

(Unofficial Translation)

Notification of the Ministry of Interior

Re : Permission for Certain Groups of Aliens to Remain in the Kingdom as a Special Case

(No. 2)

Pursuant to the Notification of the Ministry of Interior on the Permission for Certain Groups of Aliens to Remain in the Kingdom as a Special Case issued on 7 April B.E. 2563 (2020) extending the period of time permitted for stay in the Kingdom under Section 35 of the Immigration Act B.E. 2522 (1979) and the period of time for the notification of residence under Section 37 (5) of the Immigration Act B.E. 2522 (1979) for aliens who have been permitted a temporary stay in the Kingdom according to their type of visa (including Visa on Arrival) and aliens who have been permitted a temporary stay in the Kingdom according to their visa exemption privileges (P. 30/PP. 14/ PP. 30/PP. 90) as from 26 March B.E. 2563 (2020) to 30 April B.E. 2563 (2020);

Considering that the situation regarding the outbreak of the communicable disease Coronavirus 2019 or COVID-19 has not yet been resolved and continues to persist in Thailand and in other countries across all regions of the world, causing the closure of border crossing points by land, water and air in various countries; also the Regulation issued under Section 9 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situations B.E. 2548 (2005), in which Clause 3 on the Closure of Point of Entry into the Kingdom prescribes the closure of points of entry into or departure from the Kingdom by closing points of entry, checkpoints, border crossings or border checkpoints for travellers entering into the Kingdom; and measures taken by the Ministry of Public Health to prevent the widespread outbreak of the disease, thereby affecting the entry into or departure from the Kingdom, including the stay in the Kingdom of certain groups of aliens;

By virtue of Section 5 of the Immigration Act B.E. 2522 (1979) as amended by the Announcement of the National Council for Peace and Order No. 87/2557 on the Amendment Regarding Persons in Charge of the Execution of the Laws Concerning the Powers and Duties of Police Officers issued on 10 July B.E. 2557 (2014), and Section 17 of the Immigration Act B.E. 2522 (1979), the Prime Minister and the Minister of Interior, by the approval of the Council of Ministers on 21 April B.E. 2563 (2020), hereby issue the following notification:

1. The period of time permitted for stay in the Kingdom under Section 35 of the Immigration Act B.E. 2522 (1979) (including under the Petroleum Act B.E. 2514 (1971) and its Amendments, the Investment Promotion Act B.E. 2520 (1977) and its Amendments, and the Industrial Estate Authority of Thailand Act B.E. 2522 (1979) and its Amendments) or in accordance with the relevant notifications of the Ministry of Interior, Clause 2 (1) of the Notification of the Ministry of Interior on the Permission for Certain Groups of Aliens to Remain in the Kingdom as a Special Case issued on 7 April B.E. 2563 (2020), shall be temporarily extended as from 1 May B.E. 2563 (2020) to 31 July B.E. 2563 (2020);

2. The period of time for the notification of residence under Section 37 (5) of the Immigration Act B.E. 2522 (1979) or in accordance with the relevant notifications of the Ministry of Interior, Clause 2 (2) of the Notification of the Ministry of Interior on the Permission for Certain Groups of Aliens to Remain in the Kingdom as a Special Case issued on 7 April B.E. 2563 (2020), shall be extended as from 1 May B.E. 2563 (2020) to 31 July B.E. 2563 (2020).

This Notification shall come into effect from 1 May B.E. 2563 (2020).

Issued on 23 April B.E. 2563 (2020)

(General Prayut Chan-o-cha)
Prime Minister

(General Anupong Paojinda)
Minister of Interior