Introducing information technology in the Chamber of Thailand

The Secretariat of the House of Representatives of Thailand has recognised the importance of its duties to facilitate Members of the House of Representatives and Members of the Senate in the parliamentary proceedings affairs by using the information technology in the Chamber as follows:

1. Computer technology which emphasises the efficiency of digital process in the form of hardware and software together with the audio-visual aids management through application programme in order to control and command the sound system and the switching on/off of the digital congress microphone, the voting system and the recording system.

2. Communication technology which stresses the improvement of the speed of communication, data processing, accuracy and security of system data as follows:

2.1 Fiber optic technology which serves and supports data transformation including identification, debate and voting of Members of Parliament.

2.2 Microchip technology which is used in chip card or generally called smart card for the management of identification, checking of a quorum, debate and voting of Members of Parliament.

Moreover, the communication system on the President's bench through the notebook computer connecting with Local Area Network (LAN) is set in order to facilitate the communication between the Presiding Officer and the Secretary General in sending message via computer screen. It can also search for the relevant information such as the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand, Rules of Procedure, Orders for parliamentary proceedings and decisions in full text search.

For the technology used to support the performance of Members inside the Chamber, the Secretariat of the House of Representatives has provided the internet access via LAN and wireless connection inside the Chamber and the reception room where Members can use notebook computer provided by the Secretariat or their own PDA (Personal Digital Assistant) to search the required data.