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 (pen name Thanh Nghi)

Writer Hoang Trong Quy, pen name Thanh Nghi, vice minister of information and culture of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam, was born in 1917 in Hue. He participated in the resistance against the French colonialists until 1947. In Saigon, he wrote press articles criticizing the puppet administration of that time. The paper Dan Quy of which he was chief editor was closed. The censorship service forbade the publication of almost all his essays.

In 1957, his "New Vietnamese Dictionary" was published. Accusing him of being a leftist, the Ngo Dinh Diem administration arrested him and confiscated more than 4,000 copies. In 1963, he joined the Buddhist movement to overthrow Ngo Dinh Diem and the movement to struggle for the self-determination right in Vietnam of which he was the commissar in charge of cultural and foreign affairs.

Then he joined the movement to struggle for peace in Vietnam. In 1968, he worked for the paper THAN CHUNG. He wrote many books such as "Study of Economic Crises," "Vietnamese, English, and French Dictionary," "New Illustrated Vietnamese Dictionary," "Common Sino-Vietnamese Words," "New Illustrated French, Vietnamese Dictionary," "Notebook of a CIA Agent," and so forth. In early 1968, he fled to the liberated areas and was appointed deputy secretary general of the Central Committee of the Vietnam Alliance of National, Democratic, and Peace Forces, of which he is one of the founders.