



Prime Minister General Prayut Chan-o-cha made an announcement on the declaration of a "serious emergency situation" in Bangkok on Thursday, 15 October 2020, at 04.00 hr.

The announcement of the declaration is as follows:

In pursuant to the earlier situation where certain groups of perpetrators intended to instigate an untoward incident and movement in the Bangkok area by way of various methods and via different channels, including causing obstruction to the royal motorcade, which is a violation of the Public Assembly Law and the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand and probable causes to chaos and incitement of conflict and public disorder, thus, affecting national security and safety of the public and properties, COVID-19 pandemic control measures, and the nations vulnerable economic security;

It is, therefore, extremely necessary for an urgent measure to be implemented in order to end the situation in an efficient and prompt manner, to ensure compliance with the law, and to sustain national order and public interest.

On the authority of Sections 5 and 11 of the Emergency Decree on Public Administration in Emergency Situation, B.E. 2548, the Prime Minister has made an announcement on the declaration of a Serious Emergency Situation in Bangkok from 15 October 2020 at 0400hrs onward.

Announced on 15 October 2020

General Prayut Chan-o-cha

Prime Minister