

Dr. Sukit Atthopakon, Advisor to the Speaker of the House of Representatives gave statement

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On Monday 19 October 2020, at 14.15 hrs., at the Press Conference Room, 1st floor, Parliament Building, Dr. Sukit Atthopakon, Advisor to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, gave the statement concerning the outcome of the discussion in the meeting among H.E. Mr. Chuan Leekpai, President of the National Assembly and Speaker of the House of Representatives, the representatives from the government sector and the MPs from both of government and opposition parties in order to find a solution to the situation of the protests that took place and appeared to escalate. The meeting resolved to request the President of the National Assembly sending a letter to the Prime Minister to ask for the cabinet to endorse the enactment of Royal Decree to call an extraordinary session of the National Assembly B.E.2563 (2020), to give all related parties an opportunity to discuss, as well as, express their opinions and clarify facts to create mutual understanding and reduce conflicts. The cabinet should conduct the hearing from Members of the House of Representatives and Senators by requesting a general debate in joint sittings, according to the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand, Section 165.

At the moment, H.E. Mr. Chuan Leekpai, President of the National Assembly, had already signed that letter and sent to the Prime Minister. The opening of the meeting will help all parties to discuss and find a solution to resolve the problem according to the democratic system within parliamentary powers and authority framework. As for the meeting schedule, we have to wait for a reply from the government.