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'Tackling the demand for the sexual exploitation of children'

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Presentation Structure

Strengthening legislation to protect children (Regional and Global Programmes)

UNODC Southeast Asia

- Regional Programme addressing Child Sex Offending
- Legislative Assistance and Capacity Building
- Thailand Example – Law on the possession of child sexual abuse material

UNODC Headquarters Vienna

- The Global Action to Prevent and Address Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants (**GLO.ACT**)

Regional Programme addressing Child Sex Offending (Southeast Asia)

An initiative that began in **2010** to combat the sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism in the Mekong sub-region.

Key Priority Countries:

- Cambodia
- Lao PDR
- Thailand
- Vietnam



- Legislative Frameworks
- Training & Capacity Building
- National & Regional Cooperation
- Expert Investigations

Legislative Assistance & Capacity Building

Legal Analysis Report

- ❖ Legislative review workshops
- ❖ 4 legal reports completed
- ❖ Recommendations being acted on by national counterparts

Training Programmes

Investigating Sexual Exploitation of Children

- ❖ 3-day for frontline officials
- ❖ 5-day for specialist investigators
- ❖ 1-day for police officers on gender issues

Treatment of Child Victims and Child Witnesses of Crime

- ❖ Law Enforcement Officials (5 Modules)
- ❖ Prosecutors and Judges (5 Modules)

Training of Trainers/Pilot Testing Curriculum

- Cambodia, Lao PDR, Thailand and Viet Nam

Institutionalisation process ongoing



2011-2015

- ❖ Stocktaking with governments on recommendations made in the 2014 UNODC Legal Analysis Report on child sexual exploitation in travel and tourism
- ❖ Supporting the drafting laws to criminalize child sexual abuse material



Example - Progress in Thailand

- **Criminal Code effective 7 Dec 2015** - Definition of *child pornography*; criminalization of mere possession and forwarding
- **Application of the law** - 3 arrests announced in media
- **Challenge** - Lack of understanding among criminal justice officials of the new law and the issue of child sexual abuse material
- **Response** - UNODC preparing training material for inclusion in prosecutor and judge training course

Englishman arrested on child porn charges in Chiang Mai

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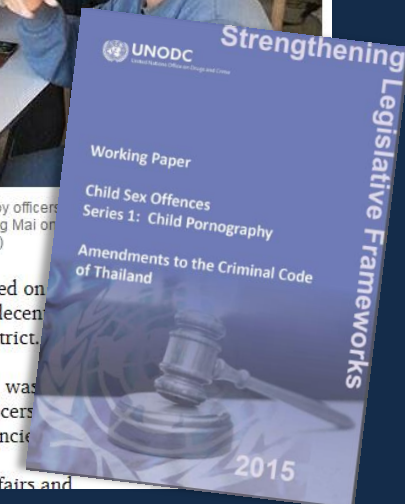


Fabian Frederick Blandford, 64, a British national, is interrogated by officers during a search of his house in Fang district of Chiang Mai on custody on child pornography charges. (Photo by Cheewin Sattha)

CHIANG MAI -- A former foreign monk was arrested on pornography charges on Wednesday and many indecent of children were seized from his house in Fang district.

Fabian Frederick Blandford, 64, a British national, was apprehended at his home in tambon Wiang by officers Department of Special Investigation and other agencies.

The search of his house was led by DSI Foreign Affairs and



Knowledge Attitude Practice (KAP) Survey of Law Enforcement Officers (2013)
392 surveyed in 3 countries

WHEN IS IT OKAY TO HAVE SEX WITH A CHILD?

Never [Majority answered never]

Under 18 (only if married)

15 years old (with consent)

When they have their first period [Cultural]

Parent's or child's consent

Family is poor/broken

Other (e.g. in love, no ill intent, 10 o'clock at night)

GloACT

Global Action against Trafficking in Persons and the Smuggling of Migrants



Strategy and policy development



Objective 1

Legislative assistance



Objective 2

Capacity building



Objective 3

Regional and trans-regional cooperation



Objective 4

Protection and assistance to victims of trafficking and smuggled migrants



Objective 5

Assistance and support to children among victims of trafficking and smuggled migrants



Objective 6



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