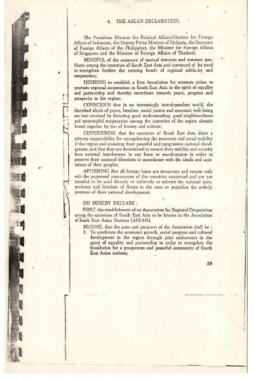
Annex A: UNESCO Memory of the World Register

The Birth of the Association of Southeast Asia Nations (ASEAN) (Archives about the Formation ASEAN, 1967 – 1976)

Submitters: Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand.

The archives record the establishment of the Association of Southeast Asia Nations (ASEAN) by its five founding countries: Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, and Thailand. This collection includes the 1967 ASEAN Declaration and related records, comprising 16 textual files, one photo, one film, three audio files and 12 oral history interview recordings. The archives describe ASEAN's foundational mission to turn neighbours into cordial friends and build mutual trust where there were once trust deficits. Furthermore, the archives provide evidence that newly independent, relatively small countries have their own agency in shaping international politics toward a more peaceful and stable landscape. The archives serve as a basic reference for ASEAN's diplomacy, which later became known as the "ASEAN Way".



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