



## Dear Members of Amnesty International Thailand,

As the Annual General Meeting of Amnesty International Thailand on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at Big Co-working Space has had the resolution to appoint Ms. Parinya Boonridrerthaikul as the Chair and to appoint Mr. Netiwit Chotiphathaisal as the Youth Board Member of the Association, The Board Committee would like to inform all parties, as follows:

1. On 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018, the Registrar of Bangkok Association has decided not to accept the registration of Mr. Netiwit Chotiphathaisal on the ground that he has had inappropriate conducts in the past deemed unfit for this role. The Amnesty International Thailand Committee has convened a consultation on this matter and found that Mr. Netiwit Chotiphathaisal was eligible and not in possession of any unwanted qualities, which prevented him from holding the position of Youth Board Member. Thus, the Board has decided to file an appeal on the decision of the registrar of the Association to the Minister of Interior. The appeal is now under consideration. In the meanwhile, the Board allows Mr. Netiwit Chotiphathaisal to continue to participate in the Board's activities as usual.

2. On 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2019, Ms. Parinya Boonridrerthaikul has submitted a letter to resign from her position as the Chair of the Board because her current full-time work had limited her capacity to fulfill this role. The change was effective from the said date.

These two incidents have led the positions of the Chair and Youth Board Member to be vacant and the board to have fewer than five members, which didn't meet Article 15 (1) of the Association's Statute, which states that the board must, at any particular point, have no fewer than five members, and not exceed nine members. As a consequence, the registrar couldn't register the new board members elected by the 2019 Annual General Meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019. However, according to Article 15 (9), in case a board position becomes prematurely vacant, the Board has the authority to appoint an interim Board member to fill the position. The interim will serve until the end of that vacant positions term.

Therefore, the Board has resolved to appoint Mr. Apichart Pongsawat, a member, as a Chair, and Mr. Tattep Rueangpraphaikitserree, a member, as a Youth Board Member on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2019. The Registrar of Bangkok Association has already accepted the registration of the interim Board members. Furthermore, the Board has resolved that the 2020 Annual General Meeting be held by March 2020.

The Board Committee  
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