



undertakes a major restructuring, according to a Centre for Asia-Pacific Aviation (CAPA) report.

According to CAPA, Thai Smile has made several strategic U-turns since its 2011 conception and now has dual roles, serving as a feeder for Thai Airways at Bangkok's main international gateway of Suvarnabhumi, while competing against LCCs (low cost carriers) on point-to-point domestic routes from Bangkok's original Don Mueang Airport.

"The roles are contradictory and not easy to balance. Ultimately, the

during an audit of Thailand's civil aviation authority by the Montreal-based International Civil Aviation Organization.

The Thai air route expansion halt is considered a blow to Thai air carriers that have just begun to recover after a poor 2014 when political protests slashed the number of tourists visiting the Southeast Asian country.

Mr. Laprabang told Business Daily that Thai Smile hasn't suffered a direct impact since the company is still in the process of applying to Chinese authorities to fly into Mainland China.

## Macau to step up anti-graft efforts

Macau Commissioner Andre Cheong Weng Chon met with Mainland China officials and pledged to the central government to step up efforts in pursuing corrupt officials and recovering illicit money. He said he would not let Macau become a destination or transfer hub for corruption activities, according to a press release issued by the Commission Against Corruption (CCAC).

Mr. Cheong made the pledge in Beijing on March 30 and 31 when meeting with the Minister of Supervision, Huang Shuxian, who highlighted China President Xi Jinping's administration's determination to crush graft.

"CCAC will continue conducting

its anti-graft work and will continue cooperating with the Mainland's efforts to tackle corruption," the press release quoted Mr. Cheong as saying. "We will co-operate with Mainland authorities in catching fugitives and recovering embezzled money in accordance with the law. We won't let Macau become the transfer station or destination of corrupt officials or laundered money."

When meeting with China's Procurator-General Cao Jianming, Mr. Cheong said Macau would strengthen co-operation with the central government and regional prosecutors' offices, especially with neighbouring regions, namely Guangdong, Guangxi and Fujian, in order to help build a clean administration.



**Correction:** In the report 'ANIMA to petition CE to close Canidrome' published in the April 3 issue, the gross income of Canidrome should read 'Greyhound racing at the Macau Canidrome generated gross revenues of MOP145 million in 2014, some 18.5 per cent less than the year before, according to the latest data from the Gaming Inspection and Co-ordination Bureau (DICJ).' Business Daily apologises to its readers for this mistake.

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