

(Unofficial Translation)

**Announcement by the Council for Democratic Reform No. 19:
Selected Organic Laws shall continue to remain in force**

In order to ensure continuity with respect to counter corruption efforts, it is deemed appropriate that the Organic Law on National Counter Corruption B.E. 2542 (1999) be amended and, thereafter, put into force. In this connection, the Council for Democratic Reform declares as follows:

1. That the Organic Law on National Counter Corruption B.E. 2542 (1999) continue to remain in force, except those provisions related to the selection of members of the National Counter Corruption Commission;

2. That the Organic Law on the Criminal Procedures for Persons holding Political Positions B.E. 2542 (1999) continue to remain in force;

3. That the composition of the National Counter Corruption Commission, in accordance with the Organic Law on Counter Corruption B.E. 2542 (1999), be as follows:

1. Mr. Panthep Klanarongran, Chairperson,
2. Mr. Klanarong Chanthik, Member,
3. Mr. Jaidet Pornchaiya, Member,
4. Mr. Prasart Pongsiwapai, Member,
5. Professor Pakdi Pothisiri, Member,
6. Professor Methi Krongkaew, Member,
7. Mr. Wicha Mahakhun, Member,
8. Mr. Wichai Wiwitsewi, Member, and
9. Miss Somlak Jadkrabuanpon, Member.

4. In the event that the Chairperson or Committee members as per paragraph 3 above have to relinquish their position for whatever reason, leaving six or more remaining members, the Commission shall continue to function with those six or more remaining members.

If the Chairperson has to relinquish his position, the remaining members are to select a new Chairperson from among themselves.

In the event that the Commission has fewer than six members, the Prime Minister shall either select qualified persons, submit their names first to the national assembly which has legislative responsibilities for approval and, subsequently, to His Majesty the King for appointment by Royal Command or undertake a selection and appointment process as stipulated by the laws in force at the time, whichever case may be deemed appropriate.

5. That the Chairperson and members of the National Counter-Corruption Commission are to proceed in accordance with Section 11 of the Organic Law on National Counter Corruption B.E. 2542 (1999) within 15 days of the date that this Announcement takes effect. In the case that the members of the Commission as per paragraph 3 above cannot proceed within the timeframe specified in the proceeding sentence or cannot accept his/her position on the Commission, paragraph 4 above shall be applied.

Announced on 22 September B.E. 2549 (2006)
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