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The objective of this research is to study the causes of the problem of Thailand - Laos boundary concerned with the Treaty of Delimitation between Thailand and France and the effect of the said Thailand - Laos boundary problem to Thailand.

The research revealed that the boundary problem of Thailand - Laos was caused by Three elements of the Treaty of Delimitation made by Thailand and France in the past. These elements are unagreed delimitation with the international practices, basing on the different maps attached to the treaty and the unclear interpretation of the treaty, and the incompleteness of the delimitation. Under which the said treaty of delimitation between Thailand and Laos, Thailand insisted that the rules of the said treaty made Thailand inadventagous from the beginning and Laos did not agree to amend and improve the treaty to accord the requirement of Thailand.

Resides the result of the research showed that in the period of the unchanged regime of Laos to socialism which was the period that Thailand and Laos had a good relationship it did not appear that the conflict concerning the boundary problem of Thailand - Laos was frequently evident. If the conflict appeared, it was not in violent position and the conflict problem could be rapidly ceased. But after the change of the regime of Laos to socialism in 1975, The conflict concerning the boundary between Thailand and Laos oftenly occured and sometime the violence of the conflict problem expanded and became a dispute leading to military facing. Such problem caused the effect in many ways, particularly it gave effect the relationship between Thailand and Laos which was always in good status as brotherlike countries.