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Special Announcement of COVID-19 On 15 April 2020

1. From 5 January to 15 April 2020 (as of 7:00 a.m.), There have been 1,995,947 confirmed cases and 126,537 deaths worldwide. The three countries reporting the most cases include the United States with 612,320 confirmed cases and 25,989 deaths, Spain with 174,060 confirmed cases and 18,255 deaths, and the Italian Republic with 162,488 confirmed cases and 21,067 deaths.

2. On 14 April 2020 at 4.00 p.m., 92 cases in Thailand recovered and were discharged (total of 1,497 cases), 1,103 being treated in hospitals, and 30 new COVID-19 cases were confirmed (the 2,614th - 2,643rd cases), which include:

<u>The first group</u>: 19 cases who had a history of close contact with previous cases. (The cases were found in Pattani, Yala, Chumphon, Phuket, Nonthaburi, and Bangkok)

The second group: Three additional confirmed cases with the details as follows:

2.1 One Thai confirmed case who returned from abroad (France)

2.2 Two confirmed cases who had travel history to crowded places including shopping malls, market places and tourist places

<u>The third group</u>: Seven cases with laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2 infection) and are pending further investigation

<u>The fourth group</u>: One confirmed case who returned from abroad and was under state quarantine (person returning from The United States).

Today, two fatal cases were reported.

<u>The first death</u> was a 65 year-old Thai woman who was a food vendor. She had underlying diseases including diabetes, chronic kidney disease, high blood pressure and her family member was suffering from COVID-19. She was admitted to a private hospital in Chiang Mai province with fever, cough, nasal discharge, and had been examined for COVID-19. The COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2 infection) was confirmed via laboratory results. She was referred for treatment at another hospital in Chiang Mai province. She died on 13 April 2020. The main cause of death was COVID-19 and the secondary cause of death was the last stage of chronic renal failure (she was the 42nd fatal case).

<u>The second case</u> was a 60 year-old Thai man who had history of attending an Isalamic religious ceremony in Indonesia. He was admitted to a hospital in Ayutthaya with symptoms including fever and muscle pain. After he was tested and diagnosed via positive laboratory results for SARS-COV-2, he died on 14 April 2020 (the 43rd fatal case). Currently, there are 1,497 cases who returned home, 1,103 cases who are being treated in hospitals with 43 fatal cases (a total of 2,643 COVID -19 cases).