



MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

## INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

### TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

**KNOW YE**, that whereas, the *Addendum to the Treaty on Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon-Free Zone* (Addendum) was signed on 25 May 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

**WHEREAS**, the Addendum intends to facilitate the accession of Timor-Leste to the *Treaty on the Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon-Free Zone* (SEANWFZ Treaty), which is essential for its full membership in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN);

**WHEREAS**, the Addendum would reaffirm the commitment of the ASEAN in preserving the region as a nuclear weapon-free zone, free of all other weapons of mass destruction, and in maintaining regional peace, stability and security, consistent with the principles stipulated in the ASEAN Charter; and

**WHEREAS**, the Addendum modifies the geographical scope of the Treaty, without altering the rights and obligations of the Philippines or of the other Member States that are Parties to the SEANWFZ Treaty.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it known that **I, FERDINAND R. MARCOS, JR.**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, after having seen and considered the *Addendum to the Treaty on the Southeast Asia Nuclear Weapon-Free Zone*, do hereby ratify and confirm the same and each and every paragraph 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 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.

By the President:

**LUCAS P. BERSAMIN**  
Executive Secretary

