Independent Study Paper Title: The Presumption of Money Laundering Offense:

A Case Study on Hawala

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## **ABSTRACT**

At present, Hawala is the main topic on the Anti-Money Laundering field. Hawala became the powerful instrument for the criminal organization and its network, both domestic and foreign, to integration the property in rem to become the accepted money. The dirty money on this system is uncountable, and it affected with the economic system in every country.

The objective of the study was to about system, method, detail and how to payment regarding Hawala and effects on economy, then examine about current laws enforcing with the problems of payment regarding Hawala and reporting requirement according to Anti-Money Laundering laws case study conducting transactions with Hawala methods of entity and professions under section 16 (9) (10) of Anti-Money Laundering Act B.E. 2542.

A sample was selected from a case study by depth interviewed with Mr. Piya Srivika, Investigator senior professional level, Department of Litigation 3, Anti-Money Laundering Office (AMLO) was used for data analysis. The findings showed, pointed out, revealed that by comparison with international laws.

Summing it up, problems of money laundering on HAWALA process which the criminals commonly used these methods for money laundering. In short, It should be presumed that the persons who have no license always related to money laundering. Even if the process by HAWALA method, it should be presumed that Money laundering offenses under the laws of Thailand without taking into consideration on predicate offense.