

11 March 2010

Excellency,

This refers to your letter dated 02 March 2010, requesting *ad referendum approval* of the accreditation of Croatia's Ambassador to ASEAN.

The Philippines welcomes the decision of the Republic of Croatia to appoint its Ambassador to ASEAN, a clear sign of the continued confidence of ASEAN's partners in ASEAN. Likewise, ASEAN should continue to actively engage its partners in the Community-building process.

The Republic of Croatia's Ambassador to ASEAN may present his credentials to the ASEAN Secretary-General on the understanding that **his accreditation will be subject to the formal approval** by the ASEAN Foreign Ministers Meeting.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.


ALBERTO G. ROMULO

His Excellency
DR. SURIN PITSUWAN
Secretary-General
ASEAN Secretariat



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The Permanent Mission of the Philippines to ASEAN presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to transmit the original letter of His Excellency Dr. Alberto G. Romulo, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Republic of the Philippines, to His Excellency Dr. Surin Pitsuwan, Secretary General of ASEAN, dated 11 March 2010 on the accreditation of Croatia's Ambassador to ASEAN.

The Permanent Mission of the Philippines to ASEAN avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Jakarta, 26 March 2010



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