ABSTRACT

Thesis Title : Thailand's Role and Foreign Policy

in Cold War and Post Cold War Era

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The main purpose of this reseach is to give trend to study foreign policy to interested persons especially students who study in international relations, so that they could study and understand as the following:

- to study the meaning and boundary of both local and foreign policy.
 - 2. to study foreign policy making authorities.
 - 3. to study Thai foreign policy making process.

- 4. to study the important and useful purpose of culture in Thai foreign policy making.
- 5. to study and reviewing local and foreign policy of Thailand in the past, since cold war swung open and
- 6. latterly to study and foretell the ways for the Thais to launch and play roles in cooperation with neibouring countries and other nations in the next decades

In compiling of this thesis, the researcher conducted by documentary researching method, those of documents are textbooks, official and academic papers, journals, speechs and others.

All of these reseached documents, the researcher gathered from both some libraries and government offices in which concerned.

In some case the researcher conducted by interveiwing some height level or senior government officers, as well as in view of the researcherself.

The results of this study given us the fact that,

1. Any Thai leaders, in decades of cold war era, implemented policies of against spreading hegemonical

communist doctrine particularly to contain and intering Domino theory.

- 2. Thailand's policies then were based on policies of western power countries especially policy of the United States of America.
- 3. Thai leaders, in that time, need some assistance from the above mentioned power countries.
- 4. When the era of cold war was end up, the new generation Thai leaders, in to-day, had changed their mind and re-oriented both internal and foreign policies by ignoring of national security but emphasize on developing of economy and well-being living of people in the country.