

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Peace, Independence, Democracy, Unity, Prosperity

Deputy Prime Minister, **Minister** for Foreign Affairs

INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

to the Agreement on Dispute Settlement Mechanism under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of South East Asian Nations and the Government of the Republic of Korea

WHEREAS the Agreement on Dispute Settlement Mechanism under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the Governments of the Association of South East Asian Nations and the Government of the Republic of Korea was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic at Kuala Lumpur, 13th day of December 2005;

AND WHEREAS its Article 21 stipulates that this Agreement shall enter into force on the date of enter into force of the Framework Agreement, provided that at least one ASEAN Member Country and Korea are among the Signatory Country that have by then notified all the other Parties in writing of the completion of its internal procedures;

NOW THEREFORE I, Thongloun SISOUL1TH, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, declare that the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, having considered the above-mentioned Agreement, accepts the same and undertakes to faithfully perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed, and affixed my seal to, this **Instrument** of Acceptance at Vientiane, Lao **People's** Democratic Republic, on 31 May 2007.

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Thongloun SISOULITH Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs



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Embassy of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Jakarta

No: /ALJ-2007

The Embassy of the Lao People's Democratic Republic presents its compliments to ASEAN Secretariat in Jakarta, and has the honor to forward herewith a copy of letter No. 004 /AE-TD.2, dated 4th June 2007 from H.E Mr. Sayakane SISOUVONG Director-General ASEAN-LAOS to H.E Mr. Ong Keng Yong, Secretary-General of ASEAN enclosed an Original Copy of the *Instrument of Acceptance of the Government of the Lao PDR to the Agreement on Dispute Settlement Mechanism under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the Governments of the ASEAN and the Government of Republic of Korea to deposit in ASEAN Secretariat.*

The Embassy of the Lao **People's** Democratic Republic avails itself of this opportunity to renew to ASEAN Secretariat in Jakarta, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Jakarta, 25th July 2007

H.E Mr. Ong Keng Yong Secretary-General of ASEAN ASEAN Secretariat Jakarta THE ASEAN SECRETARIAT
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Ministry of Foreign Affairs

No. 004 /AE-TD.2 Vientiane, 4 June 2007

H.E.Mr. Ong Keng Yong Secretary-General of ASEAN Jakarta, Indonesia

Excellency,

Ref: Acceptance by the Lao People's Democratic Republic for the Agreement on Dispute Settlement Mechanism under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the Governments of the Association of South East Asian Nations and the Government of the Republic of Korea.

On behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, I have the honour to present compliments to the Secretary-General of ASEAN (ASEAN Secretariat) and have the further honour to forward herewith the Original Copy of the Instrument of Acceptance of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, dated 31st May 2007, for the Agreement on Dispute Settlement Mechanism under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the Governments of the Association of South East Asian Nations and the Government of the Republic of Korea, which was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, at Kuala Lumpur, on 13th day of December 2005;

This original document is submitted so as to be deposited with the Secretary General of ASEAN, in accordance with the relevant stipulation of the Agreement. It is also requested that all other Parties to this Agreement should be notified of this Acceptance by the Lao PDR, in due course.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sayakane SISOUVONG Director-General ASEAN-LAOS