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I. General Statement

Whenever there is an oil spill, there is a race against time. Scientists have found various ways to recover the spilled oil. However, approaches introduced to each oil spill cases could be limited. No one is willing to see this thing happen, as it brings out both economic and ecological impact. It is a totally lost. Increase the regional cooperation and awareness is particular important to different stakeholders.

Thailand has had a great impact on crude oil spill in Thailand's eastern sea that leaves black streaks on popular resort beach in Koh Samet beach. Thailand immediately introduced the emergency handling treatment in which 600 soldiers and spill response specialist went there for evaluation and cleaning up process. PTT Global Chemical, a partially state owned oil company, has claimed responsibilities and involved in the cleanup.

Thailand has signed the "International Convention on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation". Thailand believes that strengthens the interchange of ideas could improve the coordination between countries as well as local departments.

I. Particulars

Thailand advocates cooperation between parties that are and are willing to be affected by oil spill in advisory services and technical support. Countries that keep out of the oil impact should help share the cost of the cleanup in order to protect the marine asset and environment. Before the accident is happened, Thailand believes a stricter regulation and supervision on drilling oil business should be introduced after a wild discussion of environmentalist, government representatives, scientists and oil companies so as to gear to an international standard. Thailand also encourages setting up a database with past oil spills treatment works and statists of the oil spill impacts on different life aspects for everyone's reference.