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Ms. Rita Imelda B. Palabyab
President, Executive Board
ASEAN Food & Beverage Alliance (AFBA)
SINGAPORE

Dear Ms. Palabyab,

I am pleased to inform you that the application of the AFBA to be an entity associated with ASEAN has been approved. AFBA will be listed in Annex 2 of the ASEAN Charter under the category of "Civil Society Organisations (CSOs)."

As an accredited entity, AFBA shall enjoy the privileges of and be bound by the obligations for accreditation, in accordance with the *Guidelines on Accreditation of Entities Associated with ASEAN* and *Guidelines on Accreditation of Civil Society Organizations* (enclosed). The *Rules of Procedures and Criteria for Engagement for Entities Associated with ASEAN* provide guidance for closer cooperation with ASEAN.

I look forward to AFBA's active participation and meaningful contribution to our efforts to build a just, dynamic, inclusive, people-oriented and people-centred ASEAN Community.

Yours sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to be 'Kao Kim Hourn', written in a cursive style.

DR. KAO KIM HOURN

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