

## INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

WHEREAS, on the Fourth day of October, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Nine, the Agreement on ASEAN Food Security Reserve was signed in New York City by the five ASEAN Foreign Ministers;

WHEREAS under the Declaration of ASEAN Concord signed in Bali, Indonesia, on 24th February, 1976, it was provided that ASEAN Member Countries shall take cooperative action in their national and regional development programme;

WHEREAS, the Agreement on the ASEAN Food Security Reserve was concluded in view of the high vulnerability of the region to wide fluctuations in the production of basic foodstuffs;

WHEREAS, the assurance of food security in the ASEAN region is deemed the common responsibility of the ASEAN Member Countries; and

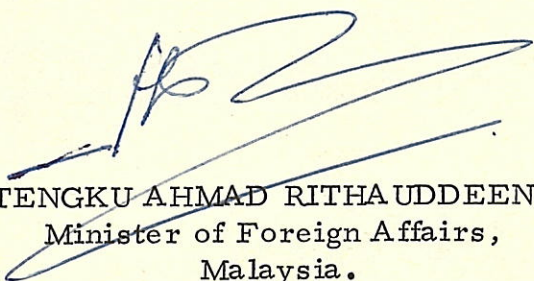
WHEREAS, the Agreement is intended to strengthen the economic resilience and solidarity of the ASEAN Countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Government of Malaysia, having considered the aforesaid Agreement which was signed on 4th October, 1979 in New York City, do hereby CONFIRMS AND RATIFIES the same and every article and clause thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF this Instrument of Ratification is signed and sealed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Malaysia.

Done at Kuala Lumpur this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May,  
One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.



  
( TENGKU AHMAD RITHAUDDEEN )  
Minister of Foreign Affairs,  
Malaysia.