

PROTECTION OF THE OPERATION OF THE ASIAN-PACIFIC POSTAL UNION  
HEAD OFFICE ACT,  
B.E. 2551 (2008)

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BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ, REX;  
Given on the 6<sup>th</sup> Day of February B.E. 2551 (2008);  
Being the 63<sup>rd</sup> Year of the Present Reign.

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

Whereas it is expedient to have an improvement on the law on the protection of the operation of the Asian Pacific Postal Training Center Act;

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

**Section 1.** This Act is called the “Protection of the Operation of the Asian Pacific Postal Union Head Office Act, B.E. 2551 (2008)”.

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

**Section 3.** The Protection of the Operation of the Asian Pacific Postal Training Center Act B.E. 2533 (1990) shall be repealed.

**Section 4.** In this Act;

“Office” means the Head Office of the Asian-Pacific Postal Union;

“Property” includes the Office’s equipment and materials for training maintenance costs, capital fund and all other properties belonging to the Asian Pacific Postal Union Head Office, along with the total revenue of the Asian Pacific Postal Union.

**Section 5.** The Office shall be recognized as a juristic person, and be deemed to have a domicile in Thailand.

**Section 6.** The Office shall receive the immunities and exemption from the following:

(1) Properties of the Office will not be under any expropriation measures, except the expropriation for the public interest and where the due compensation is paid;

(2) Properties of the Office, which are used for the administration and management of the Office for training and research, or properties used as the dormitory and residents of the Office director or other officials that is located within the Office’s area will be exempted from building and land taxes in accordance with the law on building and land tax, local maintenance tax in accordance with the law on local maintenance tax and local tax in accordance with the law on local tax, after the Office has received official permission for tax exemption from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;

(3) Vehicles and other goods imported by the Office into the Kingdom of Thailand for the use in its official missions shall all be exempted from the import duties after the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has approved such importation. Nevertheless, these vehicles and goods cannot be later sold or transferred within the Kingdom of Thailand unless in

**Section 7.** After having received the permission from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Director, Deputy Director, postal consultants, and academic officials of the Office shall be exempt from the following:

(1) Personal income tax for, or related to, salary and gratuity paid by the Office;

(2) Customs on the personal and household imported goods, not including vehicles, within 6 months after the first assumption of duty in Thailand, with the condition that those imported goods will not later be sold or transferred within the Kingdom of Thailand, unless in accordance with the laws and procedures enforced in the Kingdom of Thailand;

(3) Limitations under the immigration law on the number of people entering the Kingdom and the authorized period of stay in the Kingdom in accordance with the necessity of duty. This includes the spouse and children under the responsibility of the concerned person.

The first paragraph of this section does not apply to the Thai nationals, or those having permanent residence in the Kingdom of Thailand.

**Section 8.** The Office shall receive services on communication no less than what the Government has provided for other international organizations in the Kingdom of Thailand, including the service's sequence order, fees, and any other payments due for official communication services.

**Section 9.** The Minister of Foreign Affairs shall have charge and control of the execution of this Act.

Countersigned by  
*General Surayud Chulanont*  
Prime Minister

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