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To

General Prayut Chan-O-Cha

The Honourable Prime Minister of Thailand

Bangkok, THAILAND

Sub: Sincere request from the Buddhists of India to stop DSI and Police harassment perpetuated on **Wat Dhammakaya Foundation, THAILAND.**

Your Excellency,

We, the Buddhists of India would like to bring our deep concern and pain to your kind notice that the Buddhist Monastery and Buddhist Institution viz. Wat Dhammakaya Foundation and its abbot Most Venerable Dhammajayo have been accused and targeted by the administration of Thailand on several charges which are said to be fabricated purely based on pre-conceived notions and prejudices and intellectual fallacies just to undermine and destroy the activities and humanitarian services of Wat Dhammakaya Foundation. Wat Dhammakaya Foundation has been carrying out commendable services around the world propagating Buddha Dhamma for the welfare and benefit of all. The training programmes conducted by trainers of Wat Dhammakaya Foundation are praiseworthy which infuses a sense of discipline and healthy life among the students, teachers, novices and monks across the globe.

As we know, after the **Mahaparinibbana** of Tathagata, the Gautama Buddha, there have been several schools of thoughts in Buddhism and they all co-existed in harmony and mutual support. That is the beauty of Buddhism and it has set an exemplary way of life to the whole World as the religion of peace and everyone aspires to the Buddhist way of life and thought. Thus we need to protect Buddhism from internal and external threat and we expect Honourable Prime Minister of Thailand to protect all schools of Buddhism and allow them to thrive peacefully in the Kingdom of Thailand for peace and prosperity of all.

If Buddhism and Buddhist Institutions are not safe in the Buddhist Country where Honorable Prime Minister and the Majestic King are Buddhists, how can expect Buddhism to be protected in non-Buddhist countries such as Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Malaysia, Indonesia etc.? There might be philosophical or doctrinal difference among different schools of Buddhism that should not lead to mutually destructive

propaganda and destroy the basic spirit of Buddhism that is to establish peace and harmony in the society and in the individual life. If there is any difference, it should be sorted out and resolved amicably following the Middle Path and four Noble Truth Formal Paradigm as shown by the Buddha to resolve conflicts and bring peace and serenity.

And for any reason, if there is anything inappropriate done by Wat Dhammakaya Foundation or by its abbot or by any other person, we understand that there are several ways to sort out amicably anything related to Buddhist Sangha and Buddhist Monastery within the framework of laws of the land. Police force (DSI) or military is not at all a good option to deal with Buddhist Sangha and we sincerely urge the Thai Government to adopt the middle path approach to resolve the crisis pertaining to activities of Wat Dhammakaya Foundation. We sincerely hope and solicit support from Thai Buddhists and Thai Government to propagate Buddha Dhamma around the world to bring Peace and Serenity in the World which is burdened by conflicts, violence and war.

**May the Sublime Dhamma infuse Metta and Compassion in the mind of all
And rejuvenate the heart of everyone with love and understanding of Truth,
May Peace and Serenity prevail everywhere in the World.**

Be Happy!



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