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DSI's Director General

Name	Term of Office
1. Pol.Lt.Gen. Noppadol Somboonsap	8 Nov. 2002 - 21 Sept. 2003
2. Pol.Gen. Sombat Amornwiwat	7 Feb. 2004 - 9 Jan. 2007
3. Mr. Sunai Manomaiudom	16 Jan. 2007 - 24 Feb. 2008
4. Pol.Col. Tawee Sodsong	11 Apr. 2008 - 29 Sept. 2009
5. Mr. Tarit Pengdith	19 Oct. 2009 - 27 Jun. 2014
6. Pol.Gen. Chatchawal Suksomjit	27 Jun. 2014 - 17 Nov. 2014
7. Mrs. Suwana Suwanjuta	17 Nov. 2014 - 30 Sept. 2015
8. Pol.Col. Paisit Wongmuang	1 Oct. 2015 - 2 Apr. 2020
9. Pol.Lt.Col. Korrawat Panprapakorn	15 Jun. 2020 - 30 Sept. 2021
10. Mr. Triyarith Temahivong	1 Oct. 2021 - 8 Mar. 2023
11. Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol	9 Mar. 2023 - 28 Nov. 2023

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About the DSI

The Department of Special Investigation (DSI) is a multidisciplinary law enforcement agency founded on October 3, 2002, under the Ministry of Justice pursuant to the Ministries, Bureaus, and Departments Restructuring Act, B.E.2545 (2002), to prevent, suppress and control serious and complex crime that cause huge damage, both economically and socially, to national security.

Vision

A key organization enforcing laws against special crime by international standards

Mission

To efficiently prevent, suppress and investigate crime, and to fairly proceed with special cases

Power and Duty

The missions of the DSI abided by the ministerial regulations are to prevent, suppress and control serious cases affecting the nation's economy, society, security and safety by monitoring crime, investigating serious cases, and prosecuting criminals so as to protect and preserve the nation's income, suppress corruption and dismantle transnational organized crime. The power and duty of the DSI are as follows:

1. To deal with administrative work of the Board of Special Case (BSC) under the Special Case Investigation Act and related laws;
2. To prevent, suppress and investigate serious cases pursuant to the Special Case Investigation Act and the rules or the resolutions made by the BSC as well as to perform its work conforming to the Criminal Procedure Code and other laws relating to the criminal offences regarded as special cases;
3. To study, collect, systematize and analyze information for the benefit of the performance of the BSC and for serious crime prevention, suppression and investigations;

4. To educate about, train on and develop special case investigation systems as well as to enhance knowledge and evaluate the work performance of personnel of the DSI;
5. To perform its work relating to the laws and regulations under the responsibility of the DSI and related work; and
6. To perform any other tasks according to the laws under the responsibility of the DSI or as assigned by the Minister or the Cabinet.

Organizational Culture: Dignity, Specialty, Integrity

D: Dignity

Definition

Be proud of, dignified and faithful to the organization, behave in honor, dignity and proper to the status with self-discipline, and love, be united with the organization and colleagues.

S: Specialty

Definition

Have knowledge, ability and expertise from learning and collecting work experience until being recognized by people from inside and outside.

I: Integrity

Definition

Have virtue, ethics, honesty and integrity to oneself and others, perform duty by upholding good governance principles, and behave properly consistent with Sufficiency Economy Concepts.

DSI's Scope of Special Cases

Special cases are serious and complex criminal cases that are committed by influential persons acting as principals, instigators, or accessories, or associated with organized criminal groups who possess and abuse knowledge of highly sophisticated technology in their criminal conduct, and that require innovative forms and special methods of inquiry, investigation and evidence collection to dismantle organized crime syndicates that cause serious effects upon public order and moral, national security, international relations, or the country's economy or finance.

Special cases within the scope of the DSI's authority include any criminal act under the following laws*:

1. Law on Loan of Money Amounting to Public Cheating and Fraud;
2. Exchange Control Act;
3. Act on the Offences Relating to Submission of Bids to Government Agencies;
4. Consumer Protection Act;
5. Trademark Act;
6. Public Company Act;
7. Anti-Money Laundering Act;
8. Industrial Products Standards Act;
9. Copyright Act;
10. Patent Act;
11. Securities and Exchange Act;
12. Fiscal Code;
13. Customs Act;
14. Excise Act;
15. Computer-Related Crime Act;
16. Foreign Business Act;

17. Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act;
 18. Mineral Act;
 19. Financial Institution Business Act;
 20. Hazardous Substances Act;
 21. Wildlife Reservation and Protection Act;
 22. Forest Act;
 23. National Reserved Forest Act;
 24. National Park Act;
 25. Land Code;
 26. Food Act;
 27. Drug Act;
 28. Cosmetics Act;
 29. Criminal Code (in respect of child pornography);
 30. Act Prohibiting the Charging of Excessive Interest Rates; and
 31. Narcotics Code
- * According to the Notification of the Board of Special Case (No.9), B.E.2566 (2023)

Budget

In the fiscal year 2023 (October 1, 2022 – September 30, 2023), the DSI was allocated 1,205,755,100 baht. In comparison with 1,186,799,900 baht of the budget in the fiscal year 2022, the Budget for the DSI was increase by 18,955,200 baht.

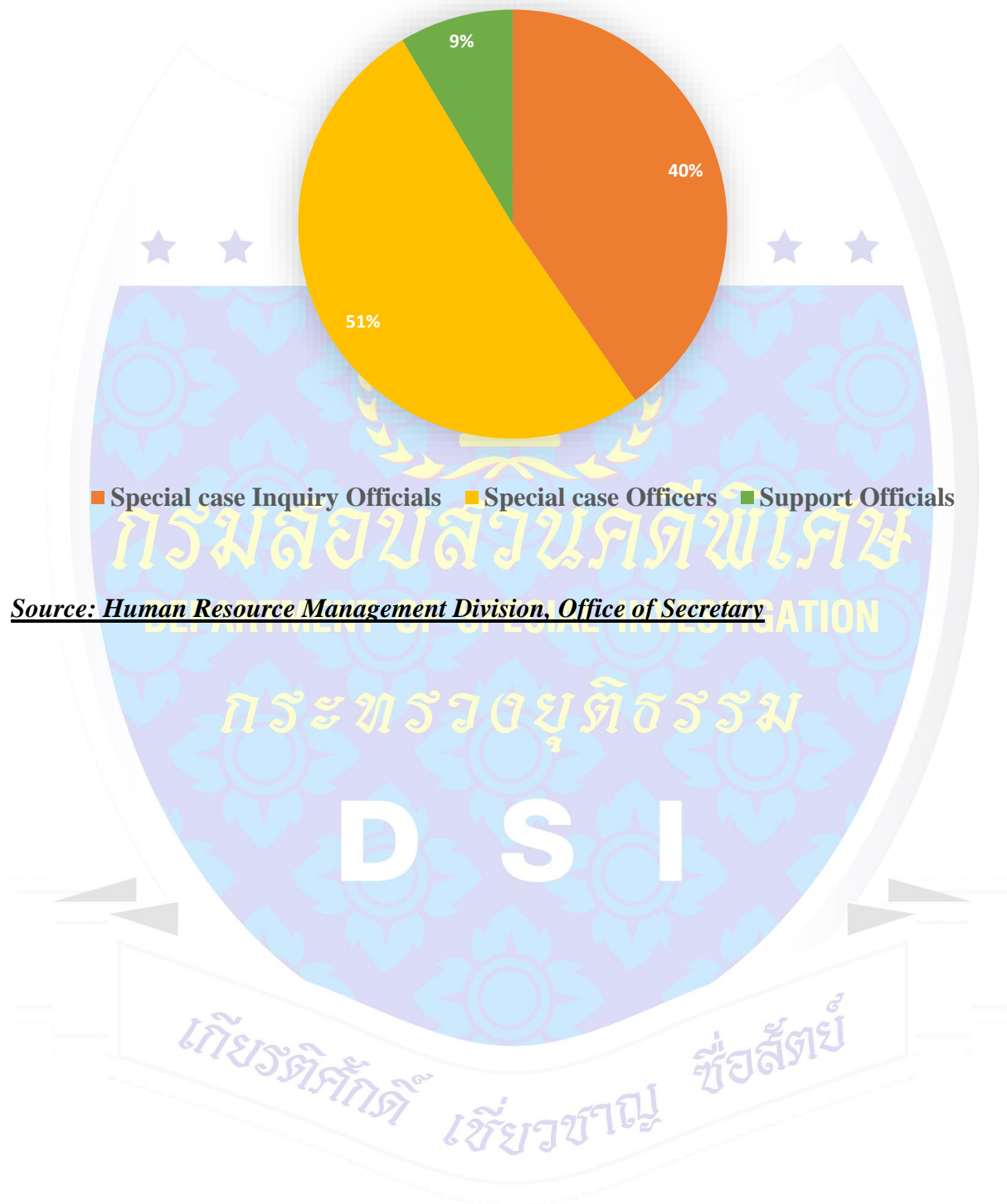
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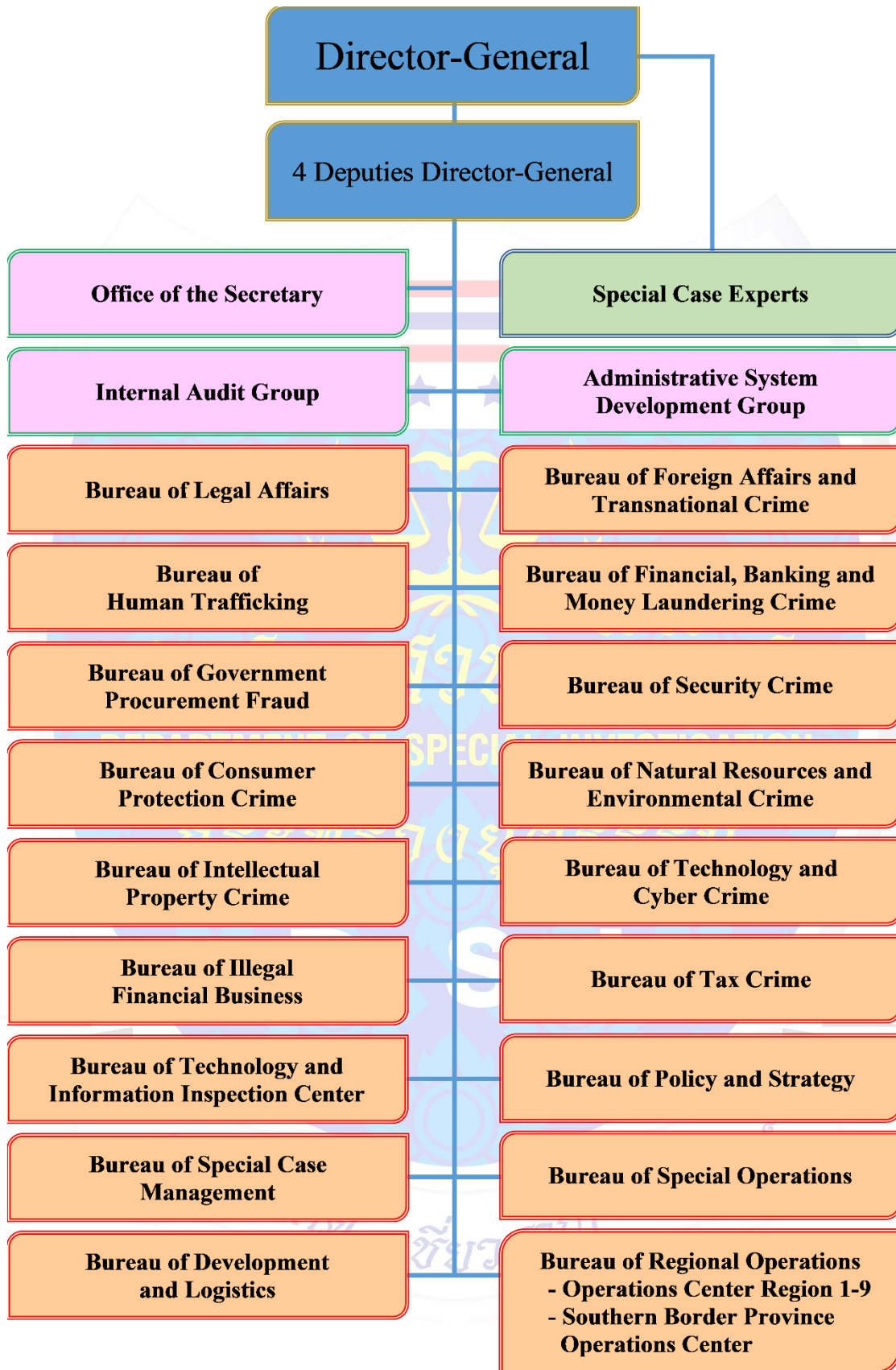
As of the end of 2023, the DSI had 1,158 personnel consisting of 977 government officials and 181 government employees. The structure of the government officials could be classified into the following categories:

1. Executives	4 positions
- Primary Level	4 positions
2. Directors	18 positions
- Higher Level	17 positions
- Primary Level	1 positions
3. Special Case Inquiry Officials	372 positions
- Expert Level	15 positions
- Senior Professional Level	227 positions
- Professional Level	130 positions
4. Special Case Officers	499 positions
- Senior Professional Level	87 positions
- Professional Level	288 positions
- Practitioner Level	124 positions
5. Support Officials	84 positions
- Practitioner Level	24 positions
- Senior Level	12 positions
- Experienced Level	39 positions
- Operational Level	8 positions



DSI's Manpower in 2023

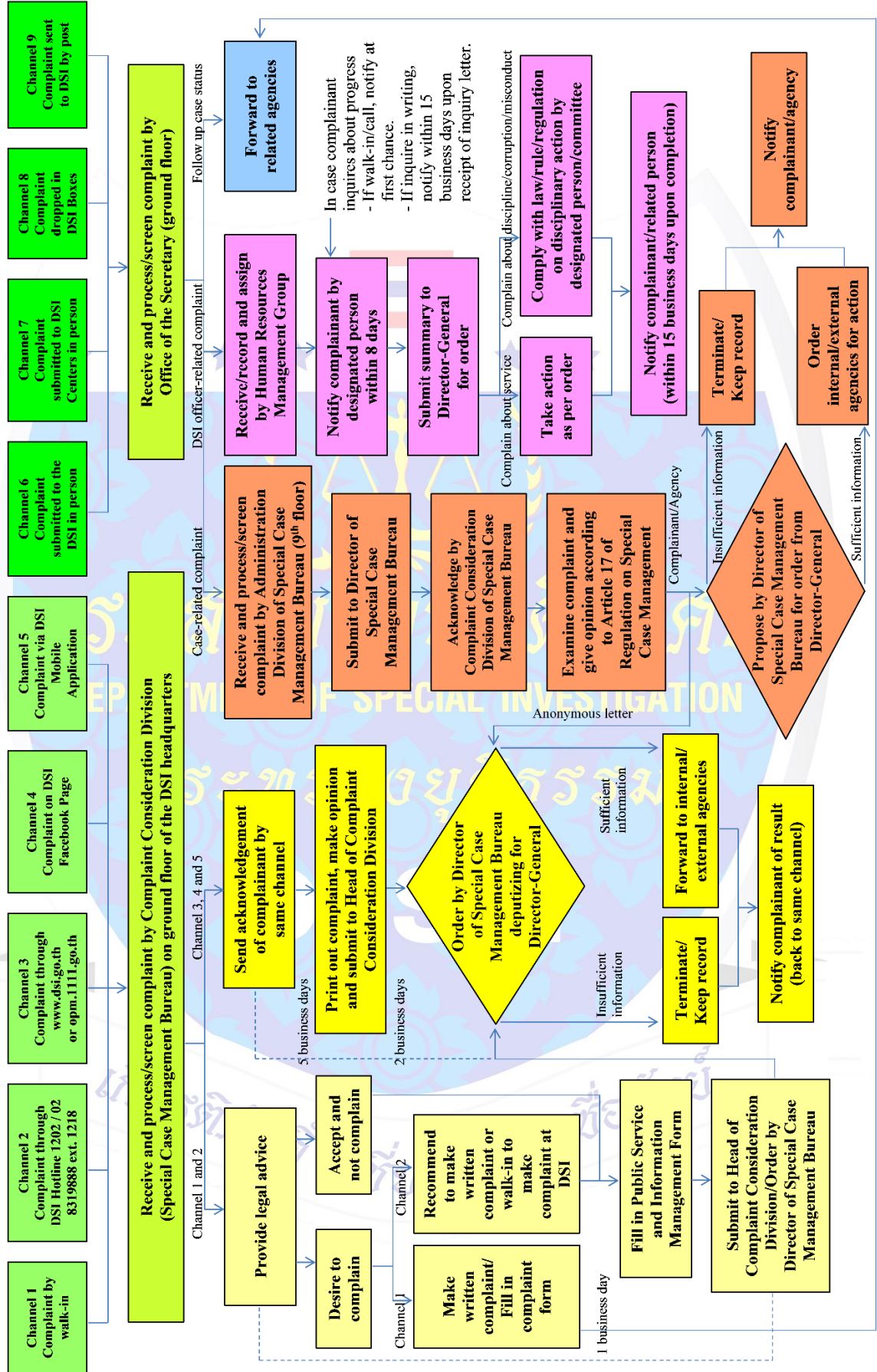




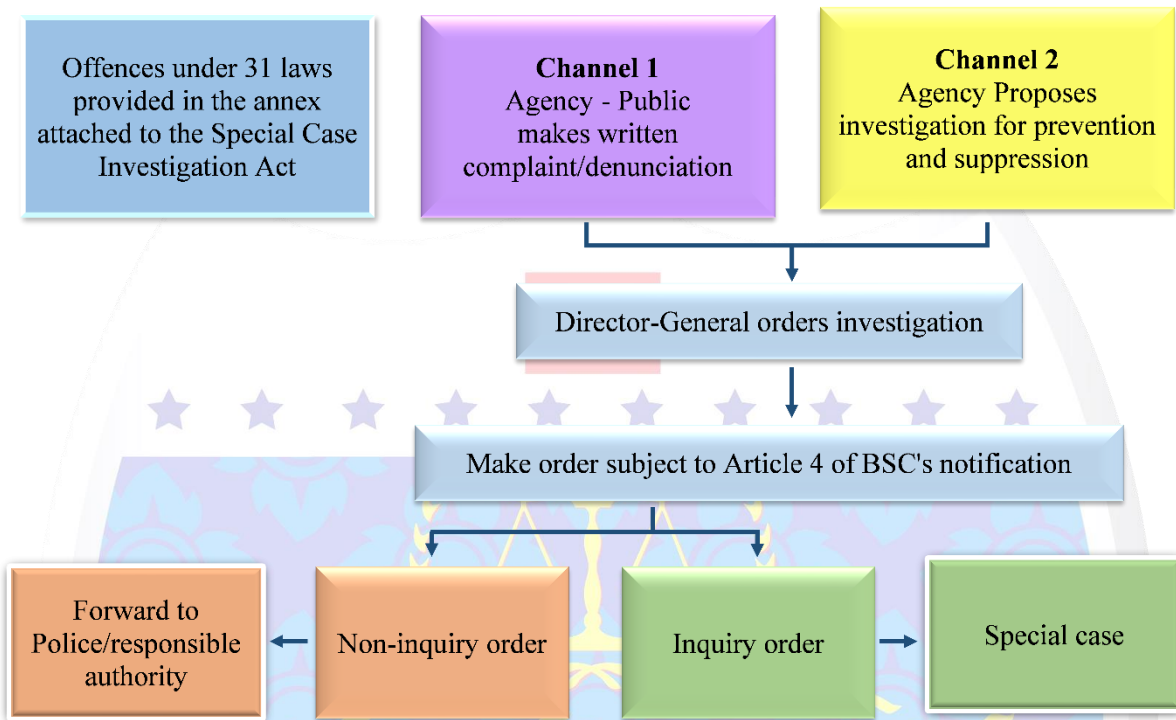


DSI's Case Process

DSI's Complaint Acceptance Process

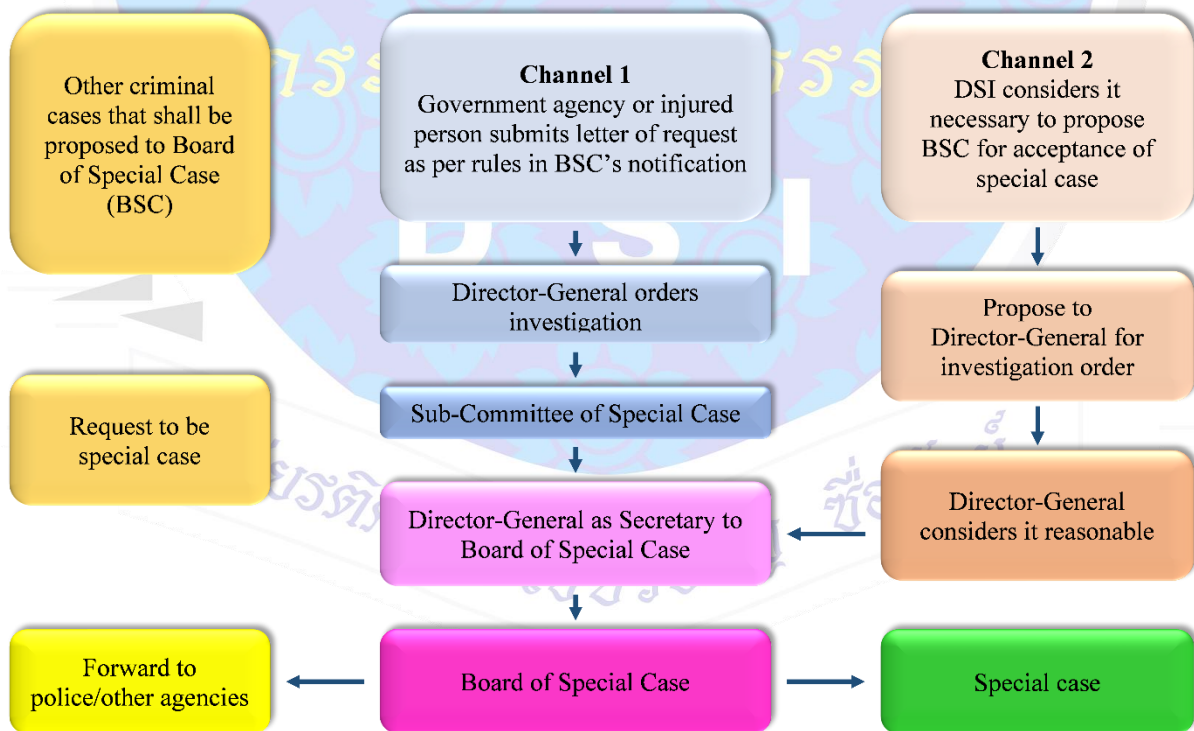


Acceptance Process for Special Cases under Section 21 Paragraph 1 (1)



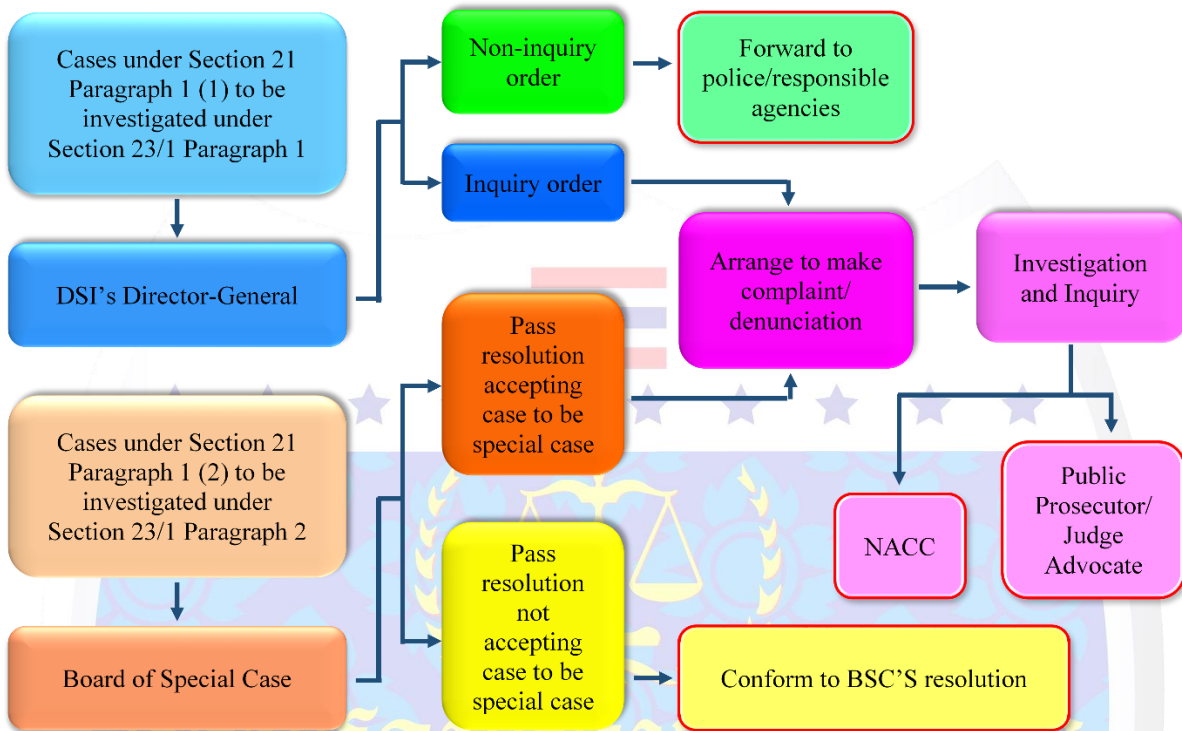
Source: Bureau of Special Case Management

Acceptance Process for Special Cases under Section 21 Paragraph 1 (2)



Source: Bureau of Special Case Management

Special Case Investigation and Inquiry Process



Source: Bureau of Special Case Management

Special Case Inquiry Process



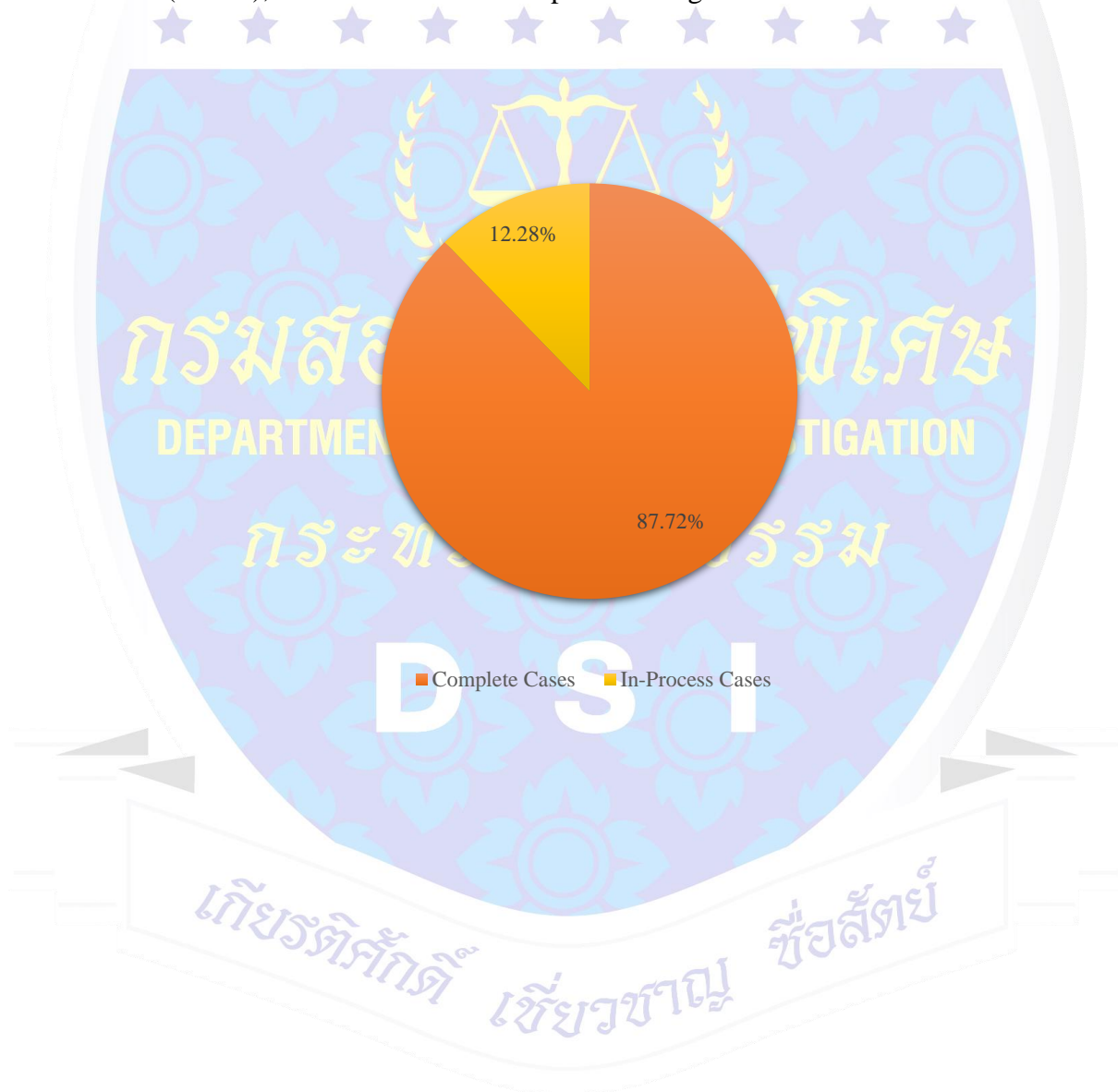
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DSI's Case Statistics

DSI's Case Statistics

The number of special cases which has been investigate and examined by the DSI since 2004 until the end of 2023 was 3,370 cases comprising 2,956 complete cases (87.72%) and 414 In-process cases (12.28%). For the complete cases, 2,956 cases were submitted to the Office of the Attorney General, 254 cases were sent to the Office of the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC), 3 cases were forwarded to the Office of Public Sector Anti-Corruption Commission (PACC), and 305 cases were suspended/merged/fined.



Source: Bureau of Special Case Management (As of December 31, 2023)

Accumulated special cases from 2004-2023 **3,370 Cases**

Complete cases **2,956 Cases**

-to public prosecutor 2,394 Cases

-to NACC 254 Cases

-to PACC 3 Cases

-suspended/merged/fined 305 Cases

In-process cases **414 Cases**

-in process for more than 3 years 30 Cases

-in process for 1-3 years 274 Cases

-in process for less than 1 year 110 Cases

NUMBER OF SPECIAL CASES



Complete Cases
87.72%

In-Process Cases
12.28%



Sources: Bureau of Special Case Management

Special Case Performance in 2004-2023 (As of December 31, 2023)

<i>Year</i>	<i>Total Cases</i>	<i>Complete Cases</i>	<i>In-Process Cases</i>
2004	31	31	-
2005	89	89	-
2006	170	170	-
2007	96	96	-
2008	83	83	-
2009	123	123	-
2010	475	475	-
2011	130	130	-
2012	252	252	-
2013	263	263	-
2014	105	105	-
2015	148	148	-
2016	192	192	-
2017	236	235	1
2018	180	176	4
2019	166	154	12
2020	121	108	13
2021	67	42	25
2022	315	66	249
2023	128	18	110
Total	3,370	2,956	414

Number of service requested in 2023 by channels		
Walk-in	62	1.50%
Phone/Hotline 1202	1,881	45.45%
DSI Website	2,186	52.81%
1111 Government Website	10	0.24%
Facebook	0	0.00%
Total	4,139	100%

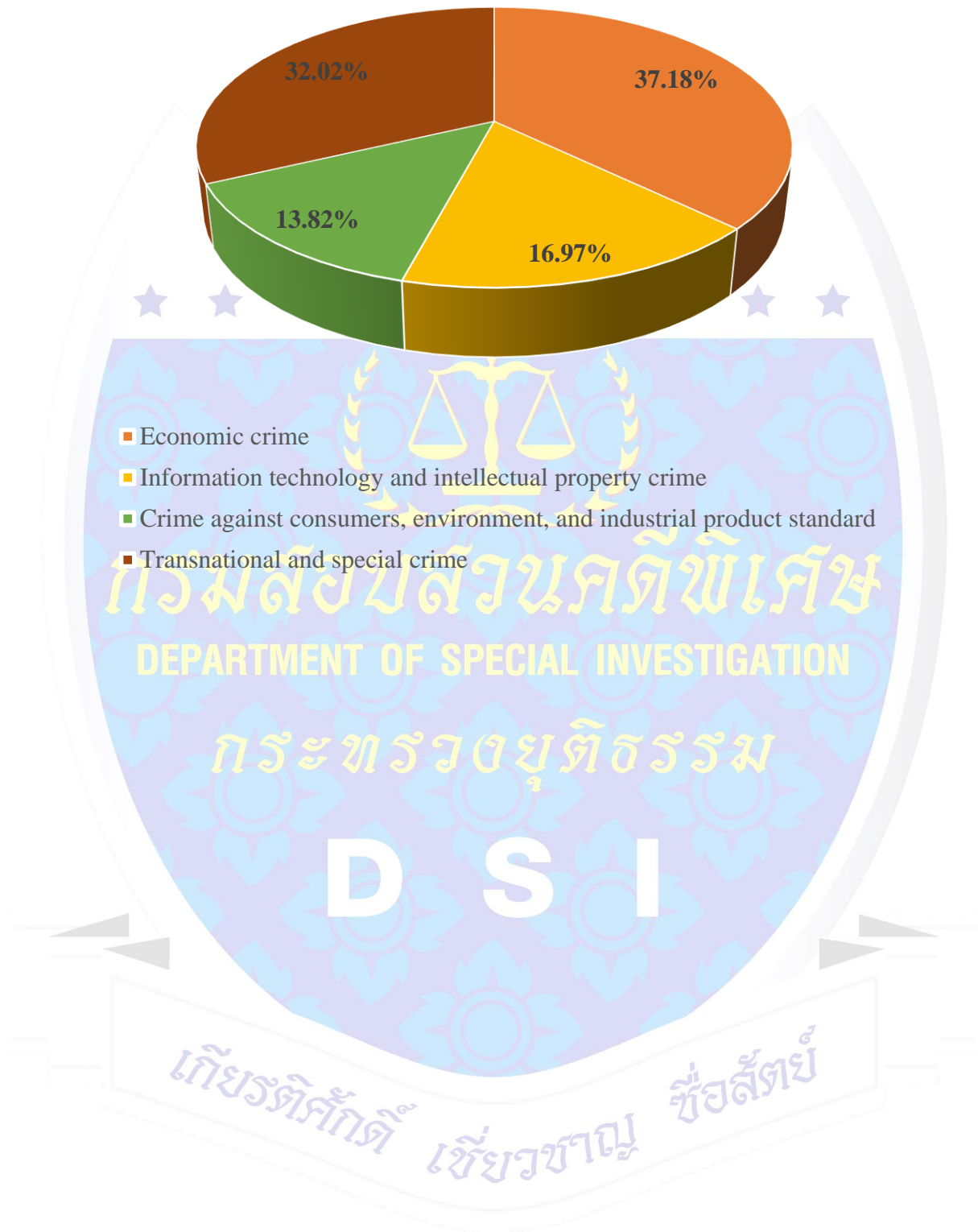
Sources: Bureau of Special Case Management

**Catagories of Special Cases
(As of December 31,2023)**

Nature of crime	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Economic crime	10	35	40	38	42	47	19	44	49	63
Information technology and intellectual property crime	3	7	52	23	15	21	29	30	62	112
Crime against consumers, environment, and industrial product standard	0	3	44	6	6	3	134	2	41	33
Transnational and special crime	18	44	34	29	20	52	293	54	100	55
Total	31	89	170	96	83	123	475	130	252	263

Nature of crime	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Economic crime	38	41	88	174	42	102	43	25	250	63
Information technology and intellectual property crime	20	46	42	24	37	9	16	5	8	11
Crime against consumers, environment, and industrial product standard	14	18	24	15	21	11	42	16	16	17
Transnational and special crime	33	43	38	23	80	44	20	21	41	37
Total	105	148	192	236	180	166	121	67	315	128

Total Accumulate				
Economic crime	Information technology and intellectual property crime	Crime against consumers, environment, and industrial product standard	Transnational and special crime	Total
1,253	572	466	1,079	3,370





DSI's Performance in 2023

January 2023

DSI to Formulate Career Path Program as Transparent Model for Professional Growth

On Friday 6 January 2022 at 10.00 am at DSI Headquarters, the Department of Special Investigation (DSI) held the DSI Working Group Meeting on Career Path, with DSI Director-General Mr. Triyarith Temahivong serving as Advisory Chairperson.

The Director-General was quoted as saying, that formulating a career path is one of DSI's priorities, as it is a factor with direct influence for DSI's human resources management, especially in creating incentives for those with potentials and determination to become aware of their professional growth or career promotion and to be able to perform their duties and meet DSI's expectations.

“As a law enforcement agency with public trust and expectations to ensure justice is served, DSI strives to become a model agency with maximum transparency in establishing a career path based on knowledge, abilities, experience and achievements to selectively draw people with expertise and integrity. This will serve as an incentive for DSI officers to actively perform their assigned duties and bring about recognized achievements, in compliance with the terms and methods set by the Civil Service Commission.”

To ensure that the DSI career path program is implemented and adapted to meet the ever-changing contexts of laws, rules, regulations and organization culture, the DSI Working Group on Career Path was formed to include DSI's directors and special case experts, with Deputy Director-General Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen acting as the WG Chairperson.

With the goal of introducing DSI's career path within 2 months, the Working Group is to study and analyze relevant rules and regulations to formulate

the career path, to ensure its implementation, and to consider including external experts from agencies with demonstrated success in career path programs in the formulation of DSI's own career path.

DSI Statement on the Progress of 1,020 Luxury Car Investigation

Reference is made to the DSI investigation led by DSI Deputy Director-General Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen together with special case experts into 114 Special Cases, in which criminal organizations are involved in smuggling 1,020 tax-evading vehicles into Thailand, according to the information obtained from the UK through Mutual Legal Assistance (MLA) requests, and in which the tax re-evaluation by the Customs Department reveals false (lower) declaration of import values to evade applicable taxes, causing the loss of income worth approximately 3 billion baht.

According to the latest update from DSI Deputy Director-General Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen, the past year saw a significant progress made – with 404 current owners inquired,



446 first-time registrants inquired, Bangkok automobile registrar inquired in relation to 1,020 vehicles, 21 provincial automobile registrars inquired in relation to 59 vehicles, Department of Land Transport officers inquired in relation to 1,020 vehicles, customs officers inquired in relation to the misvaluation 1,020 vehicles, 36 customs officers inquired in relation to the release of the vehicles, and a large number of documents relating to financial traces and transactions obtained. The DSI has informed 133 car importers involved in 79 cases of the charges, with the

rest expected by February 2023. An arrest warrant is to be sought and published for those failing to present themselves to be informed of the charges, and the case files referred to public prosecutors.

As DSI Director-General Mr. Triyarith Temahivong was quoted as saying, Minister of Justice Mr. Somsak Thepsuthin has given a priority to these important cases and instructed DSI to accelerate its investigation, so that after successfully prosecuting car importers involved in the tax evasion, DSI will expand its investigation to take legal actions against principal offenders who are mostly import car dealers or businesses.

The Child Sexual Exploitation Crime Team of DSI attended the meeting with FANC's Child Exploitation Working Group (CEWG) at the British Embassy Bangkok

On 12th January, 2023, Director General of the DSI, Mr. Triyarith Temahivong assigned Police Captain Khemachart Prakhyhongmanee (Head of Child Sexual Exploitation Crime Center (CSECC)), Ms. Anchana Chailert (Special Case Officer, Professional Level), Mr. Napol Woraprateep (Special Case Officer, Professional Level), and Ms. Thamonwan Chanittaranun (Foreign Relations Officer, Practitioner Level) from CSECC attended the January 2023 preparatory meeting with FANC's Child Exploitation Working Group (CEWG) at the British Embassy Bangkok. The purpose of this meeting is to allow the representatives responsible for the suppression of child sexual abuse to coordinate and discuss about the joint operations.

In this regard, Head of CSECC introduced roles and missions of CSECC of DSI, as well as closely exchanged information with relevant foreign agencies and discussed the use of innovation for investigation which received positive responses by the participants. Also, there was further discussion about a guideline for pushing forward laws against livestreaming sexual abuse, as well as CSE cases

reported by National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). Besides, the meeting congratulated DSI on establishing CSECC that specialises in the investigation of child sexual abuse, which is Mr. Triyarith Temahivong's policy that focuses on the cases of child sexual abuse, while CEWG is willing to cooperate with DSI on these particular issues in the future.

The Foreign Anti-Narcotic and Crime Community (FANC) is a cooperation network of foreign law enforcement agencies that aims to be a coordinating channel for the cooperation between law enforcement agencies from 23 countries.



DSI Host Fact-finding Committee Meeting on Land Disputes of Koh Lipe Sea Gypsy Community, Satun Province

On Tuesday 24 January 2023 at 10.30 am, DSI hosted the Fact-finding Committee Meeting on Land Disputes of Koh Lipe Sea Gypsy Community, Satun Province. Chaired by Police General Surachate Hakpam, the committee was formed by the Prime Minister's Office Order no. 339/2565 dated 29 December 2022 to include representatives from various government agencies: Department of Land, Department of Marine and Coastal Resources, Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation, Legal Execution Department, Royal Thai Police, Treasury and DSI as the committee's secretariat. Its main tasks involve

proposing practical guidelines or measures, as well as following up on their implementation, to address the problems faced by the local sea gypsies and ensure efficient and fair enforcement of law.



Acting DSI Director-General Visit Special Case Operations Center Region 8

On Thursday 26 January 2023, Acting DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol paid an official visit to Special Case Operations Center Region 8 in the southern province of Surat Thani.

On this occasion, Police Major Suriya received a briefing on the center's area of responsibility by Mr Suppachai Khamkhoom, head of the center, along with its staff members.

Following the visit, Acting DSI Director-General proceeded to join the Permanent Secretary for Justice to inspect the encroachment allegations at Sirinat National Park in Phuket Province.



MOJ Executives, DSI Director-General Inspect Encroachment Allegations at Sirinat National Park, Phuket

On Friday 27 January 2023 at 09.00 am at Sirinat National Park, Phuket Province, Permanent Secretary for Justice Ms Phongsaward Guyaroonsuith inspected alleged encroachment of the national park and attended a briefing on progress in the investigation. Also present were high-level officers from the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) – Deputy Permanent Secretary for Justice Mr Wallop Nakbua, Deputy Permanent Secretary for Justice Police Lieutenant Colonel Prawut Wongseenin, Acting DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol and Deputy DSI Director-General Police Captain Piya Raksakul.



The Permanent Secretary for Justice thanked and commended DSI and relevant agencies for uncovering and investigating the alleged encroachment of Sirinat National Park in Phuket Province for the sake of public interest by, in line with the government's top priorities, joining forces to protect national interest.

Acting DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya also reiterated DSI's commitment to working with all parties for the public and national interests.



Ministry of Justice executives visited Ban Rawai Sea Gypsy Community to inspect problems

On Saturday 28 January 2023, 09:00 hrs., at Ban Rawai Sea Gypsy Community, Mueang District, Phuket Province, Permanent Secretary for Justice Mrs. Phongsaward Guyaroonsuith, Deputy Permanent Secretaries Mr. Wanlop Nakbua and Police Lieutenant Colonel Prawut Wongseenin along with Central Institute of Forensic Science's Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol (Acting Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation), DSI Deputy Director-General Police Captain Piya Raksakul and officers from other relevant agencies, visited Ban Rawai Sea Gypsy Community to inspect problems on human rights, habitats and arable land, etc.



Ministry of Justice has its role in providing assistance to people residing in the area by ensuring access to justice, which needs to be supported by authorities under jurisdiction of Justice Ministry such as Department of Special Investigation, as the main authority responsible for fact-finding. If people still suffer from the problems, they can report such problems to Phuket Provincial Justice Office and Special Case Operations Center Region 8, where complaints from local people are accepted and sent to responsible authorities for consideration in order to maximize the ability to assist people.



DSI Awarded “Model Agency for Integrity” Certificate for Fiscal Year 2022

On Monday 30 January 2023 at 09.30 hrs., Central Institute of Forensic Science’s Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Acting Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation, received the “Model Agency for Integrity” Certificate for Fiscal Year 2022, awarded as part of the project on promoting virtuous community, organization, district and province, under the National Morality Promotion Master Plan (No.1) (2016-2022), at the Ministry of Justice’s Auditorium 10-09, 10th floor. Permanent Secretary for Justice Mrs. Phongsaward Guyaroonsuith, as the chairperson of Ministry of Justice Morality Promotion Subcommittee, conferred the certificates to the agencies under Justice Ministry.

This event was in line with the resolution on assessment result and guidelines on commendation of virtuous community, organization, district and province for the fiscal year 2022, according to different types and levels of assessment set up by the Department of Religious Affairs.



DSI Launch Online Training Program on “Efficient Government Procurement in line with the Public Procurement and Supplies Administration Act, B.E. 2560 (2017)”



On Monday 30 January 2023, DSI Deputy Director-General Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen presided over the launch of an online training program on “Efficient Government Procurement in line with the

Public Procurement and Supplies Administration Act, B.E. 2560 (2017)”. The main objective of the training, as suggested in the reporting statement by Deputy Director of Development and Logistics Bureau Ms Sununta Hongprapat, is to equip DSI officers working in procurement with the knowledge and understandings in filling in data required by the Government Procurement System (e-marketplace and e-bidding), formulating procurement plans, and carrying out the specific method of procurement under the Public Procurement and Supplies Administration Act, B.E. 2560 (2017). Upon completion of the 3-day training

from 30 January to 1 February, all 118 participants are expected to effectively apply the knowledge obtained to their procurement practices.



DSI and multiple agencies to enhance crime scene investigation capabilities with geographic information system



On January 30, 2023, Mr. Pipat Penpak (Director of the Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center) chaired the opening ceremony of the Project to Enhance Crime Scene Investigation capabilities

with Geographic Information System (GIS) held at the DSI Academy. The Project, scheduled for January 30 – February 3, 2023, was organized by the Mapping and Geo-information Technology Division, Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center in collaboration with internal and external agencies adept at utilizing special tools, namely, the Bureau of Special Operations, the Bureau of Development and Logistics, Faculty members of the Royal Police Cadet Academy, the Central Institute of Forensic Science, Thai Sky Vision Company Limited, and S.D.M. Company Limited. The agencies jointly study, research,

develop, and exchange knowledge of special tool utilization by setting up simulations of traffic accident, hostage situation, and murder case to use unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) for aerial investigation, inaccessible area surveillance, aerial photography, mapping for strategic planning and 3D laser scanner. The information can be generated and analyzed for use as evidence in courts to prosecute offenders.



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February 2023

DSI and RLPD joins meeting to build understanding on Torture and Enforced Disappearance Act B.E. 2565 (2022)

Monday, February 6, B.E. 2566 (2023) the Director of Bureau of Security Crime Mr. Thawewat Surasit (assigned to represent the Director-General of the DSI) and Deputy Director-General of Rights and Liberties Protection Department



(RLPD) Mr. Kerdchoke Kasemwongjit jointly presided over the workshop on building up an understanding on the Torture and Enforced Disappearance Act B.E. 2565 (2022) and the procedural guideline of the DSI, as the aforesaid law will be enforced on February 22, B.E. 2566 (2023). This workshop was held at Magic 3 Venue, Miracle Grand Convention Hotel, Bangkok. The workshop included a lecture on the topic of “International Standard on Anti-torturing and enforced disappearance” by Emeritus Professor Vitit Muntarbhorn, the special representative and former independent expert on Human Rights of the United Nations. This workshop also included an academic forum on “Background and main points of the Torture and Enforced Disappearance Act B.E. 2565 (2022)” by Dr Namtaee Meeboonsalang (the Director of Research Institute for Developing Investigation and Prosecution, the Office of the Attorney-General) and Mrs. Thansuda Norkaew, the representative of International Human Rights Division, (RLPD). This workshop is useful for both agencies’ preparation and for strengthening the right knowledge and understanding of the special case inquiry officials, special case officers, and personnel of the DSI to be able to perform tasks according to the Tortured and Enforced Disappearance Act, B.E. 2565 (2022)

House Committee on Laws, Justice and Human Rights Visit DSI to Learn about DSI Criminal Investigation

On Monday 6 February 2023 at 13.15 hours, the House Committee on Laws, Justice and Human Rights paid a study visit to the Department of Special Investigation (DSI) Headquarters. The committee members were greeted by Deputy Permanent Secretary for Justice Ms Aranya Tongnumtago and DSI Deputy Director-General Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool.

On this occasion, committee members were briefed on DSI investigation efforts, including special investigation tools, special case investigation in southern border provinces and DNA sample collection in cooperation with the Central Institute of Forensic Science. The purpose of the House Committee's visit to DSI was to learn and share information and recommendations on national policies and directions regarding the reform of criminal justice system and human rights protection as well as DSI's roles in special case investigation.



DSI attended the 1st national conference on “Children in the Digital Age: Together for Safer Internet for Children in Thailand”

On February 8 and 9, 2023, Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol (Acting Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation) assigned Pol.Capt. Piya Raksakul (Deputy Director-General) and Pol.Capt. Khemachat Prakaihongmanee (Head of the Center for Countering Child Sexual Abuse) to attend the national conference on “Children in the Digital Age: Together for Safer Internet for Children in Thailand”, held at the Eastin Grand Hotel Sathorn, Bangkok chaired by Mr. Chuti Krairiksh (Minister of Social Development and Human Security).



The conference was the first national conference in which the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) partnered with the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security (MSDHS), the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society (MDES), the Child Online Protection Action Thailand (COPAT), the INTERPOL, the ECPAT International, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), the Internet Foundation for the Development of Thailand and other allied organizations, and an expert meeting on child protection hosting over 100 participants from international law enforcement agencies for the

goal of developing the National Strategy on Child Protection (2023-2027) that covers both online and offline environments.

In the morning of February 8, 2023, Pol.Capt. Piya Raksakul (Deputy Director-General) discussed with network members and international law enforcement agencies on the DSI's law enforcing roles under the Director-General's policies focusing on prevention and suppression of special cases with severe impacts and child abuse cases as one of the offences prioritized by the DSI.

Later in the afternoon, Pol.Capt. Khemachat Prakaihongmanee (Head of the Center for Countering Child Sexual Abuse) discussed the topic of “Online



Child Protection: Fixing the Legal Loopholes of Transnational Crime and Extraterritorial Cases” with representatives of international law enforcement agencies, namely, the INTERPOL, the Australian Federal Police (AFP), the United Nations

Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), and the Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime (GI), and presented the topic of “Thailand's Challenge and DSI's Roles in International Cooperation” to the countries/embassies to reinforce the law enforcement against online sexual exploitation and abuse of children, sourcing the information from the Disrupting Harm Report in Thailand, emphasizing Thai extraterritorial jurisdiction law that contains loopholes, particularly those relating to cybercrime affecting children.

Child sexual abuse cases is a serious and high-impact crime that the DSI prioritizes by not only investigating as special cases, but also preventing the occurrence of such crime as another measure for long-term efficient and effective special case prevention and suppression.

DSI Congratulated ISOC on 15th Anniversary

On Friday 17 February 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director-General of Central Institute of Forensic Science and Acting Director-General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI) presented a congratulatory bouquet to General Ukrit Boontanon, Secretary-General of the Internal Security Operations Command (ISOC) on the occasion of 15th anniversary of its founding.

The 15th Anniversary Celebration was held at ISOC Headquarters in Bangkok's Dusit District and presided over by Prime Minister and Minister of Defense General Prayut Chan-O-Cha, who also serves as ISOC Director.



March 2023

Opening Ceremony of Special Case Officer Training Course, Class 22



On March 1, 2023, at 09.00 a.m., Acting Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol presided over the Opening Ceremony of

22nd Class of Special Case Officer Training Course held at the Reception Room, 2nd Floor of the Rajaburi Direkridhhi Building (Building A), attended by DSI Executives and 60 participants. The training course, scheduled for March 1 – April 25, 2023, is to train and educate the newly appointed special case officers to acquire knowledge and understanding of their powers and duties and to be able to precisely and effectively perform their duties as prescribed and authorized by law.

Atchariya Thanked DSI Director-General for Anti-corruption Efforts



On Tuesday 7 March 2023 at 1120 hours at Department of Special Investigation (DSI) Headquarters, Mr. Atchariya Ruangrattanapong, Chairman of the Crime Victims Assistance Club, met with DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol to give words

of encouragement and appreciation for DSI's concrete efforts to counter internal corruption and its active responses to public complaints against corruption, as

well as its disciplinary actions against perpetrators. On this occasion, Mr. Atchariya also congratulated DSI Director-General on his appointment.

DSI Representatives attended International Women’s Day Celebration held at Australian Embassy and gave talk on use of online media and technological innovation to fight child sexual abuse

On March 8, 2023, Acting DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol assigned Head of the Center for Countering Child Sexual Abuse Police Captain Khemachart Prakyhongmanee and Deputy Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau Miss Arunsri Wichawut to attend International Women’s Day



Event hosted by the Australian Embassy and assigned Police Captain Khemachart Prakyhongmanee to represent DSI in a panel discussion on the subject of “DigitALL: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality”, on the occasion of International Women’s Day 2023. This panel discussion was held at the Australian Embassy and also attended by representatives from Australian Federal Police, Office of the Attorney General, Royal Thai Police and Mahidol University.

The DSI representative presented on the subjects of DSI and the use of technology (social media) to prevent and suppress the cases relating to sexual abuse, the use of innovation to protect women’s and children’s rights, for the purpose of preventing online sexual abuse and exploitation in which women and children were the victims, the human resources management with equality for gender diversity (LGBTQ+) in the Department of Special Investigation, regarding the opportunity for career growth, the recruitment based on personnel

administration standards which emphasize gender equality and are in line with the policy of DSI Director-General. The DSI representative also noted at the end of the discussion the duties and missions of the DSI Station and that the network is driven by its members, 90 percent of whom are women.



DSI's Director-General congratulates Department of Probation on its 31st anniversary



On March 15, 2023, Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol, Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), presented a congratulatory bouquet to congratulate the Department of Probation, on its 31st anniversary, with the theme “Towards the 4th decade, Protection of the public safety, facilitation of justice, happiness creation, prevention and improvement of an ex-convict’s quality of life, presenting an opportunity to integrate into society confidently with principle of law and innovation”. The bouquet was jointly received by Mrs. Tharinee Sangsawang, Pol.Lt.Col. Montree Bunyayothin, and Mrs. Nusara Wongsuwan Deputies Director-General of the Department of Probation at reception room, 2nd floor of the Rajaburi Direkridhhi Building, the Government Complex (building A).

DSI joined meeting and press conference on Emergency Decree on Online Crime



On 17 March 2023 at 10.00 am at the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society (MDES), DSI Deputy Director General Police Captain Piya Raksakul, assigned by Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, participated in a meeting and the following joint press conference with representatives from MDES, Royal Thai Police, Office of the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission, Bank of Thailand, Thai Bankers' Association and Anti-Money Laundering Office. The meeting and the press conference that followed was chaired by the Permanent Secretary for MDES.

The meeting focused on the enactment of an Emergency Decree to fight online crime. Setting out measures for prevention and suppression of cybercrime, the Emergency Decree is aimed at protecting innocent members of the public from fraud committed over the phone or electronic means, which has cost many victims several thousands, if not millions, of baht in damage. Published in the Royal Thai Government Gazette and in effect from 17 March 2023 onwards, the law is also intended to safeguard the nation's security, public safety and economic stability.

DSI Representative Talked about DSI's Efforts against Human Trafficking and Child Sexual Exploitation at International Seminar in Vũng Tàu, Vietnam

From 15 to 17 March 2023, Police Captain Khemachart Prakyhongmanee, Director of Child Sexual Exploitation Crime Center (CSECC), represented the Department of Special Investigation in the capacity building seminar on digital evidence collection for ASEAN law enforcement officers and gave a talk on DSI's efforts to counter child sexual exploitation using online media. The event was held in the city of Vũng Tàu, Vietnam by the ASEAN-Australia Counter Trafficking (ASEAN-ACT).

The ASEAN-ACT program is driven under the joint cooperation between the Governments of Thailand and Australia, to combat human trafficking in 7 countries over a 10-year period. Participants in this seminar were law enforcement officers working in countering human trafficking and child sexual exploitation from Vietnam and Australia, as well as experts in digital evidence collection from various countries. It is intended to enhance cooperation among ASEAN member countries in sharing information relating to digital evidence.

On 16 March 2023, Police Captain Khemachart gave a presentation on the role of DSI in fighting transnational crime (in particular, human trafficking and online child sexual exploitation) and its policy implementation, to share with international partners the DSI's efforts to investigate child sexual exploitation, which leads to the implementation of relevant policies at national and ASEAN regional levels.



Mekong-Australia Partnership on Transnational Crime Forum in Vientiane, Laos.

Director General of DSI, Pol. Maj. Suriya Singhakamol assigned Mr. Napol Woraprateep, Special Case Officer, Professional Level, Child Sexual Exploitation Crime Centre (CSECC) to participate in the meeting with Mekong-Australia Partnership on Transnational Crime Forum that was held by Australian Federal Police and A21 Foundation during 15 and 16 March 2023, in Vientiane, Laos, to foster regional cooperation between law enforcement agencies and civil-society organizations.

The meeting was attended by relevant departments including United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Australian Federal Police office in Yangon, Australian Federal Police office in Bangkok, Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation (ACCCE), Ministry of Interior of Laos, Cambodian National Police Authority, Department of Special Investigation (DSI), Royal Canadian Mounted Police Gendarmerie (RCMP), New Zealand Police, and Civil Society Organizations (CSO).

Also, the meeting discussed joint coordination efforts to combat transnational crime, where both representatives of DSI and Australian Federal Police brought up the parallel investigation within the operation “Blackwrist”, in which DSI was engaged from 2017 as an example. The operation demonstrated a close cooperation with Australian Federal Police and several international law enforcement agencies in the investigation and arrest of suspects of child sexual abuse in Thailand, Australia,



and the United States. At present, evidence is still found and is linked to other offenders within several countries.

This meeting allowed law enforcement agencies and civil society organizations to acknowledge the role of DSI including the suppression of child sexual abuse, to enhance DSI's public image, to protect children from sexual exploitation, and to create cooperation networks between government and private



sectors to suppress future transnational criminal threats that could strengthen the cooperation between law enforcement agencies and civil society organizations at the international level.

DSI hosted a Workshop on Enhancing Cooperation between DSI officers and representatives of the Foreign Anti-Narcotics and Crime Community of Thailand (FANC)

DSI Deputy Director General Police Captain Piya Raksakul presided over the Opening Ceremony of a Workshop on Enhancing Cooperation between DSI officers and representatives of the Foreign Anti-Narcotics and Crime Community of Thailand (FANC) hosted by Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau, at Sida Resort, Nakhon Nayok Province, from 16 to 17 March 2023 and gave a special talk on the topic of Directions in policy implementation in anti-transnational crime.

Acting Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau Mr. Somroek Tangkharawakhun, Director of Human Trafficking Bureau Police Major Siriwish Chantechasitkul, Director of Special Operations Bureau Police

Major Jatupol Bongkochmas and representative of Child Sexual Exploitation Crime Center (CSECC) Mr. Sompat Jaksomsak participated in presentations on the topics: the role of law enforcement officers in preventing and suppressing transnational crime, prevention of child sexual exploitation, human trafficking and the role of support agencies in special case proceedings. The 76 attendees included the DSI officers and the FANC officers (the officers from embassies of 11 countries). In this workshop, the attendees were separated into focus groups to discuss the assigned topics for the purpose of enhancing the effectiveness of proactive cooperation between agencies in anti-transnational crime.



Australian Federal Police Delegation paid a courtesy call on DSI Director General

On Friday 31 March 2023 at 11.00 am at the reception room of the Ratchaburidirekrit Building, Government Complex (Building A), the Australian Federal Police delegation (Federal Agent Peter Sykora, Federal Agent Paul Hopkins and Digital Forensic Specialist Mr.Lindsey Swan) from the AFP Bangkok Office paid a courtesy call on Police Major Suriya Singhakamol on the occasion of his formal appointment as Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI).

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Among the DSI participants were DSI Deputy Director General Police Captain Piya Raksakul, Acting Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Mr. Somroek Tangkharawakhun and Deputy Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Ms Arunsri Wichawut.



During this visit, both sides also discussed about opportunities to advance the longstanding cooperation between AFP and DSI, especially in combating the ever-intensifying threat of cybercrime. In this regard, the posting of AFP Digital Forensic Specialist to Thailand will therefore lead to a great opportunity for both agencies to work together in the form of training and knowledge sharing to further the capacity building efforts for law enforcement officers.

On this occasion, the DSI Director General extended an invitation to the AFP delegation to visit the DSI Academy and pledged his support for future training to be organized by the Australian Federal Police.



DSI welcomed the Indonesian LPSK Delegation's study visit on DSI witness protection

On March 31, 2023, the DSI's Director of Special Operations Bureau Police Major Jatupol Bongkochmas, Head of Witness Protection Division Mr. Raksapol Panchart and his officers welcomed the study visit of the Witness and Victim Protection Agency of Indonesia (LPSK), led by Deputy Chairperson Ms. Susilaningtias, to learn about, exchange and discuss the best practices on witness protection and victim assistance in order to enhance each other's capability in providing protection and assistance to witnesses and victims and to discuss the future coordination and cooperation between the two agencies.



April 2023

Ambassador of Denmark to Thailand meets executives of intellectual property crime bureau to discuss infringement of intellectual property rights in Thailand

On Tuesday, April 4, 2023 at 10.00 AM. at meeting room 3, 1st floor of the Department of Special Investigation's building, the Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI) Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol



welcomed His Excellency Jon Thorgaard, the Danish Ambassador to Thailand, Miss Nantima Angkatavanich, Senior Trade Advisor of the Embassy of Denmark, and legal officer from Rouse & Co International (Thailand) Ltd. to the meeting for discussion on infringement of intellectual property rights in Thailand. The meeting was joined by the Director of Bureau of Intellectual Property Crime Pol.Capt. Polson Terdsanguan, Deputy Director Mr. Thongchai Sombutjiraporn, and head of intellectual property crime division 3 Pol.Maj Stapong Chuamahawan, along with executives of the Bureau of Intellectual Property Crime and relevant officers of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime. The meeting was held to discuss infringement of intellectual property rights in Thailand and follow-up the result of the meeting between officers from Intellectual Property Crime Bureau and officers from Embassy of Denmark on infringement of intellectual property rights of Danish products in Thailand, on which both sides had worked together about 2 years ago.

DSI joins hands with DNP through MOU on combating offences relating to natural resources and environment, focusing on exchanging experts and sharing information

On Wednesday 5 April 2023 at 1400 hours at the DSI reception room, on 2nd floor of Government Complex (Building A), the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), Ministry of Justice, by Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol and the Department of National Parks, Wildlife and Plant Conservation (DNP), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, by Mr. Attapol Charoenchansa (Director General of the Department of Marine and Coastal Resources and Acting Director General of DNP) signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Cooperation in Prevention and Suppression of Offences relating to Natural Resources and Environment.

In the presence of DSI Deputy Director General Police Captain Piya Raksakul and DNP Deputy Director General Mr. Narin Prathuanchai as witnesses, the signing of this MOU is intended to strengthen cooperation and reinforce efforts to take criminal



proceedings as a special case against the offences relating to natural resources and environment as well as improve the management of exhibits from such cases for the purpose of effective law enforcement.

To this end, the MOU outlines the following cooperation framework:

1. facilitating cooperation in criminal proceedings against violations of the law on national parks, the law on wildlife protection and conservation, and other relevant laws

2. promoting the sharing, storing and use of information aiding both agencies in the investigation or the prevention and suppression of offences relating to natural resources and environment committed in forest reserves and other areas

3. ensuring the maintenance and management of exhibits is in compliance with relevant laws/regulations

4. encouraging skilled and knowledgeable officers to join the efforts to combat offences relating to natural resources and environment

5. focusing on participation in improving law enforcement capabilities, advancing investigation technologies, making useful tools available for efficient investigation, jointly exploring cooperation prospects with the Civil Society, and encouraging constructive activities to prevent encroachment and destruction of forest reserves and other areas



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DSI Director General held press conference on DSI achievements since taking office on 18 January 2023, with investigation completed and significant progress made in 39 cases and over 9,500 million baht of assets recovered

On Monday 10 April 2023 at 13.30 hours at DSI Reception Room, Rajaburidirekkriddhi Building, Government Complex on Chaengwattana Road, DSI Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol held a press conference of DSI achievements. Also present during the press conference were his Deputies Director General Police Major Yuthana Praedam, Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen, Police Captain Piya Raksakul and Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool, as well as heads of investigation bureaus and centers. This event was held to reiterate the Director General's policy guidelines for DSI officers to perform their law enforcement duties and investigate special cases with efficiency, speediness, transparency and compliance with the law, to accelerate their efforts to arrest offenders under arrest warrants in special cases to bring them to justice, and to stand ready to be examined on all aspects of their



performance of duties with regular communication to the public in order to promote the organization image. The period from 18 January to 5 April 2023 has seen DSI's investigation completed and significant progress made in 39 cases, which can be classified into 4

main groups:

1. Economic Crime Of 10 cases in total, the highlights are as follows:

- Customs Duty Evasion

Case involving 498 NGV buses imported with false declaration of country of origin (value of tax recovered: 2,180,000,000 baht)

- Pyramid scheme
- Criminal proceedings against 16 individuals in connection with FOREX 3D scam
- Case involving deception to invest in sport arbitrage business (total damage: 2,668,000,000 baht)
- Money Laundering (Assets total 3,375,000,000 baht)
- Case of money laundering by executives of Chulalongkorn University Savings Cooperative depositing and lending money to Mongkol Sethi Credit Union Cooperative
- Case involving a group of individuals making financial transactions at the volume unusually high and inconsistent with their income, with the source of income being unknown, which might be related to narcotics offences or online gambling
- Case of money laundering in connection with the predicate offence of investment fraud committed by System Plug and Play Company and accomplices

Case of money laundering in connection with the predicate offence of investment fraud by deception to invest in non-existent automobile business

(Total assets involved: 3,375,000,000 baht)

- Offences under Currency Exchange Law

Case involving a conspiracy to direct 13 juristic persons to deceitfully obtain loans from a bank and transfer the money in USD to bank accounts in Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and the Republic of Singapore

(Total damage: 826,000,000 baht)

2. Cyber and Intellectual Property Crime (3 cases in total)

- Trademark infringements
- Case of Facebook page “กระเป๋าน้ำ Babybag store” selling, offering for sale and having in possession for sale bags bearing counterfeit trademarks
- Case of individuals at Rong Kluea market, in Nakhon Nayok Province, ” selling, offering for sale and having in possession for sale bags and other goods bearing counterfeit trademarks
(value of exhibits: 24,000,000 baht)
- Products without required certifications from the Thai Industrial standards Institute and the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission)
- Case involving foreigners and Thai people illegally importing and selling 17,900 electronic devices (cellphones, tablets, electronics, cosmetics) via online platforms and applications without required certifications from the Thai Industrial standards Institute and the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission

(Total damage: over 23,000,000 baht)

3. Consumer Protection and Environment Crime Of 19 cases in total, the highlights are as follows:

- Illegal issuance of title deeds and encroachment of forest reserves/public land
- Case involving Illegal issuance of title deeds and encroachment of forest reserves at Pa Ao Nang and Pa Hang Nak in Krabi Province
- Case involving Illegal issuance of title deeds by Nicky Beach Hotel in Phuket and encroachment of public land at Le Pang Beach

(Total area: 97 rai, 3 ngan, 10 square wa / total damage: 342,212,500 baht)

4. Transnational and Special Crime Of 7 cases in total, the highlights are as follows:

- Corruption/official misconduct
- Corruption and embezzlement at Krabi Palm Oil Cooperative
- Overtime fraud by staff of Port Authority of Thailand and use of fraudulent documents in a lawsuit filed with the Labor court
- Corruption in the construction of 163 Police Flats (total value of 3,710 million baht). DSI has submitted investigation files to the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) on 23 April 2013, and on 30 March 2023 the Central Corruption Court sentenced ex-police officers to imprisonment for official misconduct
- Accusation against government officials of illegally issuing title deeds to Akara Resources Public Company Limited. On 17 March 2023, the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) had a resolution that the accused committed offences under Sections 151 and 157 of the Penal Code and gross disciplinary offences. At the same time, NACC also had a resolution that those involved as facilitators under the Penal Code
- Human Trafficking and sexual offences

- Online human trafficking network operating nationwide
- Case involving the request from Anti-Human Trafficking Division of the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security for DSI to investigate a restaurant offering prostitution in Nakhon Sawan

Apart from its law enforcement efforts, the Department of Special Investigation takes steps to prevent special crimes by promoting public participation and empowering communities for self-defense against crimes – through “DSI Station” citizen participatory initiative, with 28 learning centers in Thailand and 9 centers overseas.

Also, to widen access to justice, DSI implements the “Restorative Justice” policy to solve and alleviate the sufferings by members of the public, especially with human and community rights. A few shining examples are the success in solving the upstream land disputes at Yang of Pua District in Nan, and the joint operation with Phuket Province to recover the Leping-Layan beachfront.

As a result of DSI’s active investigation and law enforcement to prevent and suppress special crimes from 18 January to 5 April 2023, a total of 9,541,936,056.92 baht could successfully be recovered to the State, the Private Sector and the general public.



DSI Director General and Director of Anti-Illegal Money Lending Center gave live interview on ThaiPBS TV channel

On Tuesday 11 April 2023 at 14.00 hours, DSI Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, together with Mr Angsuket Visuthvattanasak Director of Center for Countering Illegal Money Lending and Promoting Access to Justice, gave a live interview on the Thai PBS People's Station Program on DSI's joint efforts with relevant agencies to solve land problems faced by residents in Doi Pukha forest reserve and national park in Nan Province.

This follows DSI's field visit to the area to promote community rights by retrieving Nan's upstream forest land and handing over terraced farmland to residents of Ban Khungun, Phuka Subdistrict, Pua District of Nan Province, and additional farmland to residents of Ban Panyang, Phuka Subdistrict, Pua District of Nan Province.



DSI to advance its cooperation with the Australian Federal Police on the occasion of the visit to the DSI Academy as well as the Flagship Course to enhance the competencies of the DSI officers and officers of law enforcement agencies working under the Special Case Investigation Act, to be prepared for countering threats from special crime

On April 18th, 2023, DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol assigned DSI Academy Director Police Captain Tinawut Silapat

and Head of Foreign Affairs and International Relations Division, Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Mr. Udomkaan Warotamasikkhadit to welcome Australian Federal Police (AFP) Commander Asia Mr. Peter Sykora and the delegation to DSI Academy, Nong Chok District, Bangkok.

The DSI Academy Director led the tour of the Academy, introduced the Academy's Mission and discussed the guidelines for cooperation in providing Flagship Course in the form of a working group. The course emphasizes the enhancement of job specific skills based on international standard to expand knowledge in various fields by sharing best practices critical to Special Case Management. The aim of providing the course is to improve the competencies of the DSI officers and the officers of law enforcement agencies who participate in joint operations under the Special Case Investigation Act, to be prepared for countering threats from special crimes such as cyber-crime, economic crime, and drug trafficking, etc.



The visit to the DSI Academy of the AFP is to build operational networks between the two agencies and other relevant agencies both domestically and internationally with the future goal of extending the network to cover law enforcement agencies in the Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS) to efficiently cooperate in prevention and suppression of special crime in the age of globalization.

DSI congratulated the Court of Justice on the 141st anniversary of its founding



On April 21, 2023, Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol, Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned DSI Spokesperson, Mrs. Pitchaya Tharakornsunti, together with Ms. Pittayaporn Choorat (Deputy Spokesperson) and Mrs. Nonnatee

Tokiew (Acting Public Relations Director) to congratulate the Court of Justice on its 141st founding anniversary. The DSI representatives were welcomed by Mr. Teerasak Ngeyvijit, the Secretary General of the office of the Judiciary, and Mr. Sorawit Limparangsri, the Court of Justice Spokesperson. The congratulatory bouquet was received by the Secretary General at the office of the Judiciary, Ratchadapisek rd.



Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), chaired executive meeting no. 4/2566, focusing on “NO Gift Policy” and its compliance by not accepting any gifts for the performance of duty

On April 20, 2023, at 1:30 pm. at the meeting room, 1st floor of the DSI headquarters, DSI Director General, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol chaired the executive meeting no. 4/2566. During the meeting, the Director General set out a key policy and its compliance for his executives, launching the culture of “NO Gift Policy” by not accepting any gifts for the performance of duty. Corruption is viewed as a major issue that should be dealt with promptly. In order to strengthen morality, ethics, and honesty, DSI officials adhere to the department's values “Dignity, Specialty, Integrity”, as well as declare common intention on fighting all forms of corruption.

DSI officials are urged not to claim nor to accept all kinds of gifts for the performance of duty. “NO Gift Policy” aims to prevent an unfair performance of duty and a conflict of interests. All executives are required to strictly follow the policy, and ensure that officials under their own command strictly follow the given policy.



Mr. Janne Pentti, Chief Superintendent of the National Bureau of Investigation, National Police Board, from the Finnish Police Authority paid a courtesy visit on the DSI Director General

On Tuesday, 25th April, 2023, 09:00 am. at the meeting room, 1st floor of the DSI headquarters. Mr. Janne Pentti, Chief Superintendent of the National Bureau of Investigation, National Police Board from the Finnish Police Authority and his delegation paid a courtesy visit on Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI). Also present at the call were Police Captain Piya Raksakul, DSI Deputy Director General, Police Major Siriwish Chantechasitkul, Director of Human Trafficking Bureau, Mr. Somroek Tangkharawakhun, Acting Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau, and other relevant officers.

The purpose of this visit was to show appreciation for the joint investigation through the request for mutual legal assistance in criminal matters with good assistance from internal departments of DSI, including the Bureau of Human



Trafficking, and the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, as well as to discuss about setting up the joint investigation team with DSI in order to improve the efficiency of further investigation cooperation.



Closing Ceremony of Special Case Officer Training Course, Class 22

On April 25, 2023, DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol presided over the Closing Ceremony of 22nd Class of Special Case Officer Training Course held at the Reception Room, 2nd Floor of the Rajaburi Direkridhhi Building (Building A), Chaeng Watthana Road, Lak Si District, Bangkok.

The training course, scheduled for March 1 – April 25, 2023 and held by DSI Academy, Department of Special Investigation, is aimed at training and educating the newly appointed special case officers to acquire knowledge and understanding of their powers and duties and to be able to precisely and effectively perform their duties under principles of morality, ethics and human rights as well as relevant laws.



May 2023

Employees of the Port Authority of Thailand expressed their gratitude to the Director-General

Today (May 1, 2023), Mr. Kritsada Inthamara, an attorney, accompanied by over 100 employees of the Port Authority of Thailand (PAT) gave a flower bouquet and expressed their gratitude to Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol (Director-General), Pol.Capt. Wisanu Chimtrakool (Deputy Director-General), and Pol.Capt. Surawoot Rungsai (Director of Government Procurement Fraud Bureau) for working on their case in accordance with the evidence and providing fairness for the PAT employees.



The PAT employees requested the DSI to investigate into the corruption case of wrongful disbursement of overtime pay, holiday pay, holiday overtime pay for the PAT employees, then such corrupted disbursement

documents were used to file lawsuits with the Central Labour Court to claim additional payments for the duration of 2002-2012. The Board of Special Case Meeting no.6/2556, on December 17, 2013, passed its resolution to accept the case as special case no. 4/2557. The DSI's investigation discovered convincing evidence that 37 alleged offenders (36 PAT executives and employees and 1 attorney) jointly carried out wrongful disbursement of overtime pay, holiday pay, holiday overtime pay by collaborating in producing disbursement documents for overtime pay, holiday pay, holiday overtime pay, regarded as the offence of “jointly being officials having the duty of making documents, receiving

documents, or filling the contents of documents and exercising their duties in false documents, the offence of jointly being officials, wrongfully exercising or not exercising any of their functions or dishonestly exercising or omitting to exercise any of their functions, and the offence of causing others to give false evidence to the Court in the judicial proceedings and adducing or producing false evidence in judicial proceedings”.

The DSI commits itself to preventing and suppressing wrongful acts regarded as special case and enhancing justice for people for their legal fairness.

DSI Director General visited Special Case Operations Center Region 6 (Phitsanulok Province)

On Tuesday 2 May 2023, DSI Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol made an inspection visit to DSI’s Special Case Operations Center Region 6 (Phitsanulok Province). During the visit, the DSI Director General was greeted and briefed on the center’s operations in the area of responsibility by Mrs Jeerapha Patraruangchi, Head of Special Case Operations Center Region 6, along with its officers and staff members. On this occasion, Police Major Suriya also boosted the morale of all the officers and reiterated the need to “maintain transparency and integrity, expedite law enforcement efforts, and foster public confidence (towards DSI)”.



DSI Cautions against FOREX Investment Fraud

The Department of Special Investigation has received reports from the public regarding a case in which they were lured to invest in forex copy trading, with training provided to interested individuals at various locations to encourage investment in stocks through the “World Class Financial” broker. They claimed that investing would guarantee profits and could be withdrawn daily. However, after investing, they were unable to withdraw their money and when the victims asked about withdrawing their money or profits received, they received an automatic response from LINE official accounts: DB copy trade and wcf Thailand, and were unable to withdraw their money even after several months.

The Department of Special Investigation would like to inform the public that regarding investment in foreign currency trading, the Bank of Thailand has issued Announcement No. 51/2562



dated 24 September 2019 to warn against advertising through websites and social media that invites the public to invest in foreign currency trading (FOREX or FX) with a promise of high returns. The public has been warned to be cautious and not to believe in such persuasions. Under the law on exchange control, transactions involving foreign currency must be made with a licensed entity authorized by the Minister of Finance, such as commercial banks or securities companies. Members of the public can consult the list of licensed entities on the Bank of Thailand’s website (www.bot.or.th). The Bank of Thailand has never issued licenses to entities other than banks and securities companies to trade or exchange foreign currency over the Internet. If anyone provides such services in Thailand, it is a violation of exchange control law, and the Bank of Thailand does not allow

outbound foreign remittance to pay for FOREX transactions on foreign websites. Violations shall constitute an offence under the law on exchange control, and persons who persuade or advertise invitations to the public to trade foreign currency without a license may be subject to violations of the law on borrowings which are regarded as public cheating and fraud. The Department of Special Investigation would therefore once again caution the public against such practice and will conduct further investigation.

DSI Congratulated Public Relations Dept. on 90th Anniversary



On Wednesday 3 May 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Ms. Pitchaya Tharakornsunti, the DSI spokesperson, along with Ms. Pittayaporn Choorat, the DSI Deputy

Spokesperson, as his representatives to present a donation to the Department of Public Relations for use in public benefit activities on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of the establishment of the Department of Public Relations. Ms. Pichaya Muangnao, the Deputy Director-General of the Department of Public Relations, received the donation on behalf of the department at its headquarters on Ariyasamphan Road, Phaya Thai District, Bangkok.

DSI launched home-based “English Language Training” program for DSI officers

On Wednesday 3 May 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned DSI Deputy Director-General Police Captain Piya Raksakul to chair the opening

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ceremony of the “English Language Training” program, organized with support from the Australian Border Force (ABF) Office at the Australian Embassy in Thailand.

In attendance at the opening ceremony were Commander Michael Cymbalista, Counsellor (Mekong) from the Australian Border Force (ABF), Mr. John Tyler, Manager of the RMIT Language Institute, and 33 DSI officers who will participate in the training program from May to September 2023, at DSI training room, 7th floor of Building A, Government Complex.



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DSI rescued child victim of illegal surrogacy, obtained court's arrest warrants against alleged offenders



On 5 May 2023, DSI Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol and Deputy Director General Police Captain Piya Raksakul assigned Acting Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Mr Somroek Tangkharawakhun and Deputy Director of Foreign

Affairs and Transnational Crime Ms Arunsri Wichawut (Head of the Investigation team for Special Case No. 236/2565) to rescue a child believed to have been born through illegal surrogacy. This was a joint operation with Samut Prakarn and Bangkok Shelters for Children and Families, Samut Prakarn Police, and Bang Phlat Police, aimed at providing the child victim with assistance and welfare protection.

This successful joint rescue operation resulted from DSI's endeavor to expand the scope of its investigation into Special Case No. 236/2565, which involves a criminal network procuring a Thai woman in



Nong Khai Province for illegal surrogacy for a foreign client, with characteristics of transnational organized crime. The surrogate child (known under the

pseudonym Tanthai) was being kept by a group of individuals at locations in Samut Prakarn Province and Bangkok.

The Criminal Court has issued arrest warrants against two individuals involved in this case, and the DSI investigation team is expanding its investigation to further take legal proceedings against foreigners connected with the transnational organized crime syndicate, which procures Thai women for illegal surrogacy.

DSI Deputy Director General attended meeting and press conference on progress made in line with the law against cybercrime

On 8 May 2023, DSI Deputy Director General Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen represented the DSI Director General in the 1st meeting of the Committee on Cyber Crime Prevention and Suppression (meeting no. 1/2566). The objectives of



the committee were to identify guidelines for cyber crime prevention and suppression, to provide recommendations on reasonable suspicion in accordance with the Emergency Decree on Cyber Crime Prevention and Suppression, B.E. 2566 (2023), and to offer suggestions and counselling regarding the compliance by officials of state and relevant agencies with this Emergency Decree.

The committee executive members consist of Minister of Digital Economy and Society Mr Chaiwut Thanakamanusorn as Chairperson, and his Permanent Secretary Professor Wisit Wisitsora-at and Police Commissioner General Pol Gen Damrongsak Kittiprapas as Vice Chairpersons.

Following the meeting, the DSI Deputy Director General joined the press conference by Minister Chaiwut Thanakamanusorn to update on progress made in relation to the Emergency Decree on Cyber Crime Prevention and Suppression at the Ministry of Digital Economy and Society (MDES) meeting room 1, 9th floor of the Office of the Permanent Secretary for MDES, at the Government Complex (Ratthaprasasanabhakti Building), Chaeng-wattana Road, Laksi, Bangkok.

DSI, TIJ, UNODC met to discuss curriculum development and capacity building



On May 8th, 2023, Police Captain Tinawut Silapat, the Director of DSI Academy, and his team in charge of curriculum development were invited by the Thailand Institute of Justice (TIJ) to meet with Ms. Anna Giudice, the Head of Access to Justice of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), who was attending the Regional Workshop on Investigative Interviewing. During the meeting, both parties exchanged ideas on collaboration between the UNODC, TIJ, and DSI Academy on curriculum development and capacity building through training programs in various areas. The representative from UNODC pledged support to DSI, with TIJ as the key player in pushing forward the initiative. The parties agreed to start with exchanging relevant information, conducting a SWOT analysis, setting goals and objectives for the curriculum, and drafting training programs for special case inquiry officials and for special case officers to enhance the professional skills of DSI personnel in investigation, build professionalism and expertise in investigation to respond to

threats of special crime in the borderless digital age, and to raise the standard of DSI Academy's curriculum development to an international level.

DSI Director General delivered opening remarks at Regional Workshop on Investigative Interviewing

On May 9th, 2023, at Learning Studio 1, 1st Floor, Thailand Institute of Justice (Public Organization) or TIJ, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), joined other executives in delivering an opening remark at the Regional Workshop on Investigative Interviewing. Also joining the DSI Director General were TIJ Executive Director Dr. Phiset Sa-ardyen, Ms. Julien Garsany from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Norwegian Ambassador to Thailand Ms. Astrid Emilie Helle, and Police Colonel Peerawut Parisnarun from the Royal Thai Police.

This workshop is co-organized by the Thailand Institute of Justice (Public



Organization), the UNODC , and the Norwegian Center for Human Rights, with the aim of encouraging the exchange of knowledge on human rights-based interviewing methods for investigating crime among law enforcement experts in Southeast Asia and the Pacific. The

Department of Special Investigation has organized training programs for its officials in human rights-based interviewing techniques, with continuous support from the Thailand Institute of Justice.

DSI held CSR Project “Plant, Place, Preserve” Mangrove Forest

On Wednesday 10 May 2023, at Mahachai East Coast Natural Resources and Environment Conservation and Rehabilitation Learning and Practice Center, Khok Kham Subdistrict, Mueang Samut Sakhon District, Samut Sakhon Province, DSI Deputy Director General



Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen presided over and participated in DSI project “Plant, Place, Preserve” the Mangrove Forest, as assigned by DSI Director General, (on the occasion of National Tree Day 2023), which is in accordance with the Cabinet resolution dated 31 January 1989, prescribing that Vesakha Bucha Day of every year shall be National Tree Day). Secretary of the Department Police Captain Thad Loutavee delivered a reporting statement that the project is DSI’s public-benefit activity for society and the environment, which leads to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and forms a key part of volunteer activities of the DSI in 2023. The project was held by Public Relations Division, Office of the Secretary for the purpose of encouraging DSI government officials and officers to take part in social and environmental benefit activities according to good governance principle for sustainability and to recognize and treasure forest resources. There were 73 DSI officials and officers participating in the project and jointly planting 500 Mangroves as an activity to prevent coastal erosion, increase marine ecosystem for aquatic animals and to be the source of food and income for inhabitants and fishermen. In addition, the participants learned the benefits of mangrove forest planting from the lecturer Mr. Narin Boonruam, an officer of the Center.

Criminal Court sentenced the accused in Mae Manee Pyramid Scheme to 12,640 years' imprisonment

Reference is made to the DSI's investigation into Special Case No. 150/2562, in which Wantanee Tippaveth and accomplices (totaling 9 persons) conspired to deceive the public via social media into investing in the "Mae Manee" Ponzi scheme with a promise of combined principal and interest payment of 1,930 baht for every 1,000 baht invested for 9 months. The promised rate was higher than the highest interest rate to be paid by the financial institution under the law. The offering of such investment plan and return was merely a scam and false statement. In fact, Wantanee and her accomplices did not provide savings or investment services which yield sufficient returns to be paid to investors at the advertised rate. Their act cost 2,533 victims a total of 1,376,215,359 baht in damage, and constituted offences of conspiring to commit a pyramid scheme, conspiring to commit public fraud and conspiring to enter false information into the computer system. The special case inquiry officials had submitted the inquiry file to the public prosecutor, who later issued a prosecution order against Wantanee Tippaveth and accomplices (9 persons in total) as the accused at the Criminal Court in the black case no. 167/2563.

On 10 May 2023, the Criminal Court convicted Wantanee Tippaveth (the accused no. 1) and Methee Chinnapa (the accused no. 2) of the charges committed in the manner of several distinct and different offences, and inflicted upon the accused the punishment for the offence of borrowings which are regarded as public cheating and fraud, which carries the heaviest penalty, sentencing the accused to 5 years' imprisonment for each of the 2,528 counts (totaling 12,640 years). Given that the accused confessed to the crime, the sentence was reduced by half to 5,056 years and 15,168 months. However, as both of the accused committed several distinct and different offences, the total punishment of every count of offence must not exceed 20 years' imprisonment in accordance with Section 91 (2) of the Penal Code.

Both of the accused were sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment and ordered to compensate the victims with the damages plus interest. The accused no. 3 – 9 were acquitted due to the lack of implicating evidence.

DSI offers an opportunity to the public to provide clues, file complaints and follow up on the progress through any provided channel and emphasizes that every complaint will be taken into consideration and processed free of charge within the scope of its power and duty

On Tuesday 16 May 2023, a group of over 100 people came to the Department of Special Investigation on Chaeng Wattana Road, Bangkok, and requested to meet with DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol to file a complaint regarding their sufferings and to encourage DSI officers who effectively and impartially performed their duties on investigation and inquiry under their authority and duties, which builds confidence in people regarding the work process of the DSI.

In the first case, the Swine Raisers Association of Thailand along with Mr. Atchariya Ruangrattanapong, Chairman of the Crime Victims Assistance Club and the swine raisers from every region who suffered from the smuggling of pork operated by an organized crime syndicate, filed a complaint letter with DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol and the Director of Bureau of Tax Crime Mr. Tanin Prempree, requesting DSI to look into the case and accept it as a special case. The complainants also provided relevant preliminary information and evidence in the complaint letter.



A swine raiser group stated that the pork at issue originates from foreign countries, such as Brazil, Argentina, Germany and the United States of America, etc., and is imported into the kingdom through various customs houses with

false declaration of product types in order to avoid customs duties. The practice causes the cost of the pork to be almost 50% lower than the one raised and sold in the country, which has had an effect on domestic swine raisers, as they are unable to sell pork in the price based on market mechanism and these swine raisers suffered from a drastic decrease by 30-40% of their income. In this regard, if the government sector could not find a solution to this problem, it will be a long-term problem and might expand into other agriculturist groups, such as agronomy which is the source of raw materials for swine/pig feed. In smuggling the pork, it was assumed that there were more than 50 accomplices including public officers, transport companies and other relevant persons jointly committing the offence as an organized syndicate. It was found that false product type has been declared since around 2022, causing the government to encounter the lost revenues of more than 4,000 million baht from tax collection. The complainants had filed complaints with other relevant agencies before coming to the DSI, yet the results are still pending. Therefore, the complainants requested DSI to look into the case and accept it as a special case.

In the second case, a group of victims in the case concerning the New Concept Property Company Limited persuading the public to buy condominium units in the area of Chiang Mai Province and other relevant areas met with the DSI Director-General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director of Bureau

of Financial-Banking Crimes and Money Laundering Police Lieutenant Colonel Jukkrit Visetketgarn and his Deputy Director Mr. Rawee Acksonsiri, to inquire about the process and progress regarding the civil actions in the money laundering case and the overall image of the progress of such case as well as to commend DSI special case inquiry officials for their commitment in performing duties to protect the rights of the victims.

This case is in response to the incident that the victims invested in purchasing condominium units from the New Concept Property Company Limited claiming that they had 12 projects in the vicinity of Chiang Mai Province and other provinces



but failed to do as advertised. More than 2,000 individuals became injured persons and lost at least 2,000 million baht. The DSI then investigated and seized both movable and immovable properties with its total exceeding 1,000 million baht. The properties related to the commission of such offence were, in some parts, transferred to Anti-Money Laundering Office for further actions under its power and duty for victims' rights protection. The DSI Director General, after hearing the victims of both cases, acknowledged every aspect of the problems. Any complaint filed with the DSI will be prioritized and urgently taken into consideration under the scope of the DSI's power and duty regardless the channels the complaint was filed to. The Director-General also appreciated the trust that people have towards the work performance of the DSI.

DSI offers an opportunity to people to provide clues, file complaints and follow up on the progress through any channel provided. Members of the public can come in person or call 0-2831-9888 or DSI Hotline 1202 (during official hours) or email dsi@dsi.go.th (free of charge).

DSI met with Swedish Police and Nordic Police Liaison Officers to Fight against Human Trafficking

On May 18, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., Swedish National Rapporteur on Trafficking in Human Beings Ms. Janna Davidson led a 7-member delegation from the Swedish police and the Nordic Customs and Police Cooperation liaison officers to the Department of Special Investigation to participate in a meeting with Police Major Siriwish Chantechasitkul, Director of Human Trafficking Bureau, Department of Special Investigation, and relevant officers. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss law enforcement cooperation and exchange information regarding the investigation into human trafficking cases, as well as to strengthen cooperation between the two countries in preventing and addressing human trafficking issues in the future.



Malaysian National Anti-Financial Crime Centre paid a visit to DSI Deputy Director-General

On May 30, 2023, from 09.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., at Meeting Room 1 on the first floor of the DSI Headquarters, Pol.Maj. Suriya Singhakamol (Director-General) assigned Pol.Capt. Piya Raksakul (Deputy Director-General), accompanied by Mr. Somroek Tangkharawakhun (Acting Director of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime), Ms. Klairoong Ngamprasertpong (Deputy Director of the Bureau of Financial-Banking Crimes and Money

Laundering) and relevant officials to welcome Dato' Seri Haji Mustafar bin Haji Ali, Director-General of the National Anti-Financial Crime Centre-(NFCC) of Malaysia and the NFCC delegation who paid an official visit to Thailand. The two agencies discussed the guidelines for developing cooperation in preventing financial scams with NFCC's aims to develop cooperation in joint operations and support in combatting Malaysian fraud cases with partner agencies in Thailand.

The NFCC proposed the “Letter of Understanding on Collaboration between The National Anti-Financial Crime Centre (NFCC) Malaysia and The Department of Special Investigation (DSI) Thailand”, of which the DSI approved. The Drafting of Letter of Understanding is currently under way for the more flexible coordination and information exchanges between the two agencies.

This is NFCC delegation's third visit to the DSI, while the delegation paid 2 visits to the DSI in 2022. The NFCC Director-General also invited the DSI to visit the NFCC Headquarters in Kuala Lumpur to observe the NFCC operation center hosting the National Financial Crime Intelligence System (NFIS) for the benefits of coordination in reinforcing the financial crime suppressing capabilities, reducing threats of illegal acts, money laundering, and other relevant crimes.



June 2023

DSI representative briefed Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) delegation on the study visit on public security and safety from a global perspective



On June 6, 2023 at 9:00 - 10:00 a.m., Pol Maj Yuthana Praedam, Deputy Director General of Department of Special Investigation, assigned Mr. Somroek Tangkharawakhun, Deputy Director of Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, Acting

Director of Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, as a representative of Department of Special Investigation to welcome and brief the Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS) delegation, consisting of 15 students and 2 staff members, on the topic of “Public Security and Safety from a Global Perspective” at the Ministry of Justice Meeting Room 10-01, Ministry of Justice, with Pol. Lt.Col. Prawut Wongsinin, Deputy Permanent Secretary for Justice, presiding over the event.

Mr. Somroek shared DSI's views with the visiting group on the following points: (1) The scope of performance, mission, and authority of Department of Special Investigation (2) Current public security and safety challenges faced by



Department of Special Investigation and future trends and (3) Good practices

used by the Department of Special Investigation to address public security and safety challenges.

The study visit has the objective of enabling students to interact and learn from Thai justice practitioners about addressing issues or specific challenges of Thailand, including the enhancement of cross-cultural understanding in justice administration.

DSI attended the “Kittiyakorn Day” ceremony

On June 8, 2023 at 07:00 a.m., Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Mr. Kriengkrai Suebsumpan, the Director of Bureau of Policy and Strategy and government officials of Department of Special Investigation, to represent DSI at the flower pedestal tray offering ceremony on “Kittiyakorn Day”, the birthday of His Royal Highness Prince Kitiyakara Voralaksana, the 1st Prince of Chanthaburi, at Monument of His Royal Highness Prince Kitiyakara Voralaksana, Ministry of Commerce, Nonthaburi.



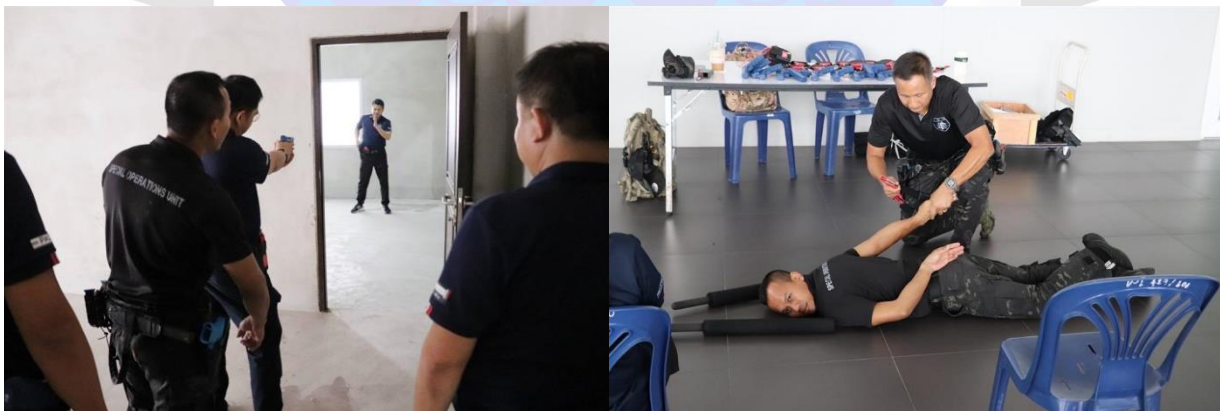
DSI trained “Firearm Safety” and “Hand-to-Hand Combat” to Office of the Public Sector Anti-Corruption Commission (PACC)

On Thursday 8 June, 2023 at 09:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Pol Maj Yuthana Praedam, Deputy Director General of Department of Special Investigation, assigned DSI Academy Director Police Captain Tinawut Silapat to welcome 12



personnel of Office of the Public Sector Anti-Corruption Commission (PACC) in the training course “PACC Officials Level 2”, batch 4 for the subjects of “Firearm Safety” and “Hand-to-Hand Combat”, at Shooting Training Building and Close Quarter Battle Building of DSI Academy, Nong Chok District, with the Director of Special Operations Bureau Pol.Capt. Arkhom Klaineam and his team, being instructors.

This activity is training cooperation to develop the personnel of partner agencies in the justice system which is in accordance with the policy of the executives of Ministry of Justice and DSI, with DSI Academy serving as a center of training for the personnel.



Mr. Wissanu Krea-ngam chaired BSC Meeting No. 2/2566, paid inspection visit to DSI

On June 14, 2023 at 09:00 a.m., at the meeting room no.1, 1st floor of the DSI headquarters on Chaeng Watthana Road, Bangkok, there was the meeting no. 2/2566 of the Board of Special Case (BSC), chaired by Deputy Prime Minister and Acting Minister of



Justice Mr. Wissanu Krea-ngam, and attended by Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Justice Ms. Phongsaward Guyaroonsuith, Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Justice Ms. Aranya Tongnumtago and Director General of Department of Special Investigation Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, as the member and the secretary of the BSC as well as 17 high-level board members.

The key outcomes of the meeting are as follows:

1. The meeting resolved to improve the Special Case Investigation Course by extending the training period for the training module on the use of technology in the investigation of special cases and adding a module on the investigation into offenses related to information technology in order to keep up with current situations.

2. The meeting agreed to seek the Cabinet's approval to issue a Ministerial Regulation Prescribing Additional Special Cases under section 21 paragraph one (1) of the Special Case Investigation Act, (No. ..) B.E., to include as Special Case offences additional criminal offences under the following 3 laws: law on digital asset business, law on derivatives, and law on cybercrime prevention and suppression.

3. The meeting approved anti-pyramid scheme measures, which focus on the confiscation and sharing of seized assets among victims in parallel with criminal proceedings, and push forward the concrete implementation of the National Agenda on combating pyramid schemes, with administrative and police authorities playing more active roles in prevention and suppression.

4. The meeting resolved that the following criminal case is to be investigated as special case under section 21 paragraph one (2) of the Special Case Investigation Act, B.E. 2547 (2004):

The 10 February 2021 fatal shooting of a Deputy Leader of the Band Platoon, 210th Military District, at Phrayodmueangkwang Camp in Kuruku Sub-district, Muang District, Nakhon Phanom Province, which might constitute criminal offenses under Sections 288 and 289 of the Penal Code.



After the meeting had been finished, Deputy Prime Minister and Acting Minister of Justice Mr. Wissanu Krea-ngam and board members followed up work performance of the DSI, visited the Special Case Command & Control Center as well as observed the simulation of special operations and tactical exercise. Upon the mentioned visit, the Deputy Prime Minister and Acting Minister of Justice Mr. Wissanu Krea-ngam gave policy and orders regarding the operational guidelines as follows:

1. To coordinate with Professor Dr. Thosaporn Sirisumphand on structural adjustments and appropriate manpower planning (to expand structure and manpower) in order to be prepared for missions under new laws and changing circumstances

2. To consider increasing the number of government employee, in order to match the workload of core and support missions, both central and provincial authorities

3. To study the designation of an advisory (Level 10) position of the Department of Special Investigation, similar to the Office of the Narcotics Control Board

4. To study the form, means and effect that may occur from the entry into force (Draft) Criminal Investigation Act, B.E., in case that the Act comes into force in the future

As for items no. 1-2-3, the coordination with the Ministry of Justice needs to be done in order to set the process in line with the specified period and guidelines.

The visit was completed at 12.20 p.m.

DSI discussed with Department of Marine and Coastal Resources to study the linking of mapping databases to create a crime mapping system

On Monday 19 June, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Mr. Pipat Penpak, Director of Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center, accompanied by Mr Kraisri Sawangsri, Head of Mapping and Geo-information Technology Division and officers to make a study visit and discuss about the linking of mapping databases with Information and Surveying Technology for Marine and Coastal Resources Division, Department of Marine and Coastal Resources. On this occasion, Ms. Jittima Sathienwutthikul, Director of Information System Management Division of Marine and Coastal Resources, and officers welcomed and briefed the DSI officers on online

mapping data service, used for the development of crime mapping system to support special case investigation.



DSI has launched the Advanced Digital Evidence Handling Training Program to prepare personnel to efficiently work with advanced digital evidence

On June 19th, 2023, at Learning Studio 1, 1st Floor, Thailand Institute of Justice (TIJ), Chaengwattana Rd., Bangkok, Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool, Deputy Director General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), served as the chairman in the opening ceremony of the Advanced Digital Evidence Handling Training Program. The training program was scheduled to take place from June 19th to 23rd, 2023. Miss Sununta Hongprapat, Deputy Director of the Bureau of Development and Logistics, delivered a report on the objectives and goals of the training program. This training program was organized to develop the potential of personnel of the DSI to have knowledge and understanding about advanced digital evidence collection in order to apply knowledge and practices accurately in their work. There are 26 participants in total who will gain knowledge on advanced digital evidence handling such as

- The situations and trends of digital evidence by Mrs. Kanoklada Charoensiri, Financial and Banking Crime Expert, DSI

- The sequencing and screening of electronic evidence at crime scenes by Miss Amornrat Lekwichai, a lecturer from the Central Institute of Forensic Science
- The principles and processes for digital evidence examination by Police Lieutenant Colonel Patana Sugarasut, Special Case Expert
- The identification, collection, and preservation of digital evidence by Mr. Luck Chalermchai, a lecturer from the Bureau of Illegal Financial Business, DSI
- The mutual legal assistance in criminal matters and extradition by Mr. Boonyawut Boonyatikarn and Mr. Kulachai Thonglongya, Public Prosecutors attached to the Office of the Attorney General
- The digital evidence examination as an expert witness in mock court by Mr. Thepprathanphon Thongklang, Provincial Public Prosecutor attached to the Office of the Attorney General
- The mutual legal assistance in criminal matters on digital evidence by Police Captain Puvadet Prommakrit, Public Prosecutor attached to the Office of the Attorney General



The DSI attended the meeting with the DES, cyber agencies, and financial institutions to expedite the prevention and suppression of cybercrimes, discuss development of Banking system, and follow up on the progress of the Emergency Decree on Cyber Crime Prevention and Suppression, B.E. 2566 (2023)

On June 23rd, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Mr. Khemachart Prakaihongmanee, Director of the Bureau of Technology and Cyber



Crime, DSI to attend the Cyber Crime Prevention and Suppression Committee Meeting No. 2/2566, in order to expedite all relevant agencies to suppress cyber crimes. The meeting was chaired by the Minister of Digital Economy and Society, accompanied by Professor Wisit Wisitsora-At (Permanent Secretary for Digital Economy and Society), Police General Damrongsak Kittiprapas (Commissioner General of the Royal Thai Police), Police Major General Eakkarak Limsunggas (Deputy Secretary General of Anti-Money Laundering Office (AMLO)), Police Lieutenant General Worawat Watnakornbancha (Commissioner of the Cyber Crime Investigation Bureau), Police Lieutenant General Surapol Prembutr (Commissioner attached to the Office of the Commissioner General), Commander Saktipong Sibmuenpiam (Director of Cyber Watch Section, National Cyber Security Agency), various financial institutions, and other related agencies to follow up on the progress of actions related to the Emergency Decree on Cyber Crime Prevention and Suppression, B.E. 2566 (2023) and consider the processes involved in intercepting suspicious

transactions and channels for providing convenient and rapid services to the public.

The meeting considered important issues in solving cybercrime problems, such as

- When there is a reasonable suspicion of financial institutions, by specifying reasonable suspicion of financial transactions that may be carried out by fraudsters
- When there is a reasonable suspicion of the telecommunications service provider that may be carried out by fraudsters
- The Bank of Thailand and the Thai Bankers' Association are required to expedite the development of a system for exchanging information between financial institutions, business operators, and relevant agencies
- The Office of the National Broadcasting and Telecommunications Commission (NBTC) will accelerate the development of a system for exchanging information between telecommunications service providers to be used in the prevention and suppression of cyber crimes
- The development of the Banking System to be connected to the ITMX system of financial institutions
- The AMLO and the DSI will consider channels for reporting suspicious incidents and exchanging information with financial institutions
- The Banking system of the Royal Thai Police will connect with the NBTC's information exchange system in order to receive reports of suspicious incidents
- The methods and channels of financial institutions to receive reports from victims, with the agencies working together in accordance with the Emergency Decree

- The establishment of a public-private joint operations center is aimed at providing a framework for preventing and combating mule accounts and mule SIM cards, as well as promoting awareness for the public to strengthen public resilience in preventing cybercrimes, by both public and private sector agencies

Director General of DSI gave a live interview on ThaiPBS TV channel, clarifying the raid on the registration network of Nominee companies for foreigners and the acceptance of financial fraud of Stark Corporation Public Company Limited as a special case.



On Monday 26 June 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), gave a live interview on ThaiPBS TV channel, clarifying the raid on the registration network of Nominee companies for foreigners and the acceptance of financial fraud of Stark Corporation Public Company Limited as a special case.

On Thursday 15 June 2023, DSI made a field visit collaboratively with the Central Institute of Forensic Science, Department of Business Development, and Phuket authorities, searching companies whose behavior is considered "nominee", or which help, support, jointly operate a business with aliens, or holding shares on behalf of aliens to do business. The Director General also clarified the acceptance of financial fraud of Stark Corporation Public Company Limited as a special case, in which DSI operates with the Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Economic Crime Suppression Division, and Central Investigation Bureau. The law will be used effectively in all dimensions to

prosecute the offenders, remedy victims, and boost confidence in the capital market as soon as possible.



The representative from DSI presented on ‘The Role of the DSI under the Prevention and Suppression of Torture and Enforced Disappearance Act, B.E. 2565 (2022) and the Reporting of Incidents under Section 29’ on the occasion of the International Day in Support of Victims of Torture

On 26 June 2023, DSI Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol assigned officers from the Bureau of Security Crime to participate in the “Safe in Custody School” training program, organized on the occasion of the International Day in Support of Victims of Torture by the National Human Rights Commission in conjunction with the Cross Cultural Foundation and Association for the Prevention of Torture, at Learning Studio, Thailand Institute of Justice.

Mr. Jirat Thongphiew, Head of the Division of Torture and Enforced Disappearances Investigation 1, and Ms. Pimolphan choorat, Acting Senior Special Case Official and Head of the Anti-Torture and Enforced Disappearances Coordination Center, was assigned by Mr. Thawewat Surasit to participate in the training program and deliver a presentation on the topic 'The Role of the DSI under the Prevention and Suppression of Torture and Enforced Disappearance Act, B.E. 2565 (2022) and the Reporting of Incidents under Section 29'. The presentation covered the following details:

1. Establishing internal units, namely 'The Division of Torture and Enforced Disappearances Investigation 1-2' and 'The Anti-Torture and Enforced Disappearances Coordination Center' under the Bureau of Security Crime, with an aim to support the execution of duties according to the aforementioned act
2. Issuing internal guidelines to prepare for the enforcement of the Act by announcing the implementation guidelines, the form for accepting complaints, and notifying the results of the Constitutional Court's decision
3. Conducting training programs for personnel working at the DSI headquarters, regional operations centers 1-9, and the southern border provinces center. The training program will consist of 3 sessions. The first session will cover the background, intent of the law, and the roles of government officials. The second session will focus on the scope of the law and the responsibilities according to the aforementioned act. The third session will cover the guidelines for compliance with the act and the system for notifying detentions and the procedures for detaining under Sections 22-23. These training programs are scheduled to take place at the end of June 2023
4. Adding the subject content of the aforementioned act to the DSI's core training courses, including the training courses for special case officers and special case inquiry officials
5. Creating public relations media, including animations and infographics, to enhance officers' understanding
6. Providing officers with video and audio recording equipment when the law comes into effect. The DSI has ordered the preparation of equipment for the officers. If there is a lack or inadequacy of equipment, they will

coordinate with the Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center to request support and obtain equipment to support the mission

7. Conducting internal meetings within DSI to drive forward the mission and follow up on the progress of implementing the act consistently



DSI organized an outreach activity on Justice Enhancement for Sripatum University's students.

On Tuesday 27 June 2023, at Convention room 4th floor of building 11, Sripatum University, Bang Khen district, Bangkok, Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool, Deputy Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), presided over the workshop on legal empowerment and access of justice.

The event was attended by 90 students and personnel, with the purpose of



publicizing missions and duties of justice enhancement in both civil and criminal cases by emphasizing the importance of all ages to increase the potential of the people. The workshop was briefed by DSI's speakers. First, Mr.

Angsuket Visuthvattanasak, Director of Bureau of Justice Enhancement Affairs, briefed on the topic “Missions and Duties of Bureau of Justice Enhancement Affairs of Department of Special Investigation”. Second, Mr.



Pramuk Wichanpreecha, Deputy Director of Bureau of Justice Enhancement Affairs, briefed on the topic “the Information of Online Loaning” and divided students into groups to do the activity “learning laws through ‘The Choice’ game”, with Mrs. Umaporn Preprasert, the former Director of Legal Aid Center for Debtors and Victims of Injustice, and officers of Bureau of Justice Enhancement Affairs.

DSI congratulated Office of the Prime Minister on 91st Anniversary

On Wednesday 28 June 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), jointly signed a congratulatory book to congratulate and make a donation to OPM Disaster Relief Fund on the 91st anniversary of the establishment of the Office of the Prime Minister, with Mrs. Kobpetch Harnpattanapanich, Assistant Permanent Secretary, receiving the donation at Office of the Permanent Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister, Government House, Phitsanulok road, Dusit district, Bangkok.



July 2023

DSI DG Hosted “DSI Open House”, Nurturing Youth to be Special Agents of Change

Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), hosted DSI Open House “Nurturing Youth to be Special Agents of Change” at the DSI building, Chaengwattana Road, Laksi District, Bangkok. During this event, Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen (DSI Deputy Director-General) granted certificates of participation to 56 participants which are high school and undergraduate students. The participants were provided with knowledge and understanding of the DSI mission, duties and the Thailand 4.0 - Government Policy by speakers from the DSI and took part in activities.

On Saturday 8 July 2023, at 08.00 - 17.00 hrs., the DSI Director General presided over the opening ceremony of the open house and gave a special talk on “Special Agents of Change”. During the event, the DSI speakers shared knowledge on topics



and provided suggestions on activities for participants to take part in, with the purpose for encouraging the youth to learn and understand basic law and be able to apply basic legal knowledge in their daily lives as well as to have discipline, integrity, and volunteer spirit. The project also had objectives of motivating the new generation to understand the context of special case investigation. The lectures on topics were delivered by speakers from many agencies, “before becoming a special case” was a lecture topic presented by Police Major Worranan

Srilum (Director of Bureau of Illegal Financial Business), and the topic “conducting preliminary investigation” was delivered by Police Lieutenant Settavoot Saipong (Head of Illegal Financial Business Division 3). The participants also took part in activities, such as, the practice of the Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) activity (demonstrated by speakers from the Royal Volunteer Spirit 904 of Nurse Service Organization, Bhumibol Adulyadej Hospital, the Directorate of Medical Services of the Royal Thai Air Force), the activity that provided the know-how to acquire and apply observation skills with counterfeit or trademark infringing goods (led by speakers from Bureau of Intellectual Property Crime), the demonstrations of adapting and utilizing technology to encirclement, search and arrest operations (presented by representatives from Bureau of Special Operations and Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center). Furthermore, the informative lecture on aerial investigation technology and aerial mapping by drones given by Mr.Kraisri Sawangsri, Head of Mapping Division, Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center was added to the lecture lists.



The DSI Director General disclosed that this DSI open house event was held for the first time and it was a consequence of the DSI receiving many requests from people, during the visit to many areas, asking the DSI to hold such event in its workplace. In this regard, the open house was aimed at creating awareness among youth about their roles, responsibilities, and enhancing their skills in terms of life experiences regarding self-defense, protecting their families, and contributing to society. At present, in addition to having knowledge and abilities, the youth should also have a sense of public spirit and be a good member of society. It is necessary

to enhance their skills in utilizing technology and acquiring technical knowledge, as well as to protect themselves from individuals with bad intention who may deceive or mislead them. To achieve this purpose, a demonstration of using technology as a tool for self-protection was included in the event. Additionally, the participating youth could exchange knowledge and experiences in the perspective of the Department of Special Investigation. The youth attending this event came from various institutions, so this opportunity would allow them to get to know each other, have fun together, and gain knowledge simultaneously.

Mr. Pariyapong Wirattiya (Plug), from Assumption University, revealed that he was impressed with the welcoming atmosphere and speakers sharing knowledge. Moreover, he got a chance to try the actual operating equipment and felt impressed that the Director gave him the alias “a big fan of the DSI”.

Miss Natthakan Pengnet (Walnut), from Triam Udom Suksa School, expressed that she was very excited. She gained a better understanding of how DSI works, tried different quizzes about cases, and had the chance to practice CPR. She gained a lot of knowledge in many different areas.

Mr. Nathakorn Intharawarin (Friaio), from Tha Khlong Municipal School, said that he was exhilarated and exposed to new experiences. He felt that the DSI’s distinctions were its special case investigation process.

The DSI planned to host another DSI Open House in the future with various activities beneficial to the youth and public.

DSI congratulated National Broadcasting Services of Thailand on 35th Anniversary



On Tuesday 11 July 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Ms. Pitchaya Tharakornsunti, the DSI spokesperson, along with Ms. Pittayaporn Choorat, the DSI Deputy Spokesperson, as representatives to give a congratulatory bouquet on the 35th Anniversary of National Broadcasting Services of Thailand (NBT). It is to congratulate and thank NBT for its assistance in publishing news of the DSI at National Broadcasting Services of Thailand, Public Relations Department of Thailand, Vibhavadi Rangsit Road, Din Daeng, Bangkok.

UNODC provided equipment support to drive forward DSI's missions



On Tuesday 11 July, 2023 at 1:00 p.m., Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), along with Police Captain Piya Raksakul, Deputy Director General of DSI, Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool, Deputy Director General of DSI, Police Captain Thinavudth Silapat, Director of Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, Police Major Tharuetawan Vanaphat, Director of DSI Academy, and

officers joined the ceremony to receive durable articles from the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) to DSI. This ceremony also included the signing of deed of transfer with Mr. Felipe De La Torre, Programme Officer (Border Management) of UNODC and the establishment of the Training Center for the Prevention and Investigation of Transnational Organized Crime at the DSI's computer room, 2nd floor, DSI Academy.

DSI and UNODC are important partners, which have provided equipment support for the implementation of DSI's missions and organize training programs for the development of knowledge and skills for the DSI's officers. Both agencies aim to jointly develop cooperation in various fields (Capacity Building) for the purpose of effectively countering emerging transnational organized crimes which are threats to Thailand and ASEAN.

The Governor of the MEA, along with the executive team and staff from the MEA, visited to express gratitude to the Director General of the DSI

On Thursday, July 13th, 2023, at 2:00 PM, Mr. Wilas Chaloeysat, the Governor of the Metropolitan Electricity Authority (MEA), along with the executive team and staff from the MEA, visited and expressed gratitude to Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), at Meeting Room 3, 1st floor, DSI building.

This visit is the result of the case in which the DSI conducted operations to search 41 sites that were using electricity illegally for Bitcoin mining in Bangkok and Nonthaburi provinces on November 30th, 2022 (Investigation Case No. 60/2565).



At present, the DSI is in the process of investigating a Special Case No. 10/2566 and discussing the development of cooperation in various aspects between the two organizations. Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen, Deputy

Director General of the DSI, Mr. Khemachart Prakaihongmanee, Director of the Bureau of Technology and Cyber Crime, Police Lieutenant Colonel Chalermchonm Ounhase-ree, Deputy Director of the Bureau of Technology and Cyber Crime, Mr. Ratchapruk Choodam, Director of the Cyber Crime Investigation Center, and Mr. Chawaphon Sinpoonpakdi, Head of Narcotics Crime Division 3, along with officers from the Bureau of Technology and Cyber Crime, also joined the DSI Director General in welcoming the MEA delegation.

DSI and Faculty of Law, Chulalongkorn University, signed MOU on the implementation of Personal Data Protection Act and Research and Development of Law



On Monday 17 July 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), and Assistant Professor Dr. Paeena Srivanit, Dean of Faculty of Law, Chulalongkorn University, signed

the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Academic Cooperation concerning Personal Data Protection Act and Research and Development of Law.

Police Major Yuthana Praedam, Deputy Director General of Department of Special Investigation, and Mr. Sombun Mahunsuk, Director of Bureau of Legal Affairs, also signed the MOU together with Associate Professor Dr. Chachapon Jayaphorn, and Assistant Professor Dr. Pawat Satayanurug, Vice Deans of Faculty of Law, Chulalongkorn University, at reception room, 2nd floor of the Rajaburi Direkridhhi Building (building A), Department of Special Investigation, the Government Complex, Chaeng Watthana Road. The signing was witnessed by Dr. Soontaree Songserm, an advisor of the Office of the Personal Data Protection Committee, Ministry of Digital Economy and Society.

Both agencies have the shared intent to drive forward the implementation of Personal Data Protection Act, Research and Development of Law, Academic works, the development of personnel, as well as training and seminars, which relate



to Personal Data Protection Act and new laws, and to build knowledge and understanding of Personal Data Protection Act which is to raise the level and build the potential of personnel in special investigation missions and special case support missions, and Knowledge Development and compliance guidelines of laws. At the signing ceremony, special talks are also held as follows:

1. The Director of Department of Special Investigation gave a special talk on “DSI’s missions and Personal Data Protection”.
2. Dean of Faculty of Law, Chulalongkorn University, gave a special talk on “The Importance of Legal Cooperation for National Development”, and
3. The advisor of the Office of the Personal Data Protection Committee, Ministry of Digital Economy and Society, gave a special talk on “Personal Data Protection Act and Elevation of a Country to International Standards”.

The Department of Special Investigation realizes and emphasizes Personal Data Protection to develop the Data Security System and boost public confidence in strict compliance with laws, as part of its efforts to drive forward and elevate Thailand's Personal Data Protection to International Standards.

The Ministry of Justice monitors disciplinary actions and prosecution against government officials to avert involvement in human trafficking

On July 19th, 2023, Mrs. Aranya Thongnamtako (Deputy Permanent Secretary for Justice) chaired the meeting no. 2/2566 of the Subcommittee for Monitoring Disciplinary Actions and Prosecution against Government Officials to Avert Involvement in Human Trafficking. The representatives from various government agencies such as the Office of the Court of Justice, the Office of the Attorney General, the Royal Thai Police, the Anti-Money Laundering Office, the Office of the National Anti-Corruption Commission, and the Office of Public Sector Anti-Corruption Commission, attended the meeting at the meeting room 10-08, 10th floor of the Ministry of Justice building on Changwattana Road, Thung Song Hong Sub-district, Lak Si District, Bangkok and via Video Conference.

During this meeting, the TIP Report for the year 2023 was presented, focusing on human trafficking and providing updates on the progress of actions taken against government officials involved in human trafficking. The statistics from 2012 until the



present revealed that a total of 116 government officials were implicated in human trafficking, divided into 14 civil servants, 8 military officers, 78 police

officers, and 16 local politicians. The Human Trafficking Bureau of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), acting as the Secretary, proposed the new 2 additional matters to the Subcommittee to consider for further monitoring. The first case involves government officials supporting forced labor or servitude in sugarcane plantations in Kanchanaburi province. And the second case involves government officials from various agencies assisting foreign individuals in entering the country illegally during the search of rented houses of the Consul General of the Republic of Nauru. Furthermore, the issue of corruption among government officials remains a problem that causes human trafficking in Thailand, which the stakeholders have to work together to urgently solve.

DSI Warns the public against “Fake Online Crime Report Website”

In the past weeks, the DSI has discovered scammers tricking people who seek to report cases via online channels by creating 2 websites for “Fake online crime report” (<https://www.lawyerth.co.in> and www.dsi1.tech). Neither of these websites is the official website of the DSI. When a person clicks on the said website, they will be redirected to speak via Line application with a scammer who posed as a lawyer/complaint receiver to convince the person to submit evidence of frauds (chat log, bank transfer slip, etc). The scammers might try to convince the victims into transferring payment of fees or charges for processing the report of cases or convince the victims into clicking on links that allow remote accessing to the victims’ device. The scammers would then withdraw the money from the victims’ accounts, causing damage to the scammed people.

The DSI reiterates that the DSI has only 6 online channels, namely, www.dsi.go.th, “DSI กรมสอบสวนคดีพิเศษ” Facebook page, Youtube, Instagram, Twitter, and TikTok as publicized via QR Code on the DSI official website.

Contact for reporting cases, making complaints, giving tips, or checking case progress is done only via the website ‘www.dsi.go.th’. You can verify the suspicious link by checking the ending part of the link. Websites of government agencies, government offices, or ministries/departments would end with ‘.go.th’ shorted for Government of Thailand. The DSI officers would not instruct you to report a case via Line application, to download application to your device, or to transfer payment of processing fee; therefore, please do not comply if you are asked to do so. The only official Line account of the DSI is ‘@checkdidsi’, which is for the matters related to pyramid scheme created by the DSI’s Bureau of Illegal Financial Business Crime to help people assess the risk of pyramid scheme before investing in certain business, another way to help preventing damages to the public.

DSI launched “DSI conserves fish stocks” activity in honor of and as merit making for His Majesty King Rama X on the occasion of the royal birthday anniversary on 28 July 2023

On 24 July 2023, at Chin Wararam temple, Bang Khayaeng sub-district, Mueang Pathum Thani district, Pathum Thani, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI), presided over the “DSI conserves fish stocks” activity for government officials and DSI’s officers to show the allegiance and gratitude to His Majesty King Rama X, in cooperation with Chin Wararam’s monks, teachers, and students of Watchinwararam school.

They took part in the activity for common interest by releasing freshwater fish, which are 45,000 Java barb to Chao Phraya River, to keep the royal wish in the conservation of aquatic animals to breed fish stocks and provide food for the community. Those fresh-water fish were received from Pathum Thani Inland Aquaculture Research and Development Center, Department of Fisheries.

This activity is the one of “DSI conserves fish stocks” activities which DSI holds every year in honor of and as merit making for His Majesty King Rama X on occasion of the royal birthday anniversary on the 28 July 2023 for government officials and DSI’s officers to show their allegiance and gratitude to His Majesty King Rama X.



DSI joins Thai-Australian Taskforce Storm to combat drug trafficking, money laundering, and transnational crime

On July 25, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Police Captain Piya Raksakul, the Deputy Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation, to represent the DSI in attending a high-level meeting of the Thai-Australian Taskforce Storm regarding drug trafficking, money laundering, and transnational crime and sign the extension agreement to further Taskforce Storm's operation for an additional 2 years, until July 18, at Chidchai Wannasathit Meeting Room, the Office of the Narcotics Control Board.

The Thai-Australian Taskforce Storm regarding drug trafficking, money laundering, and transnational crime is a collaborative initiative between Thai and Australian agencies, comprising the Office of the Narcotics Control Board,



the Narcotics Suppression Bureau of the Royal Thai Police, the Anti-Money Laundering Office, the Department of Special Investigation, and the Australian Federal Police (AFP). The mission is to facilitate and coordinate with operational units for information and intelligence exchange, law enforcement, coordination between agencies for operation, and enhancing cooperation among officers in preventing drug trafficking, money laundering, and transnational crime between the Kingdom of Thailand and the Commonwealth of Australia.

In the recent period, the Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau of the Department of Special Investigation, under the framework of cooperation of the Taskforce Storm, has been tasked with investigating 2 cases, consisting of the case involving Thai nationals transporting a substantial amount of cash in Australian currency into the Kingdom of Thailand with suspicious behavior suggesting possible involvement in money laundering activities linked to transnational criminal organizations, and the case involving Australian nationals and other individuals who may have participated in laundering money obtained from drug trafficking for transnational criminal organizations.

The Department of Special Investigation is committed to fully preventing and combating transnational crime, and prepared to integrate and coordinate with both domestic and international law enforcement agencies to ensure effective prevention and suppression of transnational crime.

August 2023

DSI joined "NBT Mee Kam Tob" at the National Broadcasting Services of Thailand (NBT), regarding the issue of solving the problem of money mules to end the cycle of online crime

On Thursday, August 3rd, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Mr. Phongsathon Inamnuay, the Director of the Bureau of Narcotics Crime, to participate in a live interview on the program "NBT Mee Kam Tob" regarding the issue of solving the problem of mule accounts and the people involved to end the cycle of online crime. Miss Jiraporn Jatutan and Miss Kanchanok Nimdam, General Administrative Officers from the DSI, also joined the program to provide answers and advice to the public via phone calls on that issue at the National Broadcasting Services of Thailand, Vibhavadi Rangsit Road, Bangkok.



DSI Trains 2nd Batch of Cyber Detectives, Social Media

Let Us Find You

The Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, Department of Special Investigation (DSI), in collaboration with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), conducted training sessions to enhance the investigative skills of DSI officers in both theoretical and practical aspects. This training focused on

identifying and analyzing connection of suspected individuals from social media, aiming to expedite and improve the efficiency of legal proceedings.



DSI Joined Live Interview on Its Role in Solving Problems for Stateless Persons

On Thursday 24 August 2023, DSI Deputy Director General Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool participated in a live interview for People's Station TV Program hosted by Mr Teeradet Ngamluea and Ms Thidarat Anatrakitti on the topic of DSI presented ID cards to children of minorities at Thong Pha Phum District of Kanchanaburi Province at ThaiPBS TV Station.



DSI collaborates with the National Science and Technology Development Agency (NSTDA) to sign an MOU to expand cooperation between agencies, develop academic work and technological innovations, and enhance standards in investigating and probing special cases

On Thursday, August 24, 2023, the Department of Special Investigation, in collaboration with the National Science and Technology Development Agency, signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on academic and technological innovation research and development. This MOU aims to extend the duration of cooperation between the agencies for another 5 years (until October 19, 2028) to enhance capabilities and improve the efficiency of special case investigations. The signatories for the Department of Special Investigation were Police Captain Piya Raksakul, Deputy Director of the Department of Special Investigation, and Mr. Phiphat Penpak, Director of the Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center. From NSTDA, Dr. Sombun Sahasitivat, Deputy Director of the National Science and Technology Development Agency in charge of Research and Development Management, and Dr. Adisorn Tuantranont, Director of the Technology Center for National Security and Commercial Applications, NSTDA, co-signed the agreement at the reception room on the 2nd floor of the Department of Special Investigation, Rajaburi Direkridhhi Building (Building A), the Government Complex, Chaeng Watthana Road.

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) has been entered into (by both parties) with the objectives to:

1. Research and develop technological innovations to enhance the capabilities and competence in special case investigations and security-related affairs
2. Promote and support the efficient and maximum utilization of existing resources in the research and development of technological innovations for special case investigations

3. Strengthen and exchange personnel, knowledge, experience, and academic information in the research and development of technological innovations for special case investigations and security-related affairs
4. Extend the application of research and development outcomes into practical use, including expanding the network of cooperation to various related agencies

Finally, the Department of Special Investigation and NSTDA recognize and place importance on enhancing and developing technological innovations. Both agencies will collaborate in researching and developing technological innovations to maximize the operational potential for the country's benefit. This collaboration aims to build public confidence as part of the effort to drive and elevate the standards of special case investigations to an international standard.



September 2023

The Attaché from the U.S. Embassy's Regional Security Office (RSO) paid a visit to the DSI Academy

The Attaché from the Regional Security Office (RSO) of the United States Embassy honored the DSI Academy with a visit, following an invitation extended by DSI Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol. This visit was aimed at fostering cooperation in training and exchanging experiences to enhance expertise between DSI officers and international law enforcement agencies. This collaboration is especially significant in light of DSI's successful operations in apprehending people involved in forging foreign passports and expanding investigations against their networks, actions that the United States regards as crucial to global security.

On September 1, 2023, following an invitation from the Director General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), Ms. Jessica Lee Kai, Attaché from the Regional Security Office (RSO) of the United States Embassy, along with her delegation, conducted an



official visit and tour of the DSI Academy located in Nong Chok, Bangkok. The visit includes inspections of the training facilities, including the expertise development building, general learning building, aquatic training building, shooting range, and tactical training building. Additionally, they also observed the training sessions of special case officers and special case inquiry officials. The delegation was welcomed by Police Captain Thinavudth Silapat, the Director of

the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, and Police Major Tharuetawan Vanaphat, Director of the DSI Academy. In summary, the RSO conveyed a profound willingness to engage in collaborative efforts to develop and organize a variety of advanced training programs for the personnel of the Department of Special Investigation.

DSI held a meeting to discuss and receive inputs on the development of smart crime mapping system, in collaboration with financial institutions

On September 8, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Police Captain Piya Raksakul, Deputy Director General, to preside over the opening of the meeting. Also present



at the meeting were Mr. Pipat Penpak, Director of Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center, Police Major Worranan Srilum, Director of Bureau of Illegal Financial Business, Mrs. Kanoklada Charoensiri, an expert in financial and banking crime, along with officers from Inspection Division 2 from the Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center. This meeting focused on discussing the development of a smart crime mapping system, DSI CRIME MAP, to enhance the investigation capabilities of the DSI in collaboration with financial institutions. Additionally, the meeting discussed how to integrate information with 10 financial institutions to maintain data security according to international standards. This initiative aims to create a centralized system for managing, tracking, and analyzing information to effectively prevent and combat crime.

DSI Awarded the 2023 Model Organization for Human Rights

On September 22, 2023, Police Colonel Tawee Sodsong, Minister of Justice, presented an honorable mention certificate from the Minister of Justice to Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), at the award ceremony for the 2023 Model Organization for Human Rights. The DSI presented its project "Enhancing Justice: Case of Human Rights Problems in Ban Panyang." The ceremony was held at the Miracle Grand Hotel in Bangkok, with DSI executives and staff in attendance.

The Model Organization for Human Rights Award is given to organizations that are committed to promoting and protecting human rights in a concrete way. The DSI is committed to developing the organization into a model organization for human rights and is ready to work with partners to promote and protect human rights in Thailand.



Director of Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime welcomes Mr. Bryan McNeill, Regional Manager of Asia Pacific, British Embassy in Thailand

On Tuesday, September 26, 2023, Police Captain Piya Raksakul (Deputy Director-General of Department of Special Investigation (DSI)) assigned Police

Captain Thinavudth Silapat (Director of Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime), as DSI representative, to welcome and discuss official matters with a team of officials from the Home Office International Operations (HOIO), led by Mr. Bryan McNeil, Relational Manager of Asia Pacific, and Mr. Charles Han, International Liaison Manager, British Embassy in Thailand, at reception room, 2nd floor of the Rajaburi Direkridhhi Building, the Government Complex. The HOIO or the Home Office of the United Kingdom has responsibility for preventing threats from transnational crime and conducted investigation into relevant transnational crime as well as coordinating with international law enforcement agencies in preventing and dealing with criminal offences, especially illegal immigration, passport forgery, terrorism, narcotics smuggling, etc.

Both agencies agreed to enhance close cooperation in the areas of investigation and exchange of information that is beneficial to the investigation, in accordance with the duties and responsibilities of the two agencies. Additionally, the HOIO is willing to support training for developing specialized knowledge and skills for DSI personnel to cope with new and increasingly complex forms of transnational crime. The DSI Academy is ready to support the implementation of international training programs. Mr. McNeill thanked the DSI for the warm welcome. The HOIO is also delighted to invite DSI executives to visit the HOIO Bangkok office at the next opportunity



October 2023

DSI-AFP met to discuss supplemental agreement on law enforcement cooperation



On Thursday 5 October 2023, DSI Deputy Director General Police Captain Piya Raksakul was assigned by the DSI Director General to represent DSI during a meeting with Federal Agent Janine Ennis from the Australian Federal Police (AFP) to discuss the signing of the proposed AFP-DSI supplemental agreement. Also in attendance from DSI were relevant officers from the Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, Bureau of Human Trafficking, Bureau of Technology and Cyber Crime, and Bureau of Technology and Information Inspection Center. This supplemental agreement would benefit both agencies as changes have been made to DSI's regulations and internal structure, thus warranting the need to update the bilateral agreement.



DSI recommends prosecution against tax evaders, with over 4.9 billion baht in total damage

The Department of Special Investigation (DSI), by its Bureau of Tax Crime, has conducted an investigation into the allegations filed with DSI by the Revenue Department, against juristic persons and concerned individuals for making false VAT refund claims during 2001 and 2003. The DSI investigation revealed the individuals made money from VAT fraud and could not declare the source of such funds.

The investigation team has gathered facts and evidence sufficient to believe that Surarak (last name withheld for anonymity purposes), as the owner of various companies engaged in copper/brass antique trade, obtained money from the juristic persons and concerned individuals who made false VAT refund claims and failed to declare such income for tax purposes, costing the government baht 4,915,093,268.32 of lost income



The DSI Director General therefore has made a prosecution recommendation on a criminal charge against the alleged offender of evading or attempting to evade tax by fault, fraud, scheme or any other method of similar nature under Section 37 of the Revenue Code. On 15 September 2023, the special case inquiry officials, Bureau of Tax Crime, submitted the investigation file of Special Case no. 58/2566, together with the alleged offender, to the

Special Litigation Department, Office of the Attorney-General. The case is currently under consideration by the public prosecutor.

In addition to the case involving Surasak, the special case inquiry officials also pressed criminal charges against other individuals committing similar activities of obtaining money from the juristic persons and concerned individuals who made false VAT refund claims. A prosecution recommendation was made in Special Case no. 115/2565 on a criminal charge of evading or attempting to evade tax by fault, fraud, scheme or any other method of similar nature under Section 37 of the Revenue Code (with a damage of baht 4,366,742,951) and in Special Case no. 152/2561 on a money laundering charge (with a damage of baht 296,897,908.57). An investigation is also under way in Special Case no. 54/2566 (with a damage of baht 1,132,231,291).



NCA Supports DSI Cyber Investigation with Spektor Digital Forensics Tool

On Monday 9 October 2023, DSI Director General Police Major Suriya Singhakamol assigned Mr. Khemachart Prakaihongmanee, Director of Technology and Cyber Crime Bureau, as well as Mr. Udomkaan Warotamisikkhadit, Deputy Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau, to welcome National Crime Agency (NCA) International Liason Office

Advisor Mr. Mark Lockett during his visit to DSI to donate one set of Spektor digital forensics device.

A state-of-the-art and highly efficient digital forensics device, Spektor would be a great asset to DSI, helping drive further its digital forensics efforts and cybercrime investigation. To this end, NCA would also train 6 DSI officers on how to effectively use the device during 24 and 27 October 2023 at the DSI Headquarters.



DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATION

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The Department of Special Investigation (DSI) briefed the Minister of Justice on its case-related performance “DSI is ready to prove itself to gain the public's trust in the performance of duties by its officers.”



On October 10, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the DSI Director General, along with the Deputy Directors General and executives of the DSI, welcomed Police Colonel Tawee Sodsong, Minister of Justice, Mr. Yusin Jintapakorn, Vice Minister for Justice, Mr. Kuheng Yawohasun, Secretary to the Minister of Justice, and the advisors to

the Minister of Justice, who visited and attended a briefing on the DSI's case-related performance at the meeting room, the DSI headquarters.

In this regard, Police Colonel Tawee Sodsong, Minister of Justice, ordered and provided guidelines for the performance of duties by DSI officers on the following issues:

The DSI must have knowledge and expertise to "stay ahead of criminals" by analyzing and assessing emerging crime trends, developing effective strategies that are appropriate for the organizational context, consistent with policies, and responsive to the situation, rather than being a normal action plan.

The Special Case Investigation Act is to be used as a tool to support, promote, and supplement "Justice Enhancement and Inequality Reduction", in accordance with the vision of the Ministry of Justice

Justice is a reflection of human dignity. The DSI must put human dignity first, follow by the principle of law for consideration. And it must be used as a tool to solve conflicts and injustice in society.

Transparency, participation, and channels of communication with the public are important factors in justice enhancement.

It is agreed by all relevant agencies that DSI should enforce the Prevention and Suppression of Torture and Enforced Disappearance Act, B.E. 2565 (2022), because the DSI has been effectively investigating this type of crime (DSI has had the experience and expertise to do so since its establishment).

Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, the Director General of the DSI, has pledged to the Minister of Justice that "DSI is ready to prove itself to gain the public's trust in the performance of its officers." and will implement the policy of "An accessible justice brings public trust".

DSI participated in exchanging in-depth knowledge and expertise in international law at the seminar, “The RSO 2023 Constructive Dialogue on Irregular Migration, Trafficking in Persons, People Smuggling and Related Transnational Crime”

The Department of Special Investigation (DSI) has conducted integrated cooperation with MAST Human Company Limited, a non-profit social enterprise founded to create positive changes in society by combating all types of human trafficking, online child sexual exploitation, and protecting vulnerable groups through technology. MAST Human aims to work with civil society, business, and government sectors to sustainably tackle human trafficking at its root cause.

The Regional Support Office of the Bali Process (RSO) held its 2023 Constructive Dialogue on Irregular Migration, Trafficking in Persons, People Smuggling and Related Transnational Crime from October 10 to 11, 2023 at Bangkok



Marriott Marquis Queen's Park. The RSO sent a letter inviting representatives from the Department of Special Investigation (DSI) to participate in the meeting. The DSI Director-General appointed Deputy Director-General Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool and DSI officials to attend the meeting as the DSI's representatives. The DSI's participation in the meeting was to promote cooperation and create opportunities for participation, both bilaterally and multilaterally, as a member of the Bali Process, which consists of 45 member states, including with exchanging in-depth information, knowledge and expertise on various issues related to human trafficking, migrant smuggling, illegal migration, refugee protection, and transnational crime.

DSI congratulated The Institute of Public Relations on 62nd Anniversary

On October 20, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, assigned Police Captain Thinavudth Silapat, Director of Bureau of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime, as the representative to donate to the “Prosthetics and Orthotics Fund for the Disabled” at Siriraj Foundation on the occasion of the 62nd anniversary of the Institute of Public Relations. The donation was received by Miss Kannanat Phathornseubnukul, Head of the Training Administration division, at the Institute of Public Relations, Soi Ari, Phahon Yothin Road, Bangkok.



DSI participated in an international conference aimed at elevating and combating child sexual exploitation

Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), appointed Mr. Khemachart Prakaihongmanee, Director of the Technology and Cyber Crime, to preside over the opening ceremony of the regional seminar on combating the sexual exploitation of children. This significant event, held from October 24-26, 2023, at the SAII Laguna Phuket Hotel, Thailand, was co-presided by Dr. Angela Macdonald, Australian Ambassador to Thailand, Police General Surachate Hakparn, Deputy

Commissioner General, and Commander Helen Schneider of the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation (ACCCE).

The primary theme of the 2023 conference was 'Cross-Border Collaboration: Strengthening Regional Efforts to Combat Child Sexual Exploitation'. The conference aimed to promote cooperation and enhance expertise on various issues to bolster the region's capacity to combat child sexual exploitation. Participants included Australian Federal Police (AFP), the Australian Attorney-General's Department, the Mekong-Australia Program on Transnational Crime (MAP-TNC), the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation (JCLEC), the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation (ACCCE), various law enforcement agencies from Thailand, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, and Vietnam, along with experts from civil society organizations, and the Child Sexual Exploitation Division of the Bureau of Technology and Cyber Crime, DSI

The Department of Special Investigation has taken significant steps in the fight against child sexual exploitation, including establishing the Child Sexual Exploitation Division within the Bureau of Technology and Cyber Crime, specifically addressing the complexities of child sexual abuse, particularly in digital form, which often involves cross-border elements. Effective management of such issues necessitates regional cooperation among the respective agencies.



DSI Honored to Welcome Advisor to Interior Minister of Qatar and Delegation to DSI Academy to Further Capacity-Building Cooperation

On October 30, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., Police Colonel Tawee Sodsong, Minister of Justice, led the executives and officials from the Ministry of Justice (MOJ), along with the executives of the Thailand Institute of Justice (TIJ), led by Professor Dr. Kittipong Kittayarak, Mr. Adisak Phanupong, and Dr. Phiset Sardyen, to welcome His Excellency Major General Dr. Abdulla Yusuf Al-Mal, Advisor to the Minister of Interior of the State of Qatar, as the representative of the Qatari government and his delegation. In this regard, the Director-General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI) assigned Police Captain Piya Raksakul, Deputy Director-General of the DSI, and Police Captain Thinavudth Silapat, Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau, to represent the DSI at the welcome ceremony at the MOJ reception room for the benefit of cooperation in justice affairs between Thailand and the State of Qatar.



Then, the Qatari delegation and TIJ executives paid a study visit to the DSI Academy. The DSI executives, including Deputies Director-General Police Captain Piya Raksakul and Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool, together with Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau Police Captain Thinavudth Silapat, Director of Special Operations Bureau Police Major Suthotthawat Areerattananakorn, Expert on Foreign Affairs and Transnational

Crime Police Lieutenant Colonel Komvich Padhanarath, DSI Academy Director Police Major Tharuetawan Vanaphat and DSI officials welcomed the Qatari



delegation and TIJ executives. Police Captain Piya Raksakul, Deputy Director-General of the DSI, delivered a welcome remarks to the visiting delegation. Afterwards, there was a briefing on the mission, trends in special

crimes, and cooperation with foreign law enforcement agencies by the Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau. The Director of the DSI Academy presented a summary of the structure, mission, results of training cooperation with domestic and foreign agencies, as well as the training facilities of the DSI Academy, which can accommodate the training of officials from law enforcement agencies both in Thailand and from overseas. Then, the visiting delegation was shown a demonstration of tactical shooting and a demonstration of hostage rescue led by the Director of the Special Operations Bureau.

Then, the heads of the two sides exchanged souvenirs. The head of the Qatari delegation thanked the DSI for the warm welcome and expressed interest in the mission and powers of the DSI, which is different from the mission of other law enforcement agencies in Thailand. This meeting was held in a very friendly spirit, which has led to the future development of relations between the DSI and the Ministry of Interior of the State of Qatar in coordinating cooperation in training, human resource development, and other areas of mutual interest. The head of the Qatari delegation also extended an invitation for the DSI executives to visit the State of Qatar in early 2024 to further the cooperation.

In addition, the DSI provided a law enforcement escort to facilitate the local journeys of the Qatari delegation throughout their stay in Thailand.

November 2023

DSI seized over 50,000 items of counterfeit goods and products of foreign origins in the Nonthaburi Province area



On Thursday, November 2, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), and Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen, Deputy Director of the DSI, ordered Police Lieutenant

Colonel Yuthana Tangkoblup, Ms. Wanwisa Khamchamnan, Deputy Director of the Intellectual Property Crime Bureau, Mr. Sakda Pipatthamakul, Director of the Intellectual Property Crime Division 3, along with officials from the Intellectual Property Crime Bureau and the Special Operations Bureau, to execute two search warrants issued by the Central Intellectual Property and International Trade Court in Special Case number 96/2566. They conducted searches at two locations suspected of storage and sale of counterfeit trademark goods and products of foreign origin in Bang Kraso sub-district, Mueang Nonthaburi district, and Sai Ma sub-district, Mueang Nonthaburi district, to verify if they had undergone customs procedures. Additionally, the representatives of the injured party were also present at the scene to observe the searches.

During the searches at both locations, they discovered around 50,000 items including clothing, pants, bags, and other goods infringing on the trademarks of GREYHOUND, UNDER ARMOUR, and MYKITA, as well as products of foreign origin suspected of evading customs. The DSI officials seized these items for investigation and handed them over to the special case inquiry officials of the Intellectual Property Crime Bureau for further investigation into violations of the

Trademark Act, B.E. 2534 (1991), the Customs Act, B.E. 2560 (2017), and other related offenses.

The Department of Special Investigation has been actively working to prevent and suppress intellectual property infringements and customs law violations, aiming to improve Thailand's ranking in the enforcement of intellectual property rights and to support the economic system. Intellectual property infringements not only violates the rights of the property owners but also harms the country's economy. The DSI urges public cooperation in reporting any intellectual property infringements or customs law violations by contacting the Department of Special Investigation at 1202 (toll-free nationwide).

DSI holds press conference on the STARK stock fraud case, the MORE stock case, and the case of illegal pork importation

On Friday November 24, 2023, Police Major Suriya Singhakamol, Director General of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI), assigned Police Lieutenant Colonel



Jukkrit Visetketgarn, Director of the Bureau of Financial-Banking Crimes and Money Laundering, and Police Major Natapol Ditsayatham, Expert in Consumer Protection and Environmental Crime, to give updates on the progress in handling 3 special cases as follows:

1. Special Case No.59/2566 concerning the illegal importation of animal carcasses (pigs) into the country, totaling 161 containers with a volume of 4,025 tons.

- a. Due to the investigation of this particular special case, there are reasonable grounds to believe that government officials are implicated in these offenses. Therefore, the Director General of the Department of Special Investigation has decided to forward the investigation files of this special case to the Secretary-General of the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) for review and action in accordance with their official responsibilities. The team responsible for this special investigation, led by Police Captain Channarong Tubsarn, Deputy Director of Regional Operations, delivered 16 files (contained in three boxes) of the investigation to the office of the NACC. Additionally, the Department of Special Investigation is extending its inquiry into the importation of an additional 2,385 containers of pork, totaling 59,625 tons. Preliminary investigations suggest that these imports may constitute criminal acts as part of an organized crime network, severely impacting food security and the agricultural sector. This criminal organization is thought to consist of three main groups: financiers, political officials, and former government officials.
2. Special Case No. 57/2566 concerning corruption at Stark Corporation Public Company Limited. This was accepted as a special case on June 20, 2023. There are a total of 4,704 victims in this case, with the total damage amounting to approximately 14,778 million baht.
- a. Currently, the investigation is almost complete. The special case investigation team has conducted interrogations of 5 accusers and interviewed a total of 157 witnesses. They have charged 11 suspects with offenses under the Securities and Exchange Act, B.E. 2535 (1992), for falsifying accounts and financial statements, and for defrauding the public. Additionally, they are charged with offenses

under the Anti-Money Laundering Act, B.E. 2542 (1999). An arrest warrant has been issued for Mr. Chanin Yensudjai to bring him to justice. Moreover, the Department of Special Investigation has handed over assets from seizures/freezes to the Anti-Money Laundering Office for actions related to the assets under the Anti-Money Laundering Act, B.E. 2542 (1999).

3. Special Case No. 66/2566 regarding the shares of More Return PLC. during the period of 18 July 2022 - 10 November 2022 (pre-open phase), involves a group of 32 individuals who conspired to manipulate the price or trading volume of MORE securities continuously. This coordinated effort, where responsibilities were divided among the participants, resulted in damages valued at approximately 800,000,000 baht.
 - a. The special case investigation team has conducted interrogations of the accusers, including the Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), authorized representatives, and ten securities companies. These companies include Krungsri Securities Public Company Limited, Kiatnakin Phatra Securities Public Company Limited, Dao Fund Management Securities Company Limited, Trinity Watthana Public Company Limited, InnovestX Company Limited, Kingsford Securities Company Limited, Krung Thai X Spring Securities Company Limited, Asia Wealth Securities Company Limited 2023, KGI Securities (Thailand) Public Company Limited, and Land and Houses Public Company Limited. Charges have been brought against 4 suspects and a total of 77 witnesses have been interviewed, including the Stock Exchange of Thailand and witnesses confirming the relationships of the suspect group. Securities company officials have submitted asset information to the Anti-Money Laundering Office (AMLO), resulting in the freezing of

34 asset accounts totaling approximately 4 billion baht. Additionally, the Prime Minister has appointed police officers from the Central Investigation Bureau to assist the Department of Special Investigation in this special case, in accordance with Section 33 of the Special Case Investigation Act. A joint meeting is scheduled for next week.

DSI welcomed Vietnamese Delegation during Study Visit on Dealing with Statelessness

On Thursday 30 November 2023, Deputy Director General Police Captain Wisanu Chimtrakool, together with Director of Foreign Affairs and Transnational Crime Bureau and Director of Justice Enhancement Affairs Bureau,



welcomed a Vietnamese delegation led by Mr. Nham Ngoc Hien, Deputy Director General of the Department of Civil Registration, Nationality and Authentication, Ministry of Justice of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam as well as representatives from the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) at Meeting Room 1 on 1st floor at the DSI Headquarters. The goals of this visit were to initiate bilateral inter-agency cooperation, to share each party's information and experience obtained from working in the field of statelessness, and to learn about the tools and mechanisms employed by DSI to deal with the problem and help stateless persons in Thailand.

December 2023

DSI dispatches representatives to attend the International Meeting “AICHR Consultation on Freedom of Opinion and Expression (FOE) in ASEAN 2023” in Jakarta, Indonesia

The Ministry of Justice has assigned the Department of Special Investigation (DSI) to dispatch representatives to attend the international meeting AICHR Consultation on Freedom of Opinion and Expression (FOE) in ASEAN 2023 in Jakarta, Indonesia and to participate in presentation on the topic of "Sharing Practices, Experiences, Challenges in Dealing with the Spread of Hate Speech, Misinformation, and Disinformation in the era of post-pandemic: Freedom of opinion and expression and the digitally connected ASEAN community in the post-pandemic era: challenges, opportunities, and future pathways.



The Director-General of the DSI then assigned Ms. Arunsri Wichawut, Director of Bureau of Special Case Management, and Ms. Thamonwan Chanittaranun, a Foreign Relations Officer of the Technology and Cyber Crime, as Thailand's representatives to participate in delivering a presentation at the international meeting which took place on December 1-2, 2023, at the Le Meridien Jakarta Hotel in Jakarta, Indonesia.

Ms. Wichawut and Ms. Chanittaranun presented the mission, duty, and authority of the DSI, as well as the management and challenges in dealing with the spread of misinformation, disinformation, and hate speech against the DSI and Thailand. The DSI representatives also presented the government's policy of

establishing a committee to prevent, suppress, and solve the problem of disseminating false information on social media. The news group deemed necessary for monitoring fell into five categories: natural disasters, health, economics, government policies, and online frauds. In the meeting, the DSI's mission of preventing and suppressing online frauds was greatly focused on, and viewed as complex yet essential.

DSI arrests a company board member for importing 4 Lamborghinis, evading over 59 million baht in taxes

On Tuesday, December 5, 2023, officers from Taskforce 2 of the Surveillance and Intelligence Center, under the direction of Mr. Witthawat Sukkantharos, Director of the Surveillance and Intelligence Center, cooperated with police officers from the Investigation and Suppression Sub-Division Immigrant Division 2. The team apprehended Ms. Kochaphon (surname withheld), a suspect under 4 warrant arrest (for 4 special cases) issued by the Criminal Court. She was charged with jointly importing goods through or in the process of customs formalities into the country by avoiding or attempting to avoid paying the due duties intentionally, thus defrauding the customs tax as per the Customs Act, B.E. 2560 (2017), and the Criminal Code, as follows:

1. Criminal Court's arrest warrant No. 4324/2566, dated November 22, 2023, in special case No. 206/2565.
2. Criminal Court's arrest warrant No. 4328/2566, dated November 22, 2023, in special case No. 177/2565.
3. Criminal Court's arrest warrant No. 4332/2566, dated November 22, 2023, in special case No. 175/2565.

- Criminal Court's arrest warrant No. 4336/2566, dated November 22, 2023, in special case No. 172/2565.

This case originates from Ms. Kochaphon being a board member of a certain luxury car import company. She was involved in the importation of 4 Lamborghini cars during July and October 2013. These imports led to the launch of special



cases Nos. 172/2565, 175/2565, 177/2565, and 206/2565, involving tax evasion totaling over 59 million baht. As the proceedings progressed, the suspect was not present to face the charges. Consequently, the special case inquiry officials requested the court issue an arrest warrant and a wanted notice. Subsequently, on December 5, 2023, officers from Investigation and Suppression Sub-Division, Immigrant Division 2 found that the suspect was about to travel abroad. They coordinated with the officers from the Surveillance and Intelligence Center for the arrest. The arrest was made at the passenger terminal, Immigration Exit Zone 2, 4th Floor, Suvarnabhumi Airport, Nong Prue, Bang Phli, Samut Prakan Province.



The suspect was informed of the charges and her legal rights before being transferred to the special case inquiry officials of the Special Operations Bureau, who is responsible for the special case investigation, to proceed with the legal process.

DSI signed an MOU as part of the Joint Operations Center to Solve the Problem of Nominees in the Tourism Business

On December 13, 2023, the Department of Tourism (DOT), Ministry of Tourism and Sports (MOTS), held a signing ceremony for a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on the resolution of the problem of tourism businesses using Thai people as nominees. The MOU is a collaboration of 6 agencies, including the DOT, Office of Permanent Secretary of the MOTS, the Department of Business Development (DBD), the DSI, Tourist Police Bureau, and Immigration Bureau. This signing ceremony was presided over and witnessed by Mr. Kittti Chaodee, Secretary to the MOTS, at Centra by Centara Government & Convention Chaeng Watthana. On behalf of the DSI, Police Captain Piya Raksakul, Deputy Director-General, signed the MOU.

Within the scope of cooperation, the DOT will establish a joint operations center to solve the problem of tourism businesses using Thai people as nominees, abbreviated as "สปต.", which is located at the DOT. It will also establish a working group with relevant agencies to solve this problem together under the framework of four areas of cooperation: 1. Business registration and licensing, 2. Information sharing, 3. Supervision and prevention, and 4. Tourism business promotion, in order to raise the standard and quality of tourism businesses for sustainability.



Initially, the focus will be on identifying companies that are at risk, such as companies with foreign shareholders. These companies must be checked to make

sure that foreign shareholders do not hold more than 49.99% of shares. If it does not exceed this limit, the next step is to see if they have control over the company's internal management and have more voting rights than Thai shareholders who hold 51% of the shares. If so, then they may be considered nominees.

Bureau of Consumer Protection Crime of the Department of Special Investigation (DSI) collaborated with officials from the Department of Agriculture to seize 144,200 liters of hazardous glyphosate substance, valued at approximately 17 million baht, as evidence in legal proceedings

On December 22, 2023, the Department of Special Investigation would like to report on the operations of the Consumer Protection Bureau, under the supervision of Police Major Yutthana Praedam, Deputy Director General, Acting Director General, Department of Special Investigation,



and Police Lieutenant Colonel Phayao Thongsen, Deputy Director General. They assigned Police Lieutenant Colonel Anurak Rojananirankit, Director of the Bureau of Consumer Protection Crime, along with his officers, to work in coordination with the Department of Agriculture. They executed search warrants on three locations to seek evidence, documents, and computer data related to the illegal activities of Rainbow AgroSciences Co., Ltd. This company is accused of illegally importing glyphosate-isopropylammonium from abroad for sale to agricultural chemical producers. This investigation is classified as Special Case No. 79/2566. The case stems from the actions of a group of individuals who imported glyphosate, which is a type-3 hazardous substance, and falsely declared it through customs as 2,4-D dimethylammonium. This conduct is a violation of

sections 23 paragraph one and 45 (1), in conjunction with Sections 47 (2) and 45 (4) of the Hazardous Substances Act, B.E. 2535 (1992), the Customs Act, B.E. 2560 (2017), and other related offenses. Due to its potential for harm, including the risk of causing cancer or, in high doses, death, glyphosate is a type-3 hazardous substance that the state has placed restrictions on.



Additionally, on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, the special investigation team collaborated with officials from the Department of Agriculture to conduct searches at Rainbow AgroSciences Co., Ltd., located in Wang Thonglang district, Bangkok, and AgroIris (Thailand) Co.,

Ltd., located in Yan Nawa district, Bangkok. These companies are importers and distributors of glyphosate products that were previously seized. Subsequently, on Thursday, December 21, 2023, the officials expanded their investigation with a criminal court search warrant to inspect V.C.S. Agro Chem Co., Ltd. in Lam Luk Ka district, Pathum Thani province, which is related to the purchase and storage of glyphosate. The search aimed to find evidence related to the transaction of the confiscated goods and their criminal nexus. The investigation successfully uncovered evidence related to the case and found a total of 721 drums of glyphosate, a type-3 hazardous substance, amounting to 144,200 liters worth approximately 17 million baht. These were seized as evidence in the case and handed over to the Department of Agriculture for storage at the Rubber Research Center in Chachoengsao province. The Bureau of Consumer Protection Crime team will continue to extend the investigation to all individuals involved in these offenses.

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