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LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
Peace Independence Democracy Unity Prosperity

The Office of the Prime Minister

No. 68/PM
Vientiane Capital, dated 28 April 2008

Decree
On Adoption of the Negative List

- Pursuant to Law on Government of Lao PDR, No. 02/NA, dated 6 May 2007;
- Pursuant to Enterprise Law, No. 11/NA, dated 9 November 2005;
- Pursuant to Recommendation of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, No. 1557/IC, dated 31 August 2007,

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It is prohibited for any other persons than the Government to change the Negative List or set timeframes in contradiction with the Enterprise Law and this Decree. Violators shall be subject to measures as set out in the Enterprise Law.

Article 6. The relevant authorities shall revoke all their regulations on examination and authorization procedures prior to enterprise registration for those businesses not falling in the Negative List.

Article 7. The relevant authorities shall promptly improve their existing regulations or issue new regulations as necessary to be clear, thorough and in compliance with laws and Government's regulations in order to enhance the supervision of existing enterprises under their respective responsibilities, such as: eligibility criteria, inspection, certification, approval or authorization for all businesses whether falling in the Negative List or not, as provided for in paragraph 2 of Article 230 of the Enterprise Law.

Article 8. The Ministry of Industry and Commerce shall be the center to disseminate, guide, inspect, monitor and encourage the effective implementation of this Decree. All ministries, organizations and local administration authorities shall strictly implement this Decree.

Article 9. This Decree is effective from the date of signature.

The Prime Minister of Lao PDR

Signed and sealed

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Annex “A”

The Negative List or the list of business types which shall be authorized by the relevant authorities prior to enterprise registration
(Pursuant to third paragraph of Article 2 of the Enterprise Law)

Sectors	ISIC codes	Type of business	Relevant authorities
Agriculture, forestry and fishing			
	0170	Hunting, trapping and related service activities	Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
	0210	Silviculture and other forestry activities	MOAF
	0220	Logging	MOAF

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5913	Motion picture, video and television programme distribution activities	Ministry of Information and Culture
5920	Sound recording and music publishing activities	Ministry of Information and Culture
6010	Radio broadcasting	Ministry of Information and Culture
6021	Television broadcasting	Ministry of Information and Culture
6022	Leasing programme via cable , satellite and others	Ministry of Information and Culture
6110	Wired telecommunications activities	MCTPC
6120	Wireless telecommunications activities	MCTPC
6130	Satellite telecommunications activities	MCTPC
6190	Other telecommunications activities	MCTPC