the instrument of ratification, acceptance, or approval of a signatory State shall be deposited with the Depositary;

AND WHEREAS Article 20.6(2) of the RCEP Agreement provides that the RCEP Agreement shall enter into force for those signatory States that have deposited their instrument of ratification, acceptance, or approval, 60 days after the date on which at least six signatory States which are Member States of ASEAN and three signatory States other than Member States of ASEAN have deposited their instrument of ratification, acceptance, or approval with the Depositary;

NOW THEREFORE I, Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Singapore, declare that the Government of the Republic of Singapore, having considered the RCEP Agreement, ratifies the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed this Instrument of Ratification in Singapore on this 9th day of April, in the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

DR. VIVIAN BALAKRISHNAN
MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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