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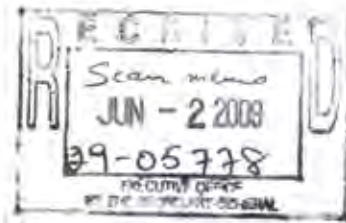
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Dear Mr. Nambiar,

Please find attached a petition by the Pueathai political party of the Royal Thai Government to the UN Secretary-General which was delivered to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNOHCHR) Regional Office for South-East Asia in Bangkok, Thailand, on 13 May 2009.

Also attached, for your information, are copies of identity cards, photographs and two DVDs of the incidents which came with the petition, as well as a copy of the cover letter from UNOHCHR addressed to me.

I would be grateful if you could proceed with necessary actions. Should you need any support from the UN Country Team, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you and regards,

Yours sincerely,

Gwi-Yeon Son
UN Resident Coordinator

Mr. Vijay Nambiar
Chef de Cabinet
Executive Office of the Secretary-General
United Nations
New York
USA

cc: Mr. Homayoun Alizadeh
Regional Representative, OHCHR Regional Office for South-East Asia, Bangkok

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1. Copy of cover letter by OHCHR
 2. Petition
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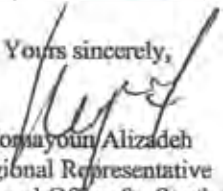
Dear Gwi,

Following our internal memos, shared via email on 11 and 12 May respectively, on the submission of a petition by the Pueathai Party to the UN, I would like to inform you that a delegation composed of three persons (Ambassador Pittaya Pukaman; Mr. Prompong, Spokesperson Person of the Pueathai Party and Mr. Sean Boonpracong, International Spokesman also of the Pueathai Party) came to the OHCHR Regional Office for South-East Asia on 13 May and requested us to forward a letter to the Secretary-General, Mr. Ban Ki-Moon.

In their submission, the Pueathai Party representatives through the Secretary-General would like to file a petition to the Human Rights Council and the High Commissioner for Human Rights to inquire with the Royal Thai Government about the reported incidents occurred from 26 March to 14 April 2009 in Bangkok during the crackdown of the so called "Red Shirts" demonstrations and to launch an investigation on the reported use of force by the security forces. Ambassador Pittaya Pukaman claimed that during the crackdown of the demonstrations three people died and 17 are still reportedly missing. The delegation, however, did not provide documentation in regards to any official denunciation from the relatives of the reported missing to the authorities.

I kindly request you to forward this letter to the Office of the Secretary-General. Please find the letter attached. Please note that a similar letter has been addressed also to the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Ms. Navanathem Pillay. It would therefore be important that the Office of the Secretary-General and OHCHR coordinate on the possible response.

Yours sincerely,


Homayoun Alizadeh
Regional Representative

OHCHR Regional Office for South-East Asia

To:

Ms. Gwi-Yeop Son
UN Resident Coordinator - Thailand
UNDP Resident Representative – Thailand

Cc:

Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, USG and Executive Secretary of UNESCAP;
Mr. Anders Kompass, Chief, Field Operations and Technical Cooperation Division,
OHCHR, Geneva.