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State Railway of Thailand  
photographs of Miao people, 1967

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	State Railway of Thailand photographs of Miao people
<b>Date:</b>	1967
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.PhotoLot.4960
<b>Creator:</b>	Kānrotfai hǎeng Prathēt Thai (Photographer)
<b>Extent:</b>	8 Prints (silver gelatin) 1 Copy negative
<b>Language:</b>	Undetermined .

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

Donated by Martha Lubbeke through Dr. William Crocker, Department of Anthropology, in March 1968.

### Location of Originals

According to donor Martha Lubbeke, the original negatives were kept by the State Railway of Thailand.

### Location of Other Archival Materials

Three photographs donated as part of MS 4960 were previously filed with Photo Lot 97. These have been relocated and merged back into MS 4960.

### Location of Other Archival Materials

The National Anthropological Archives Photo Lot 97 may contain more State Railway of Thailand photographs.

### Preferred Citation

Photo Lot 4960, State Railway of Thailand photographs of Miao people, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

### Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection requires an appointment.

### Conditions Governing Use

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## Biographical Note

The official State Railway of Thailand began as the Royal State Railways of Siam, established under the Ministry of Public Works in 1890. The department controlled all state and private railways in the country. In 1951, the State Railway of Thailand Act B.E. 2494 renamed the organization and established it as a state enterprise. Gunther Lubbeke was an employee of the World Bank, for which he may have appraised Thailand's railway systems.

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## Scope and Contents

Photographs made by a staff photographer for the State Railway of Thailand near the king's mountain palace at Chiang Mai in Northern Thailand, March 30 - early April 1967. Photos document Miao people in their villages, including a man playing a kaeng (a bamboo wind instrument used to communicate with spirits). Additionally, there is one image of Yukta Na Thalung (Director of the State Railroads of Thailand) and Sir Jordon MacKay (Director of a division of the World Bank) with donor Martha Lubekke and her husband Gunther Lubbeke.

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NAA Photo Lot 4960

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Hmong (Asian people)

Cultures:

Hmong (Asian people)

Types of Materials:

Photographs

Places:

Thailand

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## Addl. KW Subj

Miao

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## Container Listing

Miao man playing kaeng (bamboo wind Instrument used to communicate with spirits with woman with boy and two girls watching, 1967

1 Print (silver gelatin; 010 in x 008 in)

Creator: State Railways of Thailand

Notes: NAA INV.04851500

NAA Photo Lot.4960

Relocated from Photo Lot 97, September 2013.

Siam -- Chiang Mai Province -- Chiang Mai (Near)/King's Palace (Near)

Thailand -- Chiang Mai Province -- Chiang Mai (Near)/King's Palace (Near)

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Group of Miao people, some wearing silver neck rings, outside plank and bamboo houses with thatch roofs, 1967

1 Print (silver gelatin; 010 in x 008 in)

Creator: State Railways of Thailand

Notes: NAA INV.04851700

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