SUMMARY OF ASEAN TREATIES AND AGREEMENTS

ASEAN FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON THE FACILITATION OF CROSS BORDER TRANSPORT OF PASSENGERS BY ROAD VEHICLES

Objective/s:

To promote, develop, and enhance tourism, investment, trade and culture exchanges among ASEAN member states by simplifying and harmonizing transport, customs, immigration and quarantine procedures, and requirements for the facilitation of transport of passengers between and among the contracting parties by road vehicles.

Obligation/s of the Parties:

Contracting parties shall grant to each other the right to undertake cross border transport of passengers by road vehicles and endeavor to provide facilities for such transport. They agree to designate cross border transport routes and points of entry and exit as specified in the Agreement. In addition, each contracting party shall allow the use of road vehicles registered in other contracting parties to provide cross border transport of passenger services in its territory. They shall also accord recognition of inspection certificates and domestic driving licenses issued by other contracting parties. Finally, passengers, drivers, and other persons on board the road vehicles shall agree to comply with immigration requirements and to be subjected health, sanitary, and customs inspections of when crossing the border of other contracting parties.

Effectivity:

The Agreement was signed on Oct. 13, 2017 and took effect on Jan. 18, 2020.

PROTOCOL TO IMPLEMENT THE NINTH PACKAGE OF COMMITMENTS ON AIR TRANSPORT SERVICES UNDER THE ASEAN AGREEMENT ON SERVICES

Objective/s:

To enhance cooperation in services, eliminate substantially restrictions to trade in services among member states, and liberalize trade in services by setting out the specific commitments that each member state shall undertake.

Obligation/s of the Parties:

The member states agree to accord preferential treatment in air transport services to one another on a Most-Favoured Nations Basis subject to each member state's Schedules of Specific Commitments and the Lists of Most-Favoured Nation Exemptions.

Effectivity:

The Protocol was signed on Nov. 6, 2015 and entered into force on Jan. 19, 2020.