ABSTRACT

Thesis Title	:	Leadership of the Former Prime Minister
· · · ·		Mr Banharn Silpa-archa and Political
		Consent of People and Police Officers
, * · · · · · ·		: A Case Study of Prapradang District,
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A combination of documentary and survey research methods was used in this study. The main objective is to investigate leadership of the former prime minister Mr Banharn Silpa-archa and political consent of people and police officers. The study was conducted in Prapradang District, Samutprakarn Province.

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The findings are as follows ;

1. There are only 3 aspects of Mr Banharn Silpaarcha's leadership that are acceptable by both most people and police officers, i.e., economic-status, social demeanor and visit to people. A work-attempt aspect of leadership is acceptable by most police officers but not people.

2. Acceptances of Mr Banharn Silpa-archa's leadership expressed through mass media, scholars and opinion polls are more negative than positive.

3. A comparative analysis used in the study shows that Mr Banharn Silpa-archa's leadership is more acceptable by most police officers than people.

4. The hypotheses testing shows that there are statistically significant relationship at 0.05 level between each of these independent variables, i.e., occupation and length of work experience, and acceptance of Mr Banharn Silpa-archa's leadership.