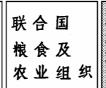
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TECHNICAL CONSULTATION ON SEA TURTLES CONSERVATION AND FISHERIES

Bangkok, Thailand, 29 November-2 December 2004

Information Note for Participants

Venue: United Nations Conference Centre

UNESCAP, Rajdamnern Nok Avenue

Bangkok 10200, Thailand

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Dates: 29 November-2 December 2004

Registration: Friday, 26 November 14.00–16.00 and Monday, 29 November 8.00-9.30

Time Zone: GMT+7

Visa Arrangements for Participants

Participants from certain FAO member countries may require an entry visa to Thailand. Delegates are invited to contact their respective Thai consulates in order to obtain an entry visa.

Weather

The weather in Bangkok is usually warm during this period of the year, temperatures around 25–28°C, with light breezes and only the occasional shower.

Bangkok Airport

The airport of Bangkok (BKK) is connected with direct flights from major cities. For flight details and connections from your country, please contact your local travel agency. The distance from the airport to the city is approximately 25 km. Bus, train and taxi transport from the airport to the city are easily available at the airport arrival terminal.

2 Information Note

All passengers have to pay a Departure Tax - the Passenger Service Charge (PSC) of 500 baht for international passengers, 50 baht for domestic departures. The PSC can also be paid in US dollars cash (USD\$11) at the PSC counter.

Currency and Exchange

The currency is Thailand Baht and at the current rate (21 October 2004) 1 US\$ = 41.22 THB, 1 THB = 0.0241429262 US\$ or 1 €= 52.15 THB, 1 THB = 0.0191823 € The Baht bank note denominations are: 1,000 Baht (grey), 500 Baht (purple), 100 Baht (red), 50 Baht (blue), 20 Baht (green/grey) and (grey). Coins are silver 1, 5, 10 Baht.

Accommodation

A list of suitable hotels in the vicinity of the venue is listed below. Details of alternative hotels may be provided by your travel agent. It is recommended that bookings are made well in advance.

Royal Princess Hotel (four stars)

Larn Luang Road

Bangkok 10100

Trang Hotel (three stars)

99/1 Wisutkasat Road

Bangkok 10200

Tel: +66-2-266-0123 Tel: +66-2-2811402/3 Fax: +66-2-2801314 Fax:+66-2-2803610

E-mail: larnluang@dusit.com E-Mail: www.trang-hotel.co.th

Prince Palace Hotel (four stars)

488/800 Bo Bae Tower

78 Prachatipatai Road
Bangkok

Bangkok 10200

Tel: +66-2-641-4133 Tel: +66-2-2822831/3 Fax: 02-628-1000 Fax:+66-2-2801299

Further information

More information on Bangkok can be found at the following website:

http://www.bangkok.com/info/usefull-info.html