## PROTECTION FOR THE OPERATION OF THE ORGANISATION FOR THE PROHIBITION OF CHEMICAL WEAPONS ACT, B.E. 2545 (2002)

## BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ, REX.

Given on the 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of September B.E. 2545; Being the 57<sup>th</sup> Year of the Present Reign.

His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej is graciously pleased to proclaim that:

Whereas it is expedient to have a law on protection for the operation of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons;

Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, by and with the advice and consent of the National Assembly, as follows:

**Section 1.** This Act is called the "Protection for the Operation of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons Act, B.E. 2545".

**Section 2.** This Act shall come into force as from the day following the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.\*

## **Section 3.** In this Act:

"Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons" means the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction opened for signature since 13<sup>th</sup> January, B.E. 2536;

"Organisation" means the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons established in pursuant of the Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons.

- **Section 4.** In order to provide protection for the operation of the Organisation in Thailand for the achievement of its objectives:
- (1) the Organisation is recognised as a juristic person having its domicile in Thailand;
- (2) the Organisation, delegates of States Parties together with their alternates and advisers, representatives appointed to the Executive Council together with their alternates and advisers, the Director-General and staffs of the Organisation, staffs of the Technical Secretariat, Inspectors and Inspection Assistants, members of the Inspection Team and Observers, including living quarters and office premises occupied by the Inspection Team carrying out inspection activities in pursuance of the Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, papers and correspondence as well as records of the Inspection Team, samples and approved equipments carried by members of the Inspection Team as specified in the Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons shall enjoy such privileges and immunities as specified in the

<sup>\*</sup>Published in the Government Gazette Vol. 119, Part 95 Kor, dated 27<sup>th</sup> September B.E. 2545 (2002).

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Remark: Reference to Thai legislation in any jurisdiction shall be made to the Thai version only. This translation has been made so as to establish correct understanding about this Act to foreigners.

Convention on the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons during the period of their performance of duties in Thailand or their entering into Thailand for the performance of duties or of their performance of any missions in relation to the Organisation.

**Section 5.** The Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Industry shall have charge and control of the execution of this Act.

Countersigned by:
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Prime Minister