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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honour to inform the latter as follows:

On 4 April 2005, the Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam approved the Agreement on Dispute Settlement Mechanism of the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Co-operation between the Association of the Southeast Asian Nations and the People's Republic of China, signed at Vientiane on 29 November 2004.

This Note constitutes the official notification by the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam of the completion of its domestic legal procedures required for the entry into force of the above-mentioned Agreement.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretarial the assurances of its highest consideration.

Hanoi, J. April 2005,

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