

SPECIAL COMMUNIQUE

The Central Committee of the Communist Party of Viet Nam, the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, the President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, the Central Committee of the Viet Nam Fatherland Front, and the bereaved family, announce with great sadness:

H.E. Mr. Nguyen Phu Trong, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Viet Nam, Secretary of the Central Military Commission, born on 14 April 1944 in Dong Hoi Commune, Dong Anh Rural District, Hanoi, currently residing at No. 5, Thien Quang Street, Nguyen Du Ward, Hai Ba Trung District, Hanoi. Joined the public service in 1967, inducted into the Communist Party of Viet Nam on 19 December 1967. Member of the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th Party Central Committee. Member of the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th Politburo. Member of the 8th Politburo Standing Committee. President of the 11th and 12th Legislatures of the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam. General Secretary of the 11th, 12th and 13th Central Committee of the Communist Party of Viet Nam. President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam for 2016 - 2021. Chairman of the National Defense and Security Council. Secretary of the Central Military Commission. Member of the Standing Committee of the Public Security Central Party Committee. Chairman of the Central Steering Committee on preventing and combating corruption and wrongdoing. Member of the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th Legislatures of the National Assembly. H.E. Mr. Nguyen Phu Trong was the former Honorable President of Viet Nam Red Cross Society.

After a period of serious illness, despite the tireless treatment efforts from the Party, State and the collective of leading doctors and experts, and the utmost care from his family, General Secretary Nguyen Phu Trong, due to old age and grave illness, passed away at 13:38 hours on 19 July 2024 (14 June of the Year of the Dragon, Lunar Calendar), Military Hospital 108, Hanoi, at the age of 80.

Throughout nearly 60 years of service, General Secretary Nguyen Phu Trong made numerous extraordinary contributions to the pridesworthy revolutionary cause of the Party and nation. He was awarded the Order of the Gold Star, Medal of 55 years of Party Membership, and many other Vietnamese and international honors.

The passing of General Secretary Nguyen Phu Trong is an immense loss to our Party, State and People, and to his family. In mourning and remembrance for his departure, the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Viet Nam, the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, the President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, and the Central Committee of the Viet Nam Fatherland Front hereby decide that the funerary service for General Secretary Nguyen Phu Trong be held as a State Funeral.

**THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF VIET NAM
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