

Protocol to Amend Article 3 of the ASEAN Framework (Amendment) Agreement for the Integration of Priority Sectors

The Governments of Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic (hereinafter referred to as "Lao PDR"), Malaysia, the Union of Myanmar, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, Member States of the Association of South East Asian Nations (hereinafter collectively referred to as "ASEAN" or "Member States" or singularly as "Member State"),

RECALLING the decision of the 37th Meeting of the ASEAN Economic Ministers held in Vientiane, Lao PDR on 28th September 2005, to study and identify measures to develop the logistics services sector for priority integration;

CONSIDERING the necessity to revise the ASEAN Framework (Amendment) Agreement for the Integration of Priority Sectors (hereinafter referred to as "Framework (Amendment) Agreement") to reflect the changes necessary to move ahead with the integration of logistics services as a new priority integration sector;

DESIRING to reflect the changes to the Framework (Amendment) Agreement pursuant to Article 25(1) of ASEAN Framework Agreement for the Integration of Priority Sectors done at Vientiane, Lao PDR on 29 November 2004,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1 Amendments to Article 3 of the Framework (Amendment) Agreement

Member States agree that notwithstanding Article 3 of the ASEAN Framework (Amendment) Agreement, the end date for liberalisation of logistics services and reference to the date in Article 3 shall be amended, mutatis mutandis, in accordance with Appendix 1 to the ASEAN Sectoral Integration Protocol for Logistics Services Sector.

ARTICLE 2 Final Provisions

1. This Protocol shall form an integral part of the Framework (Amendment) Agreement.
2. This Protocol shall enter into force 180 (one hundred and eighty) days after the date of its signature.
3. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Secretary-General of ASEAN, who shall promptly furnish a certified copy thereof to each ASEAN Member State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Protocol to amend Article 3 of the ASEAN Framework (Amendment) Agreement for the Integration of Priority Sectors.

DONE at Makati City, the Philippines, this Twenty-fourth Day of August in the year Two Thousand and Seven, in a single original copy in the English language.