

The 21st Notification of Council for Democratic Reform under Constitutional Monarchy
Re: Prohibition on wiretaps via telephone or any other communication devices

Priory, there had been illegal actions of eavesdropping, utilization, or disclosure of messages that were communicated via telephone or other communication devices. Such actions violated the rights and freedom of individuals in communication, leading to widespread mistrust among users.

Therefore, in order to protect the lawfully freedom in communication as well as to maintain domestic order and peace, the Council for Democratic Reform under Constitutional Monarchy shall declare as follow:

(1) Anyone who wiretaps, utilizes or discloses messages that were communicated via telephone or other communication devices without legitimate permissions shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or a fine not more than one hundred thousand baht or both.

(2) Anyone who acknowledges messages that were illegally acquired as specified in (1), then utilizes or discloses them to others without legitimate permissions shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years or a fine not more than one hundred thousand baht or both.

(3) Anyone who uses of it for others to commit an offense under paragraph (1) or (2) shall be liable to double punishment as prescribed in (1) or (2) depending on the case.

(4) If the offender is an authorized telephone or communications service provider or a concessionaire of such services, other than bearing a penalty as specified in (1), (2), or (3) depending on the case, those licenses or concessions shall be terminated altogether.

Thus, will come into force a day following a publication in the Government Gazette.

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