JOINT STATEMENT THE TENTH ASEAN PLUS THREE MINISTERIAL MEETING ON TRANSNATIONAL CRIME (10th AMMTC + 3) CONSULTATION

Bangkok, Thailand, 28 November 2019

- 1. We, the Ministers/High-Level Representatives of the ASEAN Member States, the People's Republic of China, Japan and the Republic of Korea, responsible for handling transnational crime matters, convened the Tenth ASEAN Plus Three Ministerial Meeting on Transnational Crime (10th AMMTC + 3) Consultation in Bangkok, Thailand on 28 November 2019. The Meeting was chaired by AMMTC Leader of Thailand, General Chaichan Changmongkol, Deputy Minister of Defence of the Kingdom of Thailand.
- 2. We reaffirmed our commitment to further strengthen the ASEAN Plus Three cooperation in preventing and combating transnational crime as well as addressing non-traditional security issues as articulated in ASEAN Plus Three Cooperation Work Plan (2018-2022), such as trafficking in persons, cybercrime, terrorism and violent extremism and illicit drug trafficking that continue to threaten our region, in order to ensure peace and stability.
- 3. We noted of the outcomes of the Seventeenth ASEAN Plus Three Senior Officials Meeting on Transnational Crime (17th SOMTC + 3) Consultation held in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar on 25 July 2019, and the Preparatory SOMTC + 3 for the 10th AMMTC + 3 Consultation in Bangkok, Thailand on 26 November 2019.
- 4. We commended the progress achieved in the implementation of the transnational crime component of the revised ASEAN Plus Three Cooperation Work Plan 2018-2022 and reaffirmed our commitment to effectively implement the transnational crime component of the Work Plan.

- 5. We exchanged views on the need to strengthen ASEAN Plus Three cooperation in combating transnational crime, including addressing the emergence of new forms of these crimes.
- 6. We welcomed the kind offer by the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam to host the 11th AMMTC + 3 Consultation in 2020.
- 7. We expressed our deep appreciation to the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand for the warm welcome and generous hospitality accorded to us and our respective delegations, including the excellent meetings that were held in the traditional ASEAN spirit of friendship and cordiality.
