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Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to ASEAN <u>Jakarta</u>

The Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) presents its compliments to the ASEAN Secretariat and has the honor to transmit herewith the Original Copy of the Instrument of Ratification to the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children signed by our Foreign Minister dated 28 April 2017, Vientiane, Lao PDR.

In this connection, the Permanent Mission would highly appreciate it if the ASEAN Secretariat could proceed further on this submission.

The Permanent Mission of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to ASEAN avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the ASEAN Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

Jakarta, 15 May 2017



Cc: - All Permanent Missions of AMS to ASEAN

ASEAN Department, MOFA, Lao PDR.

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LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

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INSTRUMENT OF RATIFICATION

The ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children

WHEREAS the ASEAN Convention Against Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, was signed on 21 November 2015 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

AND WHEREAS Article 28 (1) thereof provides that this Convention shall be subject to ratification or approval in accordance with the internal procedures of the Parties;

NOW THEREFORE I, Saleumxay KOMMASITH, Minister of Foreign Affairs, declare that the Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, having considered the above-mentioned Convention, ratifies the same and undertakes faithfully to perform and carry out the stipulations therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed and affixed my seal to this Instrument of Ratification at Vientiane, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, on 28 April 2017.

Saleumxay KOMMASITH