

Statement

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technical supports in pre-deployment training of Thai officials and polices to comply with international standard.

Mr. Chairman,

At the national level, Thai law ensures criminal responsibility of our nationals including those serving as United Nations officials or experts on mission. The Thai Criminal Code establishes jurisdiction over serious criminal offences committed outside the territory of the Kingdom including those relating to the security of the Kingdom, terrorism and money laundering. Thai law also ensures that offences committed by Thai government or military officers during the course of their official duty outside the territory of the Kingdom of Thailand can be punished within the Kingdom. To end the culture of impunity, Thailand has been cooperating with many countries within the framework of extradition agreements and on the basis of reciprocity. Furthermore, the act of corruption conducted by foreign government officials and international organization officials constitutes an offence according to the Organic Act on Counter Corruption (No.3) B.E. 2558 (2015). In this regard, our legal system reflects the great importance that we attach to accountability to the law and equality before the law.

Mr. Chairman,

We also strongly support cooperation among States and between States and the UN as a way to effectively prosecute offenders, secure justice and end impunity. All States must consider establishing jurisdiction over serious crimes committed by