



Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization

Proclamation

We, the Ministers of Education of the Member States of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization,

Desirous of cultivating and promoting the relations of friendship and mutual cooperation in attaining peace, prosperity and security through the joint efforts in the fields of education, science and culture;

Anxious to extend the opportunity for such cooperation beyond the regular membership of Southeast Asian nations to countries willing to participate in our constructive endeavours;

Having Resolved to institute the category of Associate Membership of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization;

Welcoming United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland's sincere desire expressly shown towards our mutual interests, her constant friendship extended to our Organization and her determination to preserve and advance, on all occasions, the interests and happiness of the peoples of our respective nations;

Therefore, We, the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Council, do, in the name of the peoples of Southeast Asia and by the authority vested in us, solemnly proclaim United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland as Associate Member of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization.

We, furthermore on this auspicious occasion, wish to assure United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of our high esteem, our lasting friendship and above all, our determination to share with her, as well as with all other countries, organizations and agencies which cherish the aspirations of our Organization, the benefits of regional cooperation.

Given at Hanoi, Socialist Republic of Vietnam, on this twentieth day of March, two thousand and thirteen.

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