

ABSTRACT

**Title : The Process of Becoming Members of Fighting Organization of Insurgency
Groups in the Three Southern Provinces of Thailand and Ways to stop it.**

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This research paper aims to study the process of becoming members of insurgency groups, which is the root cause of violence in the Three Southern Provinces of Thailand. The research studied qualitative information collected from interviewing 30 persons, either surrendered or captured, who already withdrawn their membership from the insurgency groups. The information, which is considered to be most truthful, is then analyzed according to two theory; Revolution using People War and Motivation to Decide to be Insurgency Membership. Direct experiences of the researcher are also used in the analysis.

The research concludes that the insurgency groups have established and developed their fighting organization based of a support of people that went through the brainwashing and instilling process. The process of becoming members of insurgency groups in the Three Southern Provinces is, therefore, initiated from the brainwashing and instilling process through talking with siblings and intimates about history of wounded relation between Pattani and Siam. This kind of talks then led to historical wrath, malice, and pain that developed into ideas of Malayu and Pattani nationalism, separatism, and Islamic Jihad faith. After making decision, these cultivated recruits will be sworn to be members. However, the membership will be completed only after all the recruits have passed education and training according to their traits before being assigned into fighting organization, of both political wing and military wing.

Decision to become insurgency membership are consisted of two motivation factors; wounded history between Thailand and Pattani and a belief that fighting with Thailand state for Pattani's independence is the Islamic Jihad. For conclusion, the root cause of violence in the Three Southern Provinces is in fact the separatist groups that create and drive a violence confrontation with Thailand state.