On 2 June 2021, the delegations of the European Union (EU) and its Member States and the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) have concluded negotiations on the ASEAN-EU Comprehensive Air Transport Agreement between the Governments of the Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the European Union and its Member States (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement"). On the occasion of the signature of the Agreement, the following statements have been made:

STATEMENT BY THE MEMBER STATES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS AND THE EUROPEAN UNION AND ITS MEMBER STATES

The ASEAN Member States, the EU, and its Member States will take all necessary steps in accordance with their respective applicable laws and regulations to bring the Agreement into force in accordance with Article 33 of the Agreement as expeditiously as possible. In the case of Malaysia, it will take all necessary steps in accordance with its respective applicable laws and regulations, taking into account Article N of the Agreement.

The ASEAN Member States, the EU and its Member States express their intention to maintain close discussions and coordination, through the framework of the Joint Committee provided for under Article 23 of the Agreement, on responses to unexpected crisis events, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, with the objective of mitigating, to the extent possible, any disruptive effects to air services.
STATEMENT BY THE MEMBER STATES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS EXCEPT MALAYSIA AND THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

The competent aeronautical authorities of the ASEAN Member States and the EU Member States intend, to the extent permitted by their respective applicable laws and regulations, to extend favourable consideration to applications for air services and operating authorisations by each other's air carriers on terms equivalent to those of the Agreement, on the basis of comity and reciprocity, as from the date of signature of the Agreement and until its entry into force.

STATEMENT BY MALAYSIA

Malaysia may notify the Parties to the Agreement that its competent aeronautical authorities intend, to the extent permitted by its applicable laws and regulations, to extend favourable consideration to applications for air services and operating authorisations by air carriers of the EU on terms equivalent to those of the Agreement, on the basis of comity and reciprocity, as from the date specified in that notification and until the entry into force of the Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorised to that effect, have signed this Record of Statements.