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Dear Mr. Danilo Reyes,

Thank you very much for your letter no. AHRC-UAU-005-2011 dated 2nd February 2011 requesting the Ministry of Justice to inform the investigation progress related to the case of the disappearance of Mr. Somchai Neelapaijit and expressing deep concern towards safety of Mrs. Angkana Neelapaijit and members of her family.

With respect to the case referred to in your correspondence, I would like to inform you that at present the Department of Special Investigation is under the process of gathering all relevant evidences in order to conclude investigation file and propose the opinion towards the such case. In this regard, if the Court of Appeal confirms the judgment of the Criminal Court to sentence Police Major Ngern Tongasuk, the first defendant, to imprisonment, it will be very helpful for Special Investigation Officer Team to complete the investigation file as well as the official view towards this case. With regard to your concern about dangerous interference to Mrs. Angkana Neelapaijit and members of her family, the Department of Special Investigation has already instructed their responsible staffs to take special care in providing witnesses protection to Mrs. Angkana Neelapaijit and members of her family.

Thanks again for your letter. The Ministry of Justice remains fully committed to taking best action. Should you have further comments or questions, please have me so advised.

Yours sincerely,



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