**The Cabinet met on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at Burirum Rajabhat University, Burirum province. Some of the resolutions are as follows:**

**Title: Endorsement of draft Declaration on the Framework to Minimize the Harmful Effects of Fake News**

The cabinet approved the following proposals made by Office of the Prime Minister (Public Relations Department):

1. Approved draft Declaration on the Framework to Minimize the Harmful Effects of Fake News
2. Approved for Minister Attached to the Prime Minister’s Office (Kobsak Pootrakool), as head of the Thai delegation to the 14th meeting of ASEAN Ministers Responsible for Information (AMRI), to endorse the document.
3. Should there be an amendment prior to the endorsement, if not affecting gist of the document or against national interests, Office of the Prime Minister (Public Relations Department) is authorized to proceed without having to submit to the cabinet for its consideration.

The Declaration on the Framework to Minimize the Harmful Effects of Fake News aims to endorse cooperation between ASEAN member countries in minimizing harmful effects of fake news. Various measures and schemes will be implemented, such as, empowering and promoting social responsibility among ASEAN media and press, maximizing use of online social media and ensuring internet security, creating awareness of ASEAN citizens to minimize spread of fake news, promoting credibility of public sector’s information, exchanging excellent practices and experiences in minimizing harmful effects of fake news, etc.

**Title: Negotiation framework between Thailand and Sri Lanka on Free Trade Agreement (FTA)**

The cabinet approved negotiation framework between Thailand and Sri Lanka on Free Trade Agreement (FTA), as proposed by Ministry of Commerce.

Negotiation framework on Thailand-Sri Lanka FTA will cover 20 issues as follows: 1) trade, 2) customs, 3) rules of origin, 4) trade protection and remedy measures, 5) balance-of-payments measures, 6) sanitary and phytosanitary measures, 7) technical barriers to trade, 8) trade cooperation and facilitation, 9) trade and services, 10) investment, 11) intellectual properties, 12) competition, 13) e-commerce, 14) public procurement, 15) environment, 16) labor, 17) consumer protection, 18) state dispute settlement, 19) transparency, and 20) others.

**Title: Draft Memorandum of Cooperation between Thailand’s Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment and Japan’s Ministry of Environment on environmental cooperation**

The cabinet approved the following proposals made by Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment:

1. Approved draft Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) between Thailand’s Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment and Japan’s Ministry of Environment on environmental cooperation. Should there be an amendment, if not affecting gist of the document or against national interests, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment is authorized to proceed without having to submit to the cabinet for its consideration.
2. Approved Minister of Natural Resources and Environment or a representative as signatory of the draft MOC

The draft MOC is aimed to facilitate and develop environmental cooperation in 9 areas: 1) mitigation and adaption to climate change, 2) waste management, 3) environmental technology, 4) plan and policy on natural resources and environment, 5) conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and other natural resources related to both parties, 6) prevention of pollution and quality control (water, air pollution), 7) marine and coastal management, 8) multi-lateral agreement on environment, and 9) other areas to be confirmed by both parties. The MOC will take effect on the day of signing for the period of 5 years

**Title: Approval for implementation of Country Programme (CP) between Kingdom of Thailand and Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)**

The cabinet approved the following proposals made by Ministry of Foreign Affairs:

1. Approved the Memorandum of Understanding a Country Programme between The Government of the Kingdom of Thailand and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Should there be an amendment, if not affecting gist of the document or against national interests, Ministry of Foreign Affairs is authorized to proceed without having to submit to the cabinet for its consideration.
2. Approved Minister Attached to Prime Minister’s Office (Kobsak Pootrakool) or a representative as signatory of the MOU. Ministry of Foreign Affairs is to issue the Full Powers to the signatory.
3. Approved the budget of 121,278,200 Baht for the implementation of CP from FY2017 budget (central budget for contingency).

Four areas of cooperation are covered under the MOU: 1) public sector’s good governance and transparency, 2) business environment and competitiveness, 3) Thailand 4.0, and 4) inclusive growth.

**Title: Endorsement of joint statements for High-Level Political Meeting of the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI)**

The cabinet approved for Thailand’s endorsement of 4 joint statements for High-Level Political Meeting of the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI) to be held during May 15-17, 2018 in Paris, Republic of France. This is as proposed by Office of the National Security Council. The 4 joint statements are:

1. Joint Statement on Ensuring a Robust Initiative
2. Joint Statement on Enhancing Critical Interdiction Capabilities and Practices
3. Joint Statement on Expanding Strategic Communications
4. Joint Statement on Strengthening Authorities for Action

Should there be an amendment, if not affecting gist of the documents, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as head of the Thai delegation, is authorized to proceed without having to submit to the cabinet for its consideration.