## The result of the meeting between Admiral Kawano, Chief of Joint Staff and General Worapong Sanganetra, Chief of Defense Forces of Thailand

- 1. General Worapong Sanganetra, Chief of Defense Forces of Thailand paid an official visit to Japan from 29<sup>th</sup> July to 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2015, upon the invitation of Admiral Katsutoshi Kawano, Chief of Joint Staff, Japan Self-Defense Forces, and it has been 5 years since the last time Chief of Defense Forces of Thailand visited Japan.
- 2. In the meeting between Admiral Kawano and General Worapong today, they exchanged views on issues such as the security situation in the Asia-Pacific region and affirmed to promote the cooperation and exchanges between defense authorities of the two countries as decided upon at Japan-Thailand Summit Meeting in Feb 2015.
- 3. They affirmed to promote security cooperation on the shared recognition that ensuring peace and stability in the region is essential for achieving global prosperity. Especially, both agreed to cooperate in ADMM plus HA/DR experts' working group which Japan serves as co-chairs and Military Medicine experts' working group which Thailand serves as co-chairs to deepen mutual understanding and strengthen cooperative relations between regional countries include ASEAN countries.
- 4. Admiral Kawano expressed his appreciation for dispatching two naval officers of Thailand who graduated from National Defense Academy of Japan and understand Japan well to CTF151 Headquarter, its commander is designated Rear Admiral Ito, and agreed to continue to cooperate each other through such as Counter Piracy Operation.
- 5. General Worapong appreciated the warm hospitality extended by Admiral Kawano and welcomed continuing to participate in the Cobra Gold and personnel exchanges include sending students of Thailand to National Defense Academy of Japan and affirmed to promote the exchanges.

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