



*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 joint efforts in the fields of education, science and culture; and to extend the opportunity for such cooperation to the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste;*

*Welcoming the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste's sincere aspiration, expressly shown towards our mutual interest in preserving and advancing, on all occasions, the welfare and happiness of the peoples of our respective nations;*

*Having Resolved to admit the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste as Member State of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization;*

*We, Therefore, the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Council, by the authority vested in us, do solemnly proclaim the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste as Member State of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization.*

*We, Furthermore, on this auspicious occasion, wish to assure the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste 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 to aspirations of our organization, the benefits of regional cooperation.*

*Given at the Republic of Singapore on this twenty-second day of March, two thousand and six.*

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and President of the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Council*