

Death toll rises in Bangkok as Government refuses to negotiate

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The death toll in Bangkok is 35, all civilians (except one air force personnel), all killed by the army. If you include the deaths from the April crack down, Abhisit is now responsible for 65 deaths.(Bangkok 17.30 Monday)

65 deaths and 1669 injured in order that Abhisit's military-backed government can stay in power. The deaths include paramedics, news reporters and at least one 10 year old boy. The army is using assassination squads and snipers to deliberately gun down unarmed civilians. The Government continues to lie about the events and has decided that it is OK to shoot anyone in the centre of Bangkok. The Government has no commitment to protect civilians, news reporters or paramedics.

The UDD leadership have repeated their offer of talks and their request for an immediate cease fire. The UDD request for UN mediation in any talks is because there are no neutral institutions in Thailand. The National Human Rights Commission, NGOs, judiciary, most academics are all supporting the Government and the military.

Red Shirts are standing firm, both at Rajprasong and around the outside of army check points in Bangkok. Many protest sites are springing up in Bangkok and the provinces. The Government has had to announce emergency decrees in nearly 20 provinces.

Censorship is widespread and the Government is employing teams to hack facebook and other internet sites. You Tube has allowed the Government to remove videos of the events taken by locals.

There are reports of workers discussing strike action, but we do not know if this will happen.

Children of Red Shirts have been moved to a nearby temple with the help of the police and the Red Cross.

Abhisit, his government ministers, the head of the army and local army commanders should all face murder charges.

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