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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Bangkok, December 14, 1940

No. 81

Subject: Transmitting Correspondence between the Minister and His Excellency the Prime Minister of Thailand in Regard to the Visit of the Prime Minister's Son and Daughter to the United States.

BY AIR MAIL

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The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose for the Department's information copies of the correspondence in regard to the visit of the Prime Minister's son and daughter to the United States. (Reference is made to my telegram No. 182, November 29, 11 am,) and the Department's telegraphic reply of December 1, 1940.)

As indicated in the note enclosed, the Prime Minister seemed to appreciate most sincerely the courtesies extended to his son and daughter. He sent me a verbal message through the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, expressing his appreciation and subsequently wrote the note which is enclosed.

Respectfully yours,

Hugh G. Grant
American Minister

Enclosures:
1 Note to the Foreign Office, November 29, 1940
2 Note from the Foreign Office, December 8, 1940

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Enclosure no. 1 of despatch no. 81 of December 14, 1940 from the American Legation at Bangkok, Thailand, on the subject "Transmitting Correspondence between the Minister and His Excellency the Prime Minister of Thailand in Regard to the Visit of the Prime Minister's Son and Daughter to the United States."

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Bangkok, November 29, 1940

No. 28

Excellency:

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs has kindly furnished me upon my request with the names of your son and daughter who, I have been informed, are now en route to the United States from Lisbon on the S. S. Nyassa accompanied by a party of Thai students.

I have communicated by telegraph to the Department of State apprising the Department of the above facts in order that appropriate courtesies may be extended by American officials to Your Excellency's son and daughter when they reach the United States.

It is my earnest hope, Excellency, that your son and daughter and members of their party may enjoy their visit in my country. I wish I were in the United States in order that I might participate personally in the welcome extended to them by my colleagues.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

Hugh G. Grant
(Signed) American Minister

His Excellency

Major General Luang Pibul Songgram,

His Thai Majesty's Minister of Foreign Affairs,

Bangkok.

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Enclosure no. 2 of despatch no. 81
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Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Saranrom Palace
December 8, 1940

Bangkok, December 31, 1940.

Monsieur le Ministre,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's letter No. 28 dated the 29th November last kindly informing me that the Department of State for Foreign Affairs have been notified by telegraph of the arrival in the United States of my son and daughter together with a party of Thai students, who are now on their way to New York from Lisbon on the S. S. Nyassa, so that appropriate facilities could be granted to them by the authorities there.

The above news has given me real satisfaction and is, at the same time, a great relief for me to know that they will be taken care of on reaching the American soil.

I take this opportunity to tender to Your Excellency as well as to the officials connected therewith an expression of my very warm thanks and deep appreciation for the friendly courtesy in this connection.

I avail myself of this opportunity, Monsieur le Ministre, to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Pibulasonggram

Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency
Dr. Hugh G. Grant,
Envoy Extraordinary and Minister
Plenipotentiary of the United States of America,
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