

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS  
AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
ON  
THE ASEAN-US AUTOMATED DATA EXCHANGE

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations  
(hereinafter referred to as "ASEAN") of the one part and the  
Government of the United States of America (hereinafter  
referred to as "the United States") of the other part,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 In consideration of the mutual desire of the  
Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and  
the United States of America to implement fully an  
automated data exchange of foreign trade and tariff  
data, the United States, acting through the Agency  
for International Development, will provide a  
technical assistance program to those ASEAN members  
who require it. The furnishing of such assistance  
will be subject to mutually agreed upon side letters  
of detailed arrangements to be signed by  
participating countries and the United States.
- 2 This assistance program will seek to enable  
participating members to develop systems and  
procedures which support full participation in the  
automated data exchange. This foreign trade and  
tariff data exchange underscores the continuing  
cooperation between ASEAN and the United States, and  
the mutual benefits derived from such projects.

3 For purposes of implementing this Memorandum of Understanding, the Government of the United States of America will be represented by the Agency for International Development. This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective upon ASEAN's concurrence, and shall remain in force unless terminated by either party.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto, by their respective Governments have signed the present Memorandum of Understanding.

DONE at Bangkok, Thailand, in duplicate, this Eighth Day of July, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Eight, in the English language, both texts being equally authentic.

For the Government of the  
Republic of Singapore  
On behalf of ASEAN

For the Government of the  
United States of America



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