

Vietnam National Day Special

Relations continue to flourish

PHAM QUANG HIEU
AMBASSADOR OF VIETNAM



On Sept. 2, 1945, then-President Ho Chi Minh read the Declaration of Independence, marking the birth of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (now the Socialist Republic of Vietnam).

In the nearly 80 years since, Vietnam has faced and overcome countless challenges, maintaining its independence, unifying the country and achieving numerous proud accomplishments in nation-building and development.

From an underdeveloped country heavily devastated by war, Vietnam has become one of the most dynamic and attractive economies in Asia. Vietnam is an essential link in the global supply chain and a convergence point for tens of thousands of foreign investors with over 35,000 active direct investment projects, totaling nearly \$500 billion.

Among these investors, Japan stands as the third-largest, with more than \$70 billion invested.

For over 50 years, the diplomatic relationship between Vietnam and Japan has flourished, evolving into a strong, comprehensive partnership that spans multiple sectors. This relationship has grown substantive and effective, contributing to promoting investment links, fostering socioeconomic development and delivering tangible benefits to the people and businesses of both nations.

The Vietnamese community in Japan, now nearly 600,000 strong, has played a vital role in strengthening our relations.

As we celebrate this occasion, I wish to express my deepest gratitude to the government of Japan, local authorities, businesses and the many organizations and individuals who provided support and assistance. I am confident that the Vietnam-Japan comprehensive strategic partnership for peace and prosperity in Asia and the world will continue to achieve new successes, actively contributing to peace, stability and prosperity in the region and beyond.

Creating a robust legal system

RYUJI KOIZUMI
MINISTER OF JUSTICE



I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on its 79th Independence Day anniversary.

This year also marks the 30th anniversary of the commencement of Japan's legal technical cooperation with Vietnam. In 1994, Vietnam sought to establish a new legal system to accelerate its economic transition. Based upon Vietnam's request, Japan's Justice Ministry organized a training course inviting Vietnamese judicial officials to Japan. Two years later, a project by the Japan International Cooperation Agency for legal technical cooperation launched. The International Cooperation Department of the Research and Training Institute of

the Justice Ministry has continuously supported JICA projects, resulting in many notable achievements, such as the amendment of Vietnam's Civil Code and the enactment of the Code of Civil Procedure.

Throughout a variety of activities, Japan's experts have engaged in close dialogue with their Vietnamese counterparts to explore the most suitable legal system for Vietnam, rather than adhering to introducing any specific legal system. We have taken such an approach to emphasize the importance of standing by our partner countries to help them achieve their goals. I believe this approach earned trust from our Vietnamese counterparts.

In November 2023, Japan-Vietnam relations were elevated to a comprehensive strategic partnership by the adoption of a joint statement. Built on the long-standing history of our collaboration and friendship, I sincerely hope that we will further develop our relationship in the field of law and justice in the coming decades toward peace and prosperity in Asia and around the world.

Further expanding bilateral ties

YUJI KUROIWA
GOVERNOR OF KANAGAWA



Let me offer my sincere congratulations on the occasion of the 79th Independence Day anniversary of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. The Kanagawa Prefectural Government has been

deepening exchanges with Vietnam in various fields, including business and culture, annually holding the Vietnam Festa in Kanagawa since 2015, and the Kanagawa Festival in Vietnam since 2018. I believe that Kanagawa is firmly connected to Vietnam with an exceptionally strong bond.

I have visited Vietnam seven times so far. In addition to attending events our government held there, I had opportunities to meet with many high-level officials of the Vietnamese government and build trustful relations with them. I could also form a brotherly relationship with the successive ambassadors to Japan. I always think

that Japanese and Vietnamese people are a great match because we have a lot in common, like diligence.

The Kanagawa Prefectural Government aims to further strengthen our ties with Vietnam for the future development of both regions and continue to promote exchanges between them. Last but not least, I sincerely wish for the further prosperity of Vietnam.

This content was compiled in collaboration with the embassy. The views expressed here do not necessarily reflect those of the newspaper.



Dak Nong province is a mountainous region in Vietnam's central highlands.

EMBASSY OF VIETNAM

AI

Congratulations
on the National Day of
the Socialist Republic of
Vietnam

FPT

<https://fptsoftware.jp>

Congratulations
to the People
of
the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
on the Occasion
of
Their Independence Day

JT

JAPAN TOBACCO INC.

Kamiyacho Trust Tower, 1-1, Toranomon 4-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-6927 JAPAN
Phone: (03)6636-2914 FAX: (03)6772-0495 URL: <http://www.jt.com>

Congratulations
to the People of
the Socialist Republic of
Vietnam
on the Occasion of
Their National Day

sojitz Sojitz Corporation

<https://www.sojitz.com/en/>

Congratulations
to the People of
the Socialist Republic of
Vietnam
on the Occasion of
Their National Day

Sumitomo Corporation
Enriching lives and the world

<https://www.sumitomocorp.com/en/jp/>