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Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN

Note No. PR/ASEAN/P/019/2011

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of ASEAN and has the honour to refer to the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Governments of the Participating Member States of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System done at Da Nang, Viet Nam on 30 August 2010 (hereinafter referred to as "the MOU").

The Permanent Mission has further the honour to note that the MOU came into force on 1 November 2010 and that Articles 8(4) and (5) of the MOU provide:

- "4. This MOU shall remain in force for a period of 1 year, unless terminated earlier by agreement of all Participating Member States. The expiry or termination of this MOU shall not prejudice the rights and obligations of all Participating Member States established under this MOU before or up to the effective date of such expiry or termination except by agreement of all Participating Member States.
- 5. This MOU may be extended beyond its period of validity, as stipulated in paragraph 4 of this Article, with the agreement of all Participating Member States."

Pursuant to the said Article 8(5) of the MOU, the Government of Singapore hereby notifies the Secretary-General of ASEAN as depository of the MOU and, by copy of this Note, the other Participating Member States that Singapore agrees to extend the MOU beyond its initial period of validity for another one year, up to 31 October 2012.

It is the understanding of the Government of Singapore that the said extension for another one year will take effect when all Participating Member States similarly notify the Secretary-General of ASEAN of their agreement to the extension.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Singapore to ASEAN avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary-General of ASEAN the assurance of its highest consideration.

24 October 2011

ASEAN Secretariat
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