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# 19 September Anti-Coup Network to Launch Protests against Coup Leaders

## *Community and Civic Leaders to Speak*

**When:** 17 January, 2007, 11am to 12pm  
**Where:** Rattana-kosin Hotel; Pay Tai Room, Bangkok, Thailand  
**Who:** Sombat Boonngamanong, 19 September Anti-Coup Network  
Adisorn Kerdmongkol, 19 September Anti-Coup Network  
Chanakarn Pundermwong, 19 September Anti-Coup Network  
Chotisak Onsoong, 19 September Anti-Coup Network  
Suwit Lertkraithee, 19 September Anti-Coup Network

*Bangkok, 15 Jan* – The 19 September Anti-Coup Network will announce two major protests against coup leaders' undemocratic seizure of power.

The 19 September Anti-Coup Network is enraged by the loss of democracy for the Thai population and will express its vehement opposition. Recognized community leaders will be among those speaking out against the seizure of power from the elected government, the revocation of the Constitution, the coup leaders' irresponsible economic policies, and the declaration of martial law violating the people's rights and freedom. These actions have duplicated past coups and diminished Thailand's image internationally.

19 September coordinator Sombat Boonngamanong said, "We will not accept the interim Constitution and the permanent constitution that is to be imposed by the coup leaders. The Prime Minister and all forms of power from the National Security Council have no legitimacy. We demand that the dictatorial council keep their hands off politics, and return us to the 1997 Constitution. We believe that true political reform cannot be successfully done under a military-police-civilians dictatorship."

There will be a major protest on Friday, 19 January from 11:30am to 1pm and 4.30pm to 7.30pm in front of CP Tower on Silom Road, and there will be a major protest march on Sunday, 21 January at 4pm from Sanam Luang to Army Headquarters.

For more information about the 19 September Anti-Coup Network, please see attached previous protest speeches, or visit [www.nocoup.org](http://www.nocoup.org).

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