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1. WE, the Heads of State/Government of 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 Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), and the Russian Federation, held the Second ASEAN-Russian Federation Summit on 30 October 2010 in Ha Noi, Viet Nam.

2. WE recalled that the First ASEAN - Russian Federation Summit held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 13 December 2005 laid a foundation for the Dialogue Partnership and defined priority areas of cooperation.

3. WE noted with satisfaction that ASEAN and the Russian Federation have developed mutually beneficial cooperation on a broad range of areas and have moved to practical implementation of joint projects. This provided foundation upon which relations could be strengthened and enhanced to acquire a more dynamic and comprehensive character guided by the Joint Declaration of the Heads of State/Government of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Head of State of the Russian Federation on Progressive and Comprehensive Partnership and its Comprehensive Programme of Action (CPA) to Promote Cooperation between the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Russian Federation (2005-2015) issued in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 13 December 2005.

STRENGTHENING AND DEEPENING OF DIALOGUE PARTNERSHIP

4. WE reaffirmed our commitment to consolidate and further promote ASEAN-Russia progressive and comprehensive partnership towards enhancement of the relations to a higher plane.

5. WE decided to work closely together in the evolving regional architecture in the Asia-Pacific. We shared the view that the regional architecture should be based on principles of collectivity, multilateralism and equality, on the generally accepted norms of international law. We reaffirmed the importance of maintaining ASEAN centrality in the emerging regional architecture that is open, transparent and inclusive. ASEAN supported Russia’s deeper engagement in the evolving regional architecture. We discussed the growing efforts to promote regional cooperation in East Asia and reaffirmed the importance of ASEAN centrality in the EAS process. ASEAN welcomed the Russian Federation’s intention to participate in the East Asia Summit (EAS), taking into account the Leaders’ led, open and inclusive nature of the EAS and welcomed the attendance of Foreign Minister Mr. Sergey Lavrov at the 5th EAS, as the guest of the Chair, on 30 October 2010 in Ha Noi.

6. WE welcomed the Russian Federation’s support for the ASEAN’s efforts to enhance regional connectivity which will promote future peace and prosperity in the region. ASEAN welcomed the participation of the Russian Federation in the regional integration processes, considering it as an important factor of stability and sustainable development in the Asia-Pacific.

7. WE reaffirmed our commitment to enhance regional economic integration in the Asia-Pacific. In this regard ASEAN welcomed the efforts of the Russian Federation to prepare for the
Chairmanship in the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and to host APEC Summit in 2012. We believed that Russia’s joining the Asia-Europe Meetings (ASEM) at ASEM Summit in Brussels on 4-5 October 2010 would add substantial value to the inter-regional cooperation.

8. WE reaffirmed our strong commitment to further strengthen the existing dialogue mechanisms, inter alia, the ASEAN-Russian Federation Summit, ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference (PMC) +1 Session with the Russian Federation, ASEAN-Russian Federation Senior Officials Meeting, ASEAN-Russian Federation Joint Cooperation Committee, ASEAN-Russian Federation Joint Planning and Management Committee, and other joint bodies that exist and may be established in the future.

9. WE considered the ASEAN-Russian Federation Dialogue Partnership Financial Fund (DPFF) established in accordance with the decisions of the First ASEAN-Russian Federation Summit to be an important tool of practical interaction and fruitful cooperation. ASEAN welcomed the annual contributions of the Russian Federation to the DPFF used to finance the implementation of joint cooperation projects. The Russian Federation reaffirmed its willingness to continue to make contributions to the DPFF on an annual basis.

10. ASEAN welcomed Russian Federation’s strong commitment in support of ASEAN’s Integration and Community building process, including through the Initiative for ASEAN Integration (IAI) and looked forward to the Russian Federation’s support for the implementation of IAI Work Plan II and other sub-regional initiatives aimed at bridging the development gap among ASEAN Member States.

11. WE resolved to strengthen and further enhance our dialogue and cooperation and decided to commemorate the 15th Anniversary of the ASEAN-Russian Federation Dialogue Relations in 2011.

POLITICAL AND SECURITY COOPERATION

12. WE confirmed that ASEAN and Russia share common views on the various international and regional issues. Bearing in mind the complexity and the global nature of many challenges facing humanity, we are convinced that they can be effectively addressed only through mutual cooperation and close coordination of efforts of the entire world community.

13. WE recognized the increasingly complicated nature of global security threats, we reaffirmed continued commitment to increase cooperative efforts through closer coordination on the basis of fundamental principles and norms of international law, respect for sovereignty and territorial integrity, non-interference into internal affairs and the non use of force in violation of the UN Charter in addressing the emerging security threats and global issues.

14. WE are committed to maintaining and strengthening the central and coordinating role of the United Nations in promoting international peace and security. In this respect, we are determined to strengthen collaboration within the UN and other international frameworks.

15. WE believe that international security is indivisible and universal and are convinced that national security cannot be ensured at the expense of others. We emphasized the need to fully
respect and take into account the legitimate interests and concerns, and the domestic laws and regulations of all states.

16. WE are determined to expand cooperation and collaboration with all interested partners with a view to building long-lasting peace, stability and security in the region and create favourable conditions for global sustainable development in the interests of the international community. In this regard, the Russian Federation welcomed ASEAN Leaders’ Statement on Sustained Recovery and Development, which was adopted by the ASEAN leaders in Ha Noi, on 9 April 2010.

17. ASEAN expressed its full support to the Treaty between the Russian Federation and the United States of America on Measures for the Further Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms signed in Prague on April 8, 2010, that is an important step towards universal and complete nuclear disarmament and contribution to maintenance of international peace, security and stability. To this end, we reiterated our commitment to nuclear non-proliferation and disarmament.

18. WE welcomed the outcome of the Nuclear Security Summit held in Washington on 12-13 April 2010. ASEAN and the Russian Federation are determined to enhance practical cooperation aimed at strengthening physical nuclear security and ensuring reliable protection against potential threat of nuclear terrorism, “black markets” of nuclear materials and other proliferation challenges.

19. WE supported international efforts aimed at general and complete disarmament and strengthening global regime of non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. We welcomed the results of the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Review Conference which took place in May 2010. We encouraged the full implementation of the UN SC Resolution 1540 by all States. ASEAN and Russian Federation strongly believe that modern challenges to the international security related to nuclear issues should be addressed on the basis of the NPT. We attach great importance to efforts of the world community aimed at prevention of deployment of arms in outer space and development of transparency and confidence building measures in outer space activities. We congratulated the Philippines for its able and effective Presidency of the May 2010 NPT Review Conference which resulted in its concrete outcomes.

20. WE are convinced that the establishment of a South-East Asia Nuclear Weapon-Free Zone (SEANWFZ) can contribute towards global nuclear complete disarmament and nuclear non-proliferation which are crucial for regional peace, security and stability. We confirmed that ASEAN and Russia will work constructively with a view to ensuring early accession of the Nuclear Weapon States to the Protocol to the SEANWFZ Treaty. To that end, the Russian Federation is willing to continue together with the parties concerned, including all Nuclear Weapon States, consultations with ASEAN on early resolution of outstanding issues pertaining thereof on the basis of the groundwork already done.

21. WE supported establishing of ASEAN Defence Ministers Meetings with Dialogue Partners (ADMM-Plus) as an important factor contributing to peace and stability in the Asia Pacific.

22. WE accepted to strengthen and further intensify cooperation in combating transnational crimes, such as, illicit drug trafficking, trafficking in persons especially women and children,
smuggling of migrants, sea piracy, arms smuggling, money laundering, international economic crime and cyber crime in accordance with general principles of international laws and relevant international instruments, as well as laws and regulations of ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation and relevant international treaties to which we are party.

23. WE strongly condemned terrorism in all its forms and manifestations and consider it as one of the most serious challenges facing the world. We are convinced that terrorism shall not be associated with any religion, nation, civilization or ethnic group. ASEAN and the Russian Federation confirmed readiness to enhance counter-terrorism cooperation under the aegis of the UN and to pay special attention to prevention of terrorism, counteraction to its ideology and suppression of terrorist recruiting, and to employ the potential of civil society, business circles and mass-media to that end. We decided to explore cooperation to combat terrorism, including possible cooperation to address underlying causes of terrorism, and exchange of information in the areas of intelligence. In this regard, we are determined to convene the ASEAN-Russian Federation Senior Officials Meeting on Transnational Crime Consultation (SOMTC-Russia) annually and welcomed the establishment of the ASEAN-Russia Working Group on Counter-Terrorism and Transnational Crime and the adoption of the ASEAN-Russia Work Plan on Countering Terrorism and Transnational Crime in May 2009 and reaffirmed commitment to its consistent implementation.

24. WE accepted to intensify contacts and to exchange experience as well as best practices between law enforcement agencies on countering international terrorism and transnational crime using the potential of the regional counter-terrorism centres in the ASEAN Member States. We pledged to improve intelligence and information sharing on counter-terrorism measures in accordance with laws and regulations of ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation including the capacity building as well as development of more effective counter-terrorism policies and legal, regulatory and administrative counter-terrorism regimes. In this regard, we encouraged the countries that have not done so, to work towards becoming parties to all 16 international conventions and protocols relating to counter-terrorism.

25. ASEAN welcomed the Russian Federation’s active and constructive role in ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) and related activities which have contributed to peace, stability and security in Asia Pacific region and looked forward to the close cooperation of the Russian Federation in promoting comprehensive security in the region. ASEAN welcomed the efforts of the Russian Federation to enhance ARF anti terrorist capacity within the mechanism of the ARF Inter-Sessional Meetings on Counter-Terrorism and Transnational Crime as well as Russia’s participation in activities of other ARF mechanisms dealing with new challenges and threats.

26. WE noted the increasing relevance of establishing a regional partnership network of multilateral organizations and fora. In this context, ASEAN and the Russian Federation will work towards further developing interaction between ASEAN and the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) and their antiterrorism structures.

27. WE underlined the importance of strengthening information security built on 2009 UN General Assembly resolutions 64/25 and 64/211.
ECONOMIC COOPERATION

28. WE acknowledged the importance of closer cooperation in promoting ASEAN-Russia economic relations. In this regard, we recalled the signing of the Agreement between the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Government of the Russian Federation on Economic and Development Cooperation in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on 10 December 2005 and recommended to explore collective efforts for its full implementation.

29. WE reiterated our continued commitment to implement the ASEAN-Russia Comprehensive Plan of Action (CPA) to promote cooperation between ASEAN and Russia Federation (2005-2015) which would contribute to ASEAN’s efforts in building ASEAN Community especially in narrowing the development gap, regional integration and connectivity.

30. WE recognized the important role and contribution of the ASEAN-Russian Federation Senior Economic Officials Consultation (SEOM-Russia) in facilitating ASEAN-Russia economic and trade cooperation. We therefore welcomed decision of the ASEAN-Russian Federation Economic Ministers Consultations (AEM-Russia) to task Senior Economic Officials to work on various proposals including the development of a comprehensive economic cooperation roadmap to enhance the ASEAN-Russia economic relations.

31. WE believed that development of direct contacts between the business circles is necessary for achieving a new level of cooperation in trade and economy. In this regard, we assessed positively the past ASEAN-Russia Business Fora and accepted to hold it in future on the sidelines of ASEAN-Russia Summits and on other occasions. ASEAN will invite Russian businessmen to join ASEAN Business and Investment Summits.

32. WE resolved to contribute to reforming the international financial system to achieve a more comprehensive, equitable and inclusive system that takes into consideration the interests and voices of the emerging and developing economies with a view to safeguarding the global economy from future crises, and to promote regional and global economic growth and recovery. ASEAN and Russia strongly opposed to all forms of protectionism in international trade. Russia pledges to assist ASEAN’s efforts to implement the ASEAN Economic Community Blueprint which would create greater business opportunities in the region. We would consider ways to increase ASEAN-Russia cooperation in industry, SME development, R&D exchange in various sectors of energy, among others.

33. WE are committed to increasing cooperation, including building capacity in energy and recognized the need to undertake collective initiatives to ensure stable energy supplies through large scale development of alternative and renewable energy sources, energy conservation and energy efficiency, capacity building programmes, energy infrastructure, promoting coal, oil and gas exploration. ASEAN and the Russian Federation supported the promotion of peaceful use of nuclear energy and relevant international efforts in nuclear non-proliferation. ASEAN welcomed the efforts by the Russian Federation in reforming the legal framework of international energy cooperation. We also welcomed the ASEAN-Russia Energy Cooperation Work Programme for 2010-2015 adopted at the ASEAN-Russia Senior Officials on Energy
Consultation (SOME-Russia) held on 20 July 2010 in Da Lat (Vietnam) and accepted to take the necessary steps for its due implementation.

34. WE welcomed and are willing to support the cooperation between Russia and Mekong countries.

35. WE fully supported the early accession of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Russian Federation to the World Trade Organization (WTO).

36. WE forged closer cooperation in capacity building and human resources development in the area of information and communication technology (ICT), including WTO-related ICT-issues, through, inter alia, exchange of information and best practices, training courses, e-learning, workshops, seminars, exchange of visits of ICT experts and officials.

37. WE recognized the benefits of free trade in promoting economic growth and prosperity for our nations. We note that trade liberalization is becoming the predominant trend in international economic relations.

38. WE welcomed the development of cooperation in the sphere of high technologies and expressed the readiness to explore enhanced cooperation in the field of aeronautics, including technological and industrial collaboration.

39. The Russian Federation also welcomed ASEAN's contribution to the deliberation of the G20 on global economic and financial issues and supported regular participation of the ASEAN Chair at the future G20 Summits, and their related meetings, as appropriate.

SOCIO-CULTURAL COOPERATION

40. WE intended to advance cooperation in disaster management and emergency response, taking into account the threat posed by natural and man-made disasters to the population and economies of ASEAN Member States and the Russian Federation. The Russian Federation welcomed the entry into force of the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER). ASEAN and the Russian Federation would build on existing initiatives to improve national and regional crisis management centers, emergency monitoring and forecasting systems, as well as training of professional staff for national emergency services, which would be reflected in an ASEAN-Russia Disaster Management Cooperation Work Plan for 2010-2015.

41. WE recognized the progress made in the ASEAN-Russian development cooperation and agreed to intensify it to support ASEAN's efforts in achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), narrowing the development gap among the ASEAN Member States through supporting the implementation of the IAI Work Plan II and enhancing regional integration and realizing an ASEAN Community by 2015.

42. WE welcomed the adoption of the Plan of Action of the ASEAN-Russian Federation Working Group on Science and Technology (2007-2011) and are determined to further enhance cooperation in Science and Technology including the promotion of dialogue among the officials, scientists and researchers and technology transfer and exchange. We attach great importance
to the ASEAN – Russia Working Group on Science and Technology and agreed that its activities should be focused on innovative development in such areas as live systems, energy and resources efficiency and conservation, combating the spread of infectious and other dangerous diseases, nano materials, ICT systems, agro- and biotechnologies and food security. We noted the broad prospects for cooperation in space research and peaceful use of outer space. Russia will continue to render assistance in training students from ASEAN Member States by providing scholarships for education at the Russian universities.

43. WE decided to promote cooperation activities, particularly in the areas of bridging the digital divide, network and information security, digital content and media, digital trade and mutual recognition of electronic signatures for cross-border transactions, satellite and spectrum technology, navigation systems. We expressed desire to enhance interaction in ensuring international information security, adoption of minimum standards for privacy of information subject to respective national laws, regulations and policy, and equal participation of states in Internet management while increasing the role of the International Telecommunication Union and other international organizations in Internet management. We also decided to enhance cooperation to enable improved ICT connectivity between ASEAN and the Russian Federation.

44. WE noted the need to advance international cooperation in addressing global climate change under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change. ASEAN and Russia expressed willingness to work together to ensure a fruitful outcome of the Cancun UN Climate Change Conference that will lead towards an effective global agreement to address climate change in accordance with principles and provisions of the Convention and the Bali Action Plan, in particular on mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology transfer, capacity building and taking into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities as well as respective capabilities.

45. WE would intensify multifaceted cooperation to ensure favourable sanitary and epidemiological conditions and to prevent the spread of pandemic diseases that may affect the integration processes, enhancement of development trade and economic, as well as humanitarian cooperation.

46. WE welcomed the signing on 30 October 2010 of the Agreement on Cultural Cooperation between the Governments of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Government of the Russian Federation, which will promote and deepen ASEAN-Russian Federation Cultural Cooperation and contribute positive impacts on building the ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community. We tasked our Ministers concerned to engage closely to follow-up the Agreement.

47. WE are determined to promote tourism and other forms of people-to-people interaction that facilitates the atmosphere of friendship and trust. In this regard, we welcomed the adoption of the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the ASEAN-Russia Federation Tourism Consultations and encouraged the regular convening of the ASEAN-Russia Tourism Consultations to foster greater tourism cooperation. We expressed satisfaction with the implementation of joint cooperation programs in this sphere and welcomed the growth of tourist flows between ASEAN and the Russian Federation.
48. WE decided to explore cooperation and information sharing on social development to boost productivity and welfare of our citizens through productive welfare and women's empowerment and gender responsive programmes and services. Alongside this emphasis on gender equality, we sought to enhance partnership in human development and education, social protection, human, economic and social rights and environmental sustainability for a holistic focus on social dimensions of welfares.

49. WE welcomed the launching of the ASEAN Centre at Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) and recognized its importance towards deepening mutual understanding and promoting people-to-people contacts. Towards this end, ASEAN and the Russian Federation will provide all necessary assistance to the Centre.

50. WE encouraged the development of inter-civilizational, interfaith and intercultural dialogue, considering it as a crucial element in preventing global and regional conflicts, and ensuring international peace and security. We welcomed and encouraged the holding of more conference on interfaith dialogue.

IMPLEMENTATION OF JOINT STATEMENT

51. WE decided to undertake all necessary efforts to implement the actions and measures in this Joint Statement. Progress made in the implementation of this Joint Statement will be reviewed by the Foreign Ministers and Senior officials within the ASEAN-Russian Federation dialogue framework and will be reported to the ASEAN-Russian Federation Summits.

52. WE decided to task the Ministers concerned to oversee the implementation of the CPA in their respective sectors, taking into account the global and regional developments.

53. WE urged the promotion and implementation in good faith of the Joint Statement in all its aspects.