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Excellency,

I wish to refer to the maize importation issue raised by the delegation of Lao PDR at the 10th meeting of the Coordinating Committee on the Implementation of the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (CCA) during 17-19 January 2013 in Brunei Darussalam.

It is my pleasure to inform Your Excellency that the Cabinet of Thailand had announced a decision on 21 January 2013 to allow maize (for animal feeds) in grain from Lao PDR to be imported through the Public Warehouse Organization for re-exports. The amount to be imported shall be approximately 200,000 metric tons during the period January - February 2013. Such import shall be subject to zero percent (0%) import duty and applicable rules and regulations set forth by the Department of Foreign Trade.

The abovementioned information is highly beneficial, especially to Laotian farmers and exporters, so I kindly seek Your Excellency's assistance in disseminating it to the relevant stakeholders.

I take this opportunity to reiterate to Your Excellency that Thailand will continue to cooperate closely with Lao PDR to enhance trade and investment relationship between the two countries under bilateral, regional and multilateral frameworks.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration

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