

TRAN-VAN-LAM  
17, BA HUYEN THANH-QUAN  
SAIGON

SAIGON 4th January 1969.

Re

Professor Wesley R. FISHEL  
Michigan State University  
EAST LANSING - MICHIGAN

Dear Dr FISHEL,

It is my plan to conduct a good will tour to the United States in the immediate future. The tentative date of my arrival in the area has been scheduled for January 31 to February 2, although I will depart from Saigon as early as January the 12th.

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2/4-2/10 D.C.  
Conular House  
2/11-2/15 NY  
2/15 → Boston

May I sollicit your kind assistance for arranging one or several conferences on the VietNam issue to the American public. Any organization of your preference, business or academic, private or governmental, would be, I am certain, an excellent audience. I will contact you upon my arrival in the city.

May I call your special attention on the fact that the delegation is non-governmental and is composed of political party leaders and members of both the House and Senate. It is a People to People delegation, and will be, in a way, the voice of the people of VietNam.

Enclosed herewith, for your information, please find a list of the delegation members and their personal histories.

With my sincerest regards.

Tran Van Lam

TRAN-VAN-LAM  
Senator

Encl/As stated.

Return to Wesley Fiszel  
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Parks Arlington Apts  
Arlington, Va.

BIOGRAPHY OF Mr. NGO KHAC TINH

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Born in Than Rang (VietNam) May 1st, 1923.

Married : 2 sons, 4 daughters

1954 : Graduated from Faculty of Medicine and Pharmacy of Toulouse University (France)

1957 : Elected at the National Legislative Assembly

1959-1963 : Selected at the National Legislative Assembly  
Chairman of the Health, Social Welfare and Labor Committee

1968 : Central Committee of new founded political party, VN Social Humanistic revolutionary party

Member of governing Committee of the Pacific Institute

Other activities:

- 1959 : Founder and President of Saigon Lions Club
- 1960-63 : President of Pharmacists Union
- 1968 : Member of Pharmacists Association.
- 1959-68 : President of VietNam-Germany friendship association.

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**Biographical data  
of Dr. NGUYEN QUANG LUYEN, Representative  
Constituency I, Gia Dinh  
Leader of the Independence Bloc**

- Born in May 11, 1927 in Thai Binh, North Vietnam.
- Religion : Buddhism
- Former student of the Law Faculty, Saigon.
- Doctor in Medicine
- Has served in the Medical Corps of the Republic of Vietnam's Armed Forces from 1951 to 1967:
  - Treatment Physician at: the Quang-Trung Military Training Center, the Recruitment and Drafting Center, the Central Dispensary.
  - Chief Physician at : the Ca-Mau Sector Hospital the Infantry Regiment 37 the Light Division 13

**NOTICE BIOGRAPHIQUE**

- Nom et prénoms : NGUYEN QUANG LUYEN
- Date et lieu de naissance : 11-5-1927 à Thái-Bình (Nord Viêt-Nam)
- Circonscription électorale : GIA-DINH
- Religion: Bouddhique
- Etablissements fréquentés : -Faculté de Droit (Université de Saigon)  
-Faculté de Médecine
- Diplômes universitaires : -Licence en Droit  
-Docteur en médecine
- Profession antérieure : Médecin
- Profession actuelle : Député  
Leader du Bloc des Indépendants de la Chambre Basse.
- Etat des services : 1951-1967 : Médecin du Service de Santé Militaire de l'A. R. V. N.  
Médecin traitant au Centre d'Instruction Militaire de Quang-Trung, au Centre de Recrutement et au Dispensaire Central.
- Médecin Chef de l'Hôpital militaire de Cà-Mau
  - du Régiment d'Infanterie 37.
  - de la Division 13

ABREVIATED PERSONAL HISTORY of Mr. NGUYEN XUAN OANH  
Former Acting Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister  
for Economy and Finance, Republic of VietNam

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Date and Place of Birth

July 14, 1921  
Bac Ninh, North VietNam

Education

1945-49

Kyoto Imperial University, Kyoto,  
Japan, B.A.

1950-52

Harvard University, Mass., USA,  
M.A. in Economics

1952-54

Harvard University, Mass., USA,  
Ph.D in Economics.

Experience

a. Teaching 1954-60

Harvard University, Cambridge,  
Mass., USA

Wesleyan University, Middletown,  
Conn., USA

Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., USA

b. International Organization : 1960-63

International Monetary Fund, Washington,  
D.C. USA

c. Government. 1963-65

1963-65

Governor, National Bank of VietNam

1964-65

Deputy Prime Minister for Economy  
and Finance, Republic of VietNam

1964 and 1965

Twice Acting Prime Minister, Repu-

blic of VietNam

d. Political and Professional Organizations. 1966 - present

President, National Institute of Economic Development, Saigon

Feb. 1968 - present. Secretary General,  
National Salvation Front, Saigon

May 1968 - present: Member, Presidium,  
Alliance for Social Revolution, Saigon

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Short biography of Mr. TRÂN VĂN ÂN

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Birth : 28.1.1903 An Giang South VietNam.

Family : Confucianist farmer's family.

Studies : Secondary French Lycee Chasseloup Laubat- Philosophy- France.

Religion : Buddhist-Caodaist

Profession : School-teacher. Journalist.

Activities :

- 1927 Promoter and Deputy Chairman of the 1st National Congress of the Indochinese Students in France.
- 1929 Attended the Knomingtang 3rd National Congress Nanking.
- 1939 Promoter of the People Nationalist Party.
- 1945 Promoter of the National Front Opposing the Communist Việt Minh.
- 1945 Promoter of the ViêtNam National Independence Party.
- 1947 Promoter of the Socialist-Democratic Party.
- 1953 Promoter of the National Congress Saigon.
- 1955 Political Counsellor of the National Forces Front opposing Diêm's regime.
- 1957 Sentenced to death by Diêm's Court. Kept the reclusion jail until 1964.
- 1965 Minister of Chiêuhôi ( Open Arms ).
- 1966 Chairman of the Committee for Drafting Const. Electoral Laws.
- 1966 Civilian Member of the National Leadership Committee.
- 1967 Speaking tour in Scandinavia-West Germany-London-India-Japan
- 1968 Minister of Information.

Editor of the daily Duoc Nha Nam. Tribune Indochinoise chief editor of the daily Dân Moi - Weekly Magazine Doi Moi ( New Life ) (best seller) etc.

Books written by Mr. Trần Văn Ân :

- First Steps in Politics
- Democracy - ONU.
- Democracy and Constitution.

## BIOGRAPHY OF SENATOR TRAN VAN LAM

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Born in Saigon, VietNam July 30, 1913

Married - 6 daughters - 3 sons

- 1939 : Graduated from Faculty of Medicine and Pharmacy Hanoi University.
- 1952-1954 : Elected President Saigon City 3rd District Council.
- 1953-1954 : Board Member of National Coalition and Peace Front
- 1953-1955 : Chairman VietNam Citizens League.
- 1954-1956 : Governor of South Viet-Nam
- 1956 : President Constituent Assembly
- 1957 : President National Legislative Assembly
- 1957-1958 : Leader of Majority Group at the National Legislative Assembly.
- 1959-1961 : Reelected at National Legislative Assembly  
Member Constitutional Court, Member Special Court of Justice.
- 1961-1964 : Ambassador of the Republic of Viet-Nam to Australia and to New Zealand
- 1967 : Senator of the Viet-Nam Congress  
(Chairman of the Interior Committee)  
(Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee)

### OTHER ACTIVITIES:

- Chairman of the VietNam Council on Foreign Relations
- President of Commercial and Industrial Bank of VietNam
- Past President of Saigon Rotary Club.

Party: Xa Hoi Dan Chu (Soc Dem Party)

(Bloc "originally, under law, then a "group")

[ Sit on left - preempt position for Communists who will surely participate in next Senate election in 1970.]

Senators - myself Dang Van Dung, Phan Huu Quat,

Deputies "Dan Dem" group, Dr Nguyen Ngoc Khoa Thinh

Personalities - myself Tran Quoc Binh, Thiem Van Thuyen

Lam Thanh Nguyen (HAT of Chau Doc)

Ng Bia Bieu (2<sup>nd</sup> VP) (Cath)

Sung - Pres - but will become Sec Gen

Sung - 1<sup>st</sup> VP - " " Pres.

Lam

[Lam & Sung principal financial backers]

Group has put three 3 laws:

- 1) Agrarian Reform - urban + village
- 2) Social Security
- 3) Land Reform - 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage

Ask for text +  
translations

Wants eventual contact + relief of Soc Devs of Germany + Japan (DLP = Shimpei Fujimaki)

DK? 3 laws? Thunks? Then? Key?

Personal relief: Law has had no contact w/ them

Formal relief w/ them

Polit relief: w/ TV Don, Ng Xuan Daik - but not serious

There is also alliance of New (Tan) Dai Viet, under Ng Tan

Hoan, supported DPLP

Then knows of Lam's group but keeps hands off policy

in Senate now have 32 followers

In House about 50

Summary: Lam wants he is not considered a "Red Democrat, New Can Lao".

The outside, influential but not active.

Has to be fast flying and is doing