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Ministry of Home Affairs
Administration Department

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Reply Letter

To: Director General of Anti-Money Laundering Intelligence Office.

Sub: Providing information related to associations and foundations in Lao PDR.

- Pursuant to Agreement On Organization and Operations of Administration Department , Ministry of Home Affairs No.95/MOHA, Dated 12 March 2018;
- Pursuant to Decree On Foundation No. 149/PM, dated 19 May 2011;
- Pursuant to Decree on Association No. 238/GOV, dated 11 August 2017;
- Pursuant to request letter from Anti-Money Laundering Intelligence Office, Bank of Lao PDR No. 716/AMLIO, dated 01 July 2020.

Administration Department, Ministry of Home Affairs has the great honor to inform you regarding the training information of associations and foundations in Lao PDR based on your request as below:

The dissemination of related legislations for associations and foundations (CSOs) in 2015-2019 as follows:

- ❖ In 2016 (Disseminated Decree on association No. 115/PM, dated 29 April 2009 and Decree on foundation No. 149/PM, dated 19 May 2011) the dissemination was related to the social supervision organization as well as the establishment of associations, foundations. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA) provided advice and distributed related documents to those who are interested in establishing the association more than 720 times. In addition, MOHA also collaborated with The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) and The Ministry of Public Security (MOPS) for disseminating legislations on social supervision organizations to provincial staffs, associations and foundations in 03 provinces as well such as: Luang Prabang, Savannakhet and Champassak with 60 participants.
- ❖ In 2018, MOHA disseminated the revised Decree on association No. 238/GOV and conducted training on the establishment of associations for competent authorities of related ministries and Government agencies equivalent to ministries to explain methods and procedures on establishing of associations, which was held in Vientiane for 3 times with 70 participants. In addition, MOHA also published 1,500 legal books on association and foundation and distributed to related ministries, government

agencies equivalent to ministries, provinces, the capital city, associations, foundations and the general public.

- ❖ In 2019, MOHA collaborated with MOFA and MOPS to conduct dissemination of legislation on social supervision organizations especially Decree on association No. 238 /GOV, dated 11 August 2017, Decree on foundation No. 149/PM, dated 19 May 2011, Instruction on implementation of 02 mentioned-Decree above, Instruction on implementation of Paragraph 2, article 55 of Decree on association regarding approval for associations and foundations to receive funds, assets and experts from foreign country No. 004289/MOFA, dated 22 June 2018 and some relevant legislations as well as conducting training on establishing the association for Ministries, Related Agency, Divisions in provincial, Social supervision organizations, International organizations, which was held in nationwide for 20 times with 4,444 participants in total and 1,201 of them were female.

Director General of Administration Department