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## **The Closing Ceremony of Luangta Mahabua's Donation**

Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by Her Royal Highness Princess Chulabhorn Valayalaksana, graciously presided over the closing ceremony of Luangta Mahabua's Donation, on 12 April 2004 at Suan Amporn, Dusit Palace during 5.30-7.15 p.m. Police Lieutenant Colonel Thaksin Shinawatra, Prime Minister, on behalf of the government, received ninety five bars of gold, weighing 1,187.50 kg., and cash of 2,004,600 US dollars to be given further to M.R. Pridiyathorn Devakula, Governor of the Bank of Thailand (BOT), in order to place them into the accounts of the Note Issue Group, BOT.

Since 6 July 1998 to 12 April 2004, the BOT has received gold bars and US dollars donated by Luangta Mahabua as follows:

**First donation:** 6 July 1998, at the BOT

US dollars 1,278,000

**Second donation:** 4 May 1999, at the BOT

US dollars 3,000,000

83 bars of gold 1,037.78 kg.

**Third donation:** 21 April 2001, at Sanam Luang

US dollars 1,000,000

82 bars of gold 1,025 kg.

**Fourth donation:** 2 July 2001, at Suan Sang Dharma Park

US dollars 300,000

55 bars of gold 687.5 kg.

**Fifth donation:** 26 September 2001, at Government House

US dollars 400,000

145 bars of gold 1,812.5 kg.

**Sixth donation:** 11 April 2002, at Suan Sang Dharma Park

US dollars 300,000

40 bars of gold 500 kg.

**Seventh donation:** 10 December 2002, at the BOT

US dollars            300,000

40 bars of gold      500 kg.

**Eighth donation:** 12 April 2003, at Suan Sang Dharma Park

US dollars            400,000

42 bars of gold      525 kg.

**Ninth donation:** 10 July 2003, at Suan Sang Dharma Park

US dollars            432,000

49 bars of gold      612.5 kg.

**Tenth donation:** 26 August 2003, at Suan Sang Dharma Park

US dollars            300,000

82 bars of gold      1,025 kg.

**Eleventh donation:** 26 December 2003, at Suan Sang Dharma Park

US dollars            500,000

112 bars of gold     1,400 kg.

**Twelfth donation:** 12 April 2004, at Suan Amporn, Dusit Palace

US dollars            2,004,600

95 bars of gold      1187.50 kg.

The twelve donations of Luangta Mahabua's campaign reach the total amount of 825 bars of gold, weighing 10,312.78 kg. and foreign currency of 10,214,600 US dollars.

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