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The Trade and Industry Department of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China (the "Trade and Industry Department") presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat, and has the honour to refer to the *First Protocol to Amend the ASEAN – Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement* done at Vientiane, the Lao People's Democratic Republic on 19 September 2024 (the "First Protocol").

In accordance with Article 4.2 (Entry into Force) of the First Protocol, the First Protocol shall enter into force 60 days after the date by which all Parties have notified the Secretary-General of ASEAN of the completion of their necessary internal procedures in writing. In this regard, the Trade and Industry Department, on behalf of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China ("Hong Kong, China"), has the further honour to notify the ASEAN Secretariat that Hong Kong, China has completed its necessary internal procedures for the entry into force of the First Protocol.

The Trade and Industry Department avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretariat the assurance of its highest consideration.

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