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ASEAN has established since 1967 and the word "ASEAN" stands for Associate South East Asia Nation. ASEAN has included 10 countries which are Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Brunei, Thailand, Singapore, Lao, Vietnam, Cambodia, and Myanmar. The purpose of this institution is to expanse the economy in Southeast Asia by using AFTA (ASEAN Free Trade Area) in order to attract FDI (Foreign Direct Investment) for the resources, and abundant labor force that ASEAN was the third-largest population in the world in 2014 with the lower cost if comparing to the other within the ASEAN. Moreover, there are extra ASEAN FTA which include China, Japan, Korea, India, Australia, and New Zealand.

Under the integration of the countries in South East Asia, the ASEAN's economy tends to grow continuously if we look for the real GDP growth the ASEAN has the growth rate more than United State which is 5.1 and 1.8 respectively in 2013. Furthermore, the ASEAN GDP in 2014 almost doubled and GDP per capita increase for 76% and in term of FDI inflow ASEAN was the second highest source comparing with the other countries such as Japan or United State. In addition, ASEAN also was the largest share for trading partners in terms of export and import.

The benefits for the integration of ASEAN are not only for the economy but also bridging for the development gaps between the countries in this institution which are the ASEAN6 and the CLMV in terms of the infrastructure, human resource, and information and communication technology (ICT) as well.

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- give some opinion.
 - It's good to find additional information but there's no need to find more information from other sources since you cannot gather all information topic in the slide.

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Cambodia is the country in South East Asia that has a border next to Thailand, Laos ^{PDR}PR, and Vietnam. Cambodia is a democratic country and its current prime minister is Samdech Akka Moha Sena Padei Techo HUN SEN who won Cambodia's election in 2018 with Cambodian people's party or CPP. There are populations around 16.28 million and 51 percent of the population is men and 49 percent left are women.

Cambodia's economy tends to grow continuously. The number of exports was increasing from 2017 to 2018 and be likely to grow consecutively. Moreover, Cambodia has a good relationship with Thailand that both countries have bilateral checkpoints in many border provinces of both of them. Cambodia and Thailand also are a trading partner as well that Cambodia imported from Thailand around 4,672 million USD in 2016 and increased to 5,270 million USD in 2017 and in 2018 the number of imports still rose to 7,621 million USD which can imply the number of importations is likely to increase continuously in 2019. Thailand has been invested in Cambodia a lot as well with 15.8 million USD in 2017 and escalated to 30.9 million USD in 2018.

However, the ^{political}political tension in Cambodia may be a negative effect on their economy. With the election in 2017, there still have been doubtful for the other developing countries such as EU and United State about the justice for this election that there are no opposition party in the parliament and the human right in their country. With the problem, the EU is still considering to boycott Cambodia by withdrawing EBA (Everything But Arms) out of them. So, the question is "How

their government going to do with this situation" and "How Cambodia call themselves a Democracy country with no opposition party in their parliament" and the last question about their Democracy still no answer for now.

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