Dear Ambassador Froman:

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Malaysia and the United States agree that Malaysia may, in a manner consistent with its international obligations, apply Article 18.41 and Article 18.50.3 with respect to the protections afforded under Article 18.50.1-2 and 18.52, regardless of patent status.

I have the honour to confirm that my Government shares this understanding, and that this letter and your letter of confirmation in reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of entry into force of the TPP Agreement as between Malaysia and the United States.

Sincerely,

Mustapa Mohamed
Subject to Legal Review for Accuracy, Clarity and Consistency

[Date of signature of the TPP Agreement]

The Honorable Mustapa Mohamed
Minister of Trade and Industry
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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Ambassador Michael B. G. Froman