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Dear Sir and Madam,

Further to my letter No. 52101/646 dated 10 December B.E. 2561 (2018) transmitting the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Press Release on the case of Mr. Hakeem Ali Mohamed Alaraibi, a Bahraini national, I wish to provide latest update of the said case.

As a result of a bilateral discussion between H.E. Mr. Don Pramudwinai, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand and H.R.H. Prince Khalifa Bin Salman Al Khalifa, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain on 10 February 2019, the Office of the Attorney-General decided to withdraw the request for the extradition of Mr. Alaraibi on 11 February 2019. The Criminal Court approved the withdrawal request thereafter and ordered Bangkok Remand Prison to release Mr. Alaraibi. Mr. Alaraibi left Thailand and safely arrived in Australia on 12 February 2019.

I hope that the update alleviates your earlier concern and demonstrates Thailand's efforts to uphold our longstanding humanitarian tradition.

In reassuring you of Thailand's continued commitment to cooperating with all Special Procedures under the Human Rights Council to promote and protect the human rights of all people, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

(Sek Wannamethee)

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