NOTE OF THE KRISDIKA RE: INTERPRETATION OF SECTION 1450

C. C. C.

1. Upon request of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, the Krisdika has
indicated in a previous Note dated 17th, April last that marriage of Siamese subjects in
foreign countries may be effected there according to the form prescribed by Siamese
law (if the law of the foreign country permits it).

- 2. Now the British foreign Office enquires to know what is the ceremony of marriage according to the form prescribed by Siamese law (because no nature of ceremony of marriage has been indicated in Section 1450).
- 3. The answer is that the "form prescribed by Siamese law" as specified by Section 1450 does not refer at all to any traditional customs which may accompany a wedding according to local usage, because such customs are entirely at the discretion of the spouses and not compulsory in law.

Then Section 1450 refers to a legal form, is can mean only the form which is mentioned in the law it self, namely for the time being Book V. C. C. C., or in other words "registration".

The said registration must of course be affected by a competent Siamese authority, which abroad means the Siamese Diplomatic or Consular Officer.

Secretary-General.

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