

Anti-Money Laundering Office (AMLO)

Press Release

Thailand ICRG On site Visit/Face – to – Face Meeting

May 7 - 11, 2013

At the FATF Plenary in February 2012, the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) placed Thailand in the Public Statement as country with strategic AML/CFT deficiencies.

Later, the FATF President sent the letter dated 12 March 2013 to inform the Minister of Justice of the meeting results regarding Thailand's performance improvement. The Plenary acknowledged that since Thailand has made significant progress in improving its AML/CFT refine therefore Thailand has been removed from the FATF Public Statement.

The FATF will conduct an onsite visit to confirm that the process of implementing the required reforms and action to address deficiencies previously identified by the FATF is underway.

The onsite visit is scheduled to take place on 7 and 8 May 2013. The Anti-Money Laundering Office will arrange the meeting for the onsite team to meet and discuss with involved agencies both public sectors and private sector. A short meeting with the Minister of Justice is also arranged on 7 May 2013 at 14.00 hr. to express high-level commitment to implementing overall AML/CFT measures.

On this occasion, AMLO also offered to host the RRG Face to Face Meeting from 9 to 11 May 2013 at which 11 jurisdictions will present their progress report of AML/CFT improvement to the Regional Review Group.