

DEPARTMENT OF  
HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE  
Office of Education  
Washington 25, D. C.

Biographical Data

NAME: Mr. Nguyen Dinh Hung

ADDRESS: 12 Hong-thap-Tu, Saigon, South Vietnam

AGE: 41

ENGLISH ABILITY: Fair (Interpreter advised)

PRESENT POSITION: Instructor in Physics and Assistant to the Rector in  
University Administration, University of Saigon.

FIELD OF INTEREST: Organization and administration of higher education and  
the teaching of physics on the university level.

EDUCATION: Licence of Science (B.S., plus)

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: This participant's major objective is to study the  
organization and administration of higher education in  
America. The study of higher education will contribute  
to the administrative reorganization of the University  
of Saigon and provide assistance in increasing the  
financial support of the university.

The work in physics will extend the range of this  
instructor's competence in this area and permit the  
expansion and enrichment of the present university  
curriculum in physics.

By virtue of the participant's function as assistant  
to the Rector, an appropriate adaptation of the knowledge  
gained in the United States can be expected to be effectively  
integrated into the present university organization and  
operation.

PROGRAM OFFICER: Dr. Robert W. Harper  
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## FOREIGN OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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On Technical Assistance Participants Visiting the U. S.

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DATE SENT

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ATTACHMENTS

TA NO.

30-66-151-1-70258

ACTIVITY TITLE

Teacher Training  
& Higher Education -  
Part II: Higher Educ.

COUNTRY

Vietnam

FIELD OF ACTIVITY

Education

PROPOSED ARRIVAL DATE U.S.

July 15, 1957

PROPOSED DURATION OF VISIT

3 months

INSTRUCTIONS TO PARTICIPANTS: Prepare this form on a typewriter in English. In order to prevent delay and to assist in planning your program, answer every question clearly and completely. If more space is needed, use a blank sheet of typing paper. Write your name, country, and date of birth on each sheet.

### INFORMATION REGARDING PARTICIPANT

1. NAME (Last or Surname in capital letters) (First) (Middle) SEX (M or F)  
HUNG Nguyen Dinh M.  
2. ADDRESS (Street) (City or Town) (Country)  
12 Hong-thap-Tu Saigon South Vietnam

3. BIRTH DATE (Day, Month, Year) 4. BIRTH PLACE (City & Country) 5. COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP  
11 January 1916 Dai-Dien, Kien-Hoa, SVN Vietnam

6. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR YOUR SPOUSE, YOUR FATHER, AND YOUR MOTHER

SPOUSE	NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH
	Lê Thi NAU	2-20-1920	Tân-An - Vinh-Long, SVN
MOTHER	Trần Thi DE	1892	Dai-Dien, Ben-tre
FATHER	Nguyen Dinh CONG	1888	My-Long, OCCUPATION

7. PERSON AT HOME TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY (Name, Address, and Relationship)  
M. Lê Van NGA, 225 Trần-hung-Dao - Saigon : father-in-law

8. PERSON IN U. S. TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY (Name, Address, and Relationship)  
No

9. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN IN THE U. S.? IF SO, WHEN, WHERE, FOR HOW LONG AND FOR WHAT PURPOSE?

No

10. HAVE YOU EVER TRAVELLED TO COUNTRIES OTHER THAN U. S., IF SO, WHEN, WHERE, AND FOR HOW LONG? (Include travel for educational purposes as well as pleasure)

France.

11. HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN OR APPLIED FOR ANY OTHER U. S., U. N., OR PRIVATE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ACTIVITY? IF SO, SPECIFY:

No

12. LIST MEMBERSHIP IN EDUCATIONAL, PROFESSIONAL, AGRICULTURAL, LABOR OR OTHER TYPES OF ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIETIES OF A SIMILAR NATURE. IF YOU HOLD OFFICE IN ANY OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS, SPECIFY.

No

13. OBJECT OF PROPOSED VISIT. BE SPECIFIC. INDICATE FIELD OF ENDEAVOR, CROP, PRODUCT, PROCESS, TECHNIQUE, ETC. TO BE OBSERVED, STUDIED, OR WORKED ON. E. G. MILK MARKETING, ETC.

To participate in an Education Division USOM/Saigon sponsored tour to US for a period of 3 months.

NAME OF PARTICIPANT <b>Nguyen Dinh HUNG</b>			COUNTRY <b>Vietnam</b>		DATE OF BIRTH <b>1-11-1916</b>	
14. EDUCATION: INCLUDE INFORMATION CONCERNING PREPARATORY OR SECONDARY SCHOOLS, UNIVERSITIES OR OTHER INSTITUTIONS OF EQUIVALENT RANK, IF YOU ATTENDED A TRADE OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL OR COMPLETED APPRENTICESHIP INCLUDE THAT ALSO.						
SCHOOLS ATTENDED	TYPE	COURSE OF STUDY OR MAJOR	DEGREES, DIPLOMAS OR CERTIFICATES	DATE		
				FROM	TO	
<b>Ben-tre primary sch.</b>	<b>Primary</b>		<b>Primary Certif.</b>	<b>1921</b>	<b>1929</b>	
<b>My-tho</b>	<b>College</b>		<b>High Sch. Cert.</b>	<b>1929</b>	<b>1933</b>	
<b>Saigon, Pétrus Ky</b>			<b>Baccalaureate</b>	<b>1933</b>	<b>1936</b>	
<b>Hanoi &amp; Saigon</b>	<b>Univ.</b>		<b>Licence of Sc.</b>	<b>1941</b>	<b>1947</b>	

## 15. EMPLOYMENT

(A) EXACT TITLE OF YOUR PRESENT POSITION <b>Director of Administrative, financial &amp; Cultural Affairs.</b>		DATE EMPLOYED FROM <b>Nov. 1955</b> TO PRESENT TIME	
PRESENT EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS <b>University of Saigon</b>		APPROXIMATE SIZE OF BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION (Number of employees or volume of business)	
KIND OF BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION (Foundry, Milk Marketing, Cotton Textile Mfg., etc.)	MACHINES OPERATED (if applicable)	NUMBER AND KIND OF EMPLOYEES YOU SUPERVISE, IF ANY	
DESCRIPTION OF YOUR DUTIES			

→ Directing every department of the University of Saigon  
→ Teaching Physics.

(B) DO YOU EXPECT TO RETURN TO THIS SAME POSITION? ☒ YES ( ) NO IF NOT, HOW IS THE PROGRAM RELATED TO YOUR STUDIES AND FUTURE PLANS?


(C) EXACT TITLE OF YOUR LAST PREVIOUS POSITION <b>Professor at Lyceum Pétrus Ky</b>		DATES EMPLOYED FROM <b>1947</b> TO <b>1948</b>	
PREVIOUS EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS <b>Education Department of Vietnam</b>		APPROXIMATE SIZE OF BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION (Number of employees or volume of business)	
KIND OF BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION (Foundry, Milk Marketing, Cotton Textile Mfg., etc.)	MACHINES OPERATED (if applicable)	NUMBER AND KIND OF EMPLOYEES YOU SUPERVISED, IF ANY	
DESCRIPTION OF YOUR DUTIES			

Teaching.

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY	READING			SPEAKING			UNDERSTANDING		
	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR
ENGLISH			<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>
OTHER <b>French</b>	<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>			<b>X</b>		

BEFORE SIGNING THIS FORM CHECK BACK OVER IT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE ANSWERED ALL QUESTIONS CORRECTLY.

I CERTIFY that I have reviewed the statements made in this application and that they are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith. I further agree that if I am accepted under this program, I will follow diligently the program arranged as requested by my government and will not seek extension of the period of my program. I further agree that upon completion of my training, I will return to my country without delay and will endeavor to utilize, for the benefit of my country, the training acquired under this program.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT  **June 26, 1957**  
DATE

LANGUAGE CERTIFICATION: I CONCUR IN ITEM 16 ENTRIES FOR ENGLISH ( ) YES ( ) NO. IF "NO", EXPLAIN:

OFFICIAL TITLE	SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL	DATE
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CA 13-1 71-551 EJG:IP  PAGE 2	<b>PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION ORDER</b>  Participants  INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	1. COOPERATING COUNTRY  Vietnam	2. PIO NUMBER  30-66-151-1-70258
		3. PROJECT TITLE AND SUB-TITLE THIS ACTIVITY  Teacher Training and Higher Education Part II: Higher Education (FY-57)	

## 4. DESCRIPTION THIS ACTIVITY, RELATIONSHIP TO PERTINENT PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE UN, USA, ETC.

This project is designed to expand and improve the University of Saigon, the only operating institution of higher learning in Vietnam. Specifically, participant training under this project is designed to extend the professional horizons and increase the teaching competencies of key faculty members.

Ours is the only American agency working directly on this problem. Much attention is being given to related aspects by the French Government and some similar assistance is being given by the Colombo Plan countries.

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## 5. NAMES OF PARTICIPANTS, KINDS OF TRAINING NEEDED AND METHOD OF CARRYING OUT, RELATIVE EMPHASIS TO BE GIVEN VARIOUS PHASES, PROBLEMS IN COUNTRY OR INDUSTRY WHICH THIS TRAINING IS INTENDED TO SOLVE.

1. Mr. Nguyen Dinh Hung, Instructor in Physics and Assistant to the Rector in University Administration at the University of Saigon.

## Kinds of Training Needed and Method of Carrying Out:

This participant's major objective is to study the organization and administration of higher education in America. To meet the particular needs of Vietnam it is recommended that the participant spend at least one month with Dr. Hollis in the U.S. Office of Education. A custom program can be tailored for this participant by Dr. Hollis, Dr. Kerry Smith of the NEA, and the American Council on Education. Special emphasis should be given to methods of financing higher education, particularly the procurement of funds from alumni groups and other private sources.

As an instructor in physics the participant also wishes to spend one month studying the spectrography of the evening sky. It is suggested that either Stanford University or the University of California or the California Institute of Technology be contacted in this regard.

The study of higher education under Dr. Hollis' direction will contribute to the administrative reorganization of the University of Saigon and provide assistance in increasing the financial support of the university. The work in physics will extend the range of this instructor's competence in this area and permit the expansion and enrichment of the present university curriculum in physics.

## 6. CONTEMPLATED PLANS FOR DISSEMINATION AND USE OF KNOWLEDGE GAINED. GIVE DETAILS.

By virtue of the participant's function as assistant to the Rector, an appropriate adaptation of the knowledge gained in the U.S. can be expected to be effectively integrated into the present university organization and operation.

The physics curriculum will be enriched by the participant's experience in spectrography.

## 7. WAS REASONABLE ASSURANCE HAS BEEN GIVEN THE MISSION THAT THE APPLICANT(S) WILL, UPON COMPLETION OF THE VISIT RETURN TO THE POSITION HE LEFT, A SIMILAR POSITION, OR A SUPERIOR ONE IN THE SAME FIELD OF ACTIVITY?

This participant is presently serving as a regular member of the University Faculty. A prime basis for his selection for training in the U.S. was his demonstrated competence in instruction and research, and his and the University's desire to continue service on the faculty. In addition to his present faculty

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Our participation is critically needed, not only because of the fields of specialization in which further training is needed, but also because of the political implications for the development of an appreciation and understanding of American culture and the democratic way of life.

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status, this participant has signed a 10-year contract with the University as additional insurance that his training in the U.S. will be available to the University of Saigon for at least the next decade.