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The Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations and, with reference to the latter's Note No. LA/COD/59/l dated 27 December 2023 regarding the submission of information and observations pursuant to operative paragraph 4 of General Assembly resolution 78/113 of 7 December 2023, entitled "The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction," has the honour to transmit herewith Thailand's submission as appears in the attachment.

The Permanent Mission of Thailand to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations the assurances of its high consideration.

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## Jurisdiction of Thai court to hear cases involving certain offences committed outside the Kingdom of Thailand, which do not necessarily have any link with Thailand, the Thai Government, or Thai nationals

- 1. Under the Thai Penal Code, the Thai Court has jurisdiction to hear cases involving certain offences committed outside the Kingdom of Thailand, which do not necessarily have any link with Thailand, the Thai government, or Thai nationals as follows:
  - 1.1 Offences related to terrorism (Section 7(1/1));
- 1.2 Offences related to counterfeiting and alteration of money, government stamps, certificates representing shares or debentures, and bills (Section 7(2));
  - 1.3 Offences related to sex trafficking (Section 7(2 bis));
  - 1.4 Offences of robbery committed on the high seas (acts of piracy) (Section 7(3)).
- 2. Additionally, the Thai Court has jurisdiction to hear cases involving certain offences committed outside the Kingdom of Thailand, which do not necessarily have any link with Thailand, the Thai government, or Thai nationals, in accordance with certain Acts enacted to implement international treaties to which Thailand is a party, such as:
- 2.1 Offences related to human trafficking, under Sections 6 and 11 of the Anti-Human Trafficking Act, B.E. 2551 (2008), enacted to implement the 2000 United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime, and the 2000 Protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.
- 2.2 Offences related to participation in transnational organised crime, under Sections 5 and 6 of the Prevention and Suppression of Involvement in Transnational Organised Crime Act, B.E. 2556 (2013), enacted to implement the 2000 United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime.
- 2.3 Offences related to torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, and enforced disappearance, under Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8 of the Prevention and Suppression of Torture and Enforced Disappearance Act, B.E. 2565 (2022), enacted to implement the 1984 United Nations Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman, or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, and the 2006 International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.

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