



**LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC**  
Peace, Independence, Democracy, Unity, Prosperity

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

**INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION**

**to the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement**

**WHEREAS** the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement was concluded in Cha-am, Thailand, on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2009;

**AND WHEREAS** the said Agreement was signed by the duly authorised representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on the date of conclusion mentioned above;

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

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have signed and sealed this Instrument of Ratification at Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic, on 27 November 2009.

Thongloun SISOULITH



**Lao People's Democratic Republic**  
**Peace Independence Democracy Unity Prosperity**

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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 Vientiane, 10 December 2009

H.E. Dr. Surin Pitsuan  
 Secretary-General of ASEAN  
 Jakarta, Indonesia

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Excellency,

Ref: Ratification by the Lao People's Democratic Republic for the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement.

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On Behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, I have the honour to present my compliments to the Secretary-General of ASEAN (ASEAN Secretariat) and have the further honor to forward herewith the Original Copy of the Instrument of Ratification of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, dated on 27 November 2009, for the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement, which was signed by the duly authorized representative of the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, at Cha-am, Thailand, on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

This original instrument is submitted so as to be deposited with the Secretary-General of the ASEAN in accordance with the relevant stipulations of the Agreement. It is also requested that all other Parties to this Agreement should be notified of this Ratification by the Lao People's Democratic Republic in due course.

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

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 Director-General  
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