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Jakarta, 25 July 1996

His Excellency
Mr. Nguyen Manh Cam
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Socialist Republic of Vietnam
Hanoi

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note dated 25 July 1996 informing me that the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam formally accedes to the Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of South East Asian Nations on Economic Cooperation, done at Singapore on 28 July 1993.

It gives me great pleasure to inform Your Excellency that the proposals outlined in your Note are acceptable to the Government of Canada, and to confirm that your Note and this reply, which is authentic in English and French, shall serve to record the accession of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the Canada-ASEAN Economic Cooperation Agreement. It is further understood that copies of the present Exchange of Notes will be circulated to the Governments of the other Member Countries of ASEAN.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Lloyd Axworthy



## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

Jakarta, July 25th, 1996

His Excellency
Mr. LLOYD AXWORTHY
Minister of Foreign Affairs of Canada

## Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement between the Governments of the member countries of ASEAN and the Government of Canada on Economic Cooperation signed in Singapore on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1993.

The Declaration of the Admission of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam into the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) was signed in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1995. With that Declaration the Socialist Republic of Vietnam becomes the Seventh member state of ASEAN and thereby solemnly agrees to subscribe or accede, as the case may be, to all the Declarations and Treaties of ASEAN.

The member countries of ASEAN and Canada have agreed to extend the said Agreement to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. On behalf of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, I have the honour and great pleasure to express her desire and interest to accede and become a party to the said Agreement between the Governments of the member countries of ASEAN and the Government of Canada on Economic Cooperation which was signed in Singapore on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1993.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

NGUYEN MANH CAM

Minister of Foreign Affairs
The Socialist Republic of Vietnam