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Deep-South Multi-Stakeholder Dialogue: Advancing Access to Justice and Human Rights in Conflict Situation

Wednesday June 27th, 2012

Park Ventures Ecoplex, Wireless Road, Bangkok

19.00-19.30	Registration
19.30-19.45	Welcome Note <i>Mr. Clauspeter Hill</i> , Representative to Thailand, Konrad Adenauer Foundation
19.45-20.00	Keynote Speech <i>Professor Dr. Amara Pongsapich</i> , Chairperson, National Human Rights Commission of Thailand
20.00-20.45	Civil-Military Cooperation in Achieving Human Security in Conflict Situation <i>Major General Nakrob Boonbuathong</i> Deputy Director General of the 5 th Operations Coordination Center, Internal Security Operations Command <i>Mr. Artef Sohko</i> , Coordinator, Youth for Peace and Development Academy [YDA] <i>Ms. Li Saengsanthitam</i> , European-Union Project Manager Konrad Adenauer Foundation
20.45 -21.30	Advanced Case Studies Presentation of selected Deep-South defense case and strategic litigation <i>Mr. Sittipong Chantaraviroj</i> , Senior Lawyer-Chairperson, Muslim Attorney Center <i>Mr. Kitcha Ali-ishok</i> , Senior Lawyer, Muslim Attorney Center <i>Mr. Preeda Nakpeaw</i> , Lawyer, Cross Cultural Foundation <i>Ms. Preeda Tongchumnum</i> , Legal Coordinator, Cross Cultural Foundation Commented by <i>Mr. Phairoj Pholphet</i> , Commissioner, Thai Law Reform Commission (TLRC)
21.30-22.00	Q&A with Ms. Pornpen Khongkachonkiet , Woman Human Rights Defender of Thailand Year 2008, KAS 50th Anniversary Reception
22.00-22.45	KAS Policy for Global Development <i>Dr. Guido Westerwelle</i> , Foreign Minister, the Federal Republic of Germany (Live Speech)



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Program rationale

The prolonged conflict in Thailand's Deep-South Provinces of Yala, Pattani, Narathiwat and Songkla, is one of the greatest challenges facing every concerned party from government, national security agencies to civil society organizations. Since 2004, the inexorable violence has caused more than 5,000 lives and countless injuries. The relentless conflict devastates livelihood and causes stagnation of local economy. In the pursuit of peace settlement in the region, the justice system is being seen as a key measure coping with disputes among several discordant actors. Despite the past achievement of conventional justice system in resolving number of disputes, the aggression of the violence continues unabated.

Overtime, it is believed that the underlying causes of the intractable conflict indeed resulted from a long-term mistrust between state and local communities. Loss of trust is leading to lack of efficient cooperation from civilians in the region. The grievances from the unjust system and frequent misconduct of law enforcement officials have been amplified and considered as a major hindrance in the establishment of functioning civil-military cooperation.

Besides the transparent and well-functioning system of "Access to Justice", the frequent dialogues aimed at promoting human rights awareness among enforcement officials as well as related stakeholders are considered one of the most crucial elements for sustainable conflict resolution. By acknowledging the necessity, the project aims at promoting open discussion and intellectual dialogue particularly on the issue of "Access to Justice" and "Human Rights Awareness in Conflict Situation". The constructive discussion platform will place an emphasis on the possible approach to increase cooperation and foster a more sympathetic view between state authorities and local communities. The multi-stakeholder dialogue **"Advancing Access to Justice and Human Rights in Conflict Situation"** will be jointly organized by the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS), the European Union (EU), Cross Cultural Foundation (CrCF) and Muslim Attorney Center (MAC) on 27th June, 2012 in Bangkok. An open Q&A platform as well as networking opportunities within and between cross-sectored social groups, civil societies, academicians, militaries and authorities will be encouraged throughout the event.

On the same occasion, KAS will celebrate its 50th year anniversary of successful international cooperation worldwide. The foundation's global development projects aim at promoting rule of law, peace and democracy. Live speech of Germany's chancellor Angela Merkel will be broadcasted during the event. The statement will highlight KAS's worldwide engagement in responding to the global needs and challenges at present and in the future.