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Preliminary discussions were held on August 19 and 20, 1948 between the members of the Siamese Trade Mission to Japan and representatives of SCAP, regarding a proposed trade arrangement between Siam and Occupied Japan. At the preparatory meetings an agenda was drawn up, working committees constituted, and exploratory discussions initiated regarding the financial aspects of the proposed trade arrangement. In the latter regard, it is anticipated that some difficulty may be encountered in reaching final agreement upon whether U. S. dollars, sterling, or Siamese currency will be utilized in the conduct of Siamese-Japanese trade.

Trade arrangement negotiations are expected to begin about August 25. The following is a list of names of members participating in the conference:

1. Members of the Siamese Trade Mission in Japan:

Luang Thavil
Acting Director General
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Ministry of Agriculture

Mr. Prasert Siddhichai
Thai Spinning and Weaving Mill
Ministry of Industry

Mr. Amorn Svetasreni
Officer
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Ministry of Defense

Mr. Chulind Lamsam
Vice Chairman
The Bangkok Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Lok Komes
Member of the Board of Directors
The Bangkok Chamber of Commerce

Mr. Osot Kosin
Member
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Miss Koblab Sombatsiri
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2. General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers Representatives:

Mr. F. E. Pickelle

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