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## Third Protocol Amending the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia

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Brunei Darussalam

The Kingdom of Cambodia

The Republic of Indonesia

The Lao People's Democratic Republic

Malaysia

The Union of Myanmar

The Republic of the Philippines

The Republic of Singapore

The Kingdom of Thailand

The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

The Commonwealth of Australia

The People's Republic of Bangladesh

The People's Republic of China

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea

The French Republic

The Republic of India

Japan

Mongolia

New Zealand

The Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Papua New Guinea

The Republic of Korea

The Russian Federation

The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka

The Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste

The Republic of Turkey

The United States of America

Hereinafter referred to as the High Contracting Parties:

DESIRING to ensure that there is appropriate enhancement of cooperation with all peace-loving nations both within and outside Southeast Asia, in particular, neighbouring States of the Southeast Asian region, as well as with regional organisations whose members are only sovereign States;

CONSIDERING Paragraph 5 of the preamble of the Treaty of Amity and Cooperation in Southeast Asia, done at Denpasar, Bali, on 24 February 1976 (hereinafter referred to as the Treaty of Amity) which refers to the need for cooperation with all peace-loving nations, both within and outside Southeast Asia, in the furtherance of world peace, stability and harmony;

#### HEREBY AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING:

#### Article 1

Article 18, Paragraph 3, of the Treaty of Amity shall be amended to read as follows:

"This Treaty shall be open for accession by States outside Southeast Asia and regional organisations whose members are only sovereign States subject to the consent of all the States in Southeast Asia, namely, Brunei Darussalam, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, 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."

#### Article 2

Article 14, Paragraph 2, of the Treaty of Amity shall be amended to read as follows:

"However, this article shall apply to any of the High Contracting Parties outside Southeast Asia only in cases where that High Contracting Party is directly involved in the dispute to be settled through the regional processes."

#### Article 3

This Protocol shall be subject to ratification and shall come into force on the date the last instrument of ratification of the High Contracting Parties is deposited.

DONE at Hanoi, Viet Nam, on the Twenty-Third Day of July in the Year Two Thousand and Ten, in a single copy in the English language.