



Statement by Mr. Pham Quang Hoang,
Deputy Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations
at the 6th Summit of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations
on Agenda Item 10, "The Rule of Law at International and
national levels"
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Mr. Chairman,

Viet Nam aligns itself with the statements delivered by the Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations, Ambassador Pham Quang Hoang, and the Representative of Viet Nam to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, Ambassador Pham Quang Hoang.

Mr. Chairman,

Viet Nam commends the efforts of the United Nations in promoting the rule of law at both national and international levels. Viet Nam is proud to have been a member of the United Nations since 1975, and a member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations since 1995. Viet Nam has always been a strong supporter of the rule of law at the national and international levels. Viet Nam has been a member of the United Nations since 1975, and a member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations since 1995. Viet Nam has always been a strong supporter of the rule of law at the national and international levels. Viet Nam has been a member of the United Nations since 1975, and a member of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations since 1995. Viet Nam has always been a strong supporter of the rule of law at the national and international levels.

Mr. Chairman,

Adherence to the rule of law forms legal foundation for the effective responses and solutions needed to deal with the many challenges that the

international community is now facing. Achieving full implementation of the Charter of the United Nations, full implementation of international law at the national and international levels is the only way to ensure peace, peaceful settlement of disputes, and sustainable development, including economic development. In this regard, Viet Nam would like to emphasize the role of international community in upholding the fundamental principles of sovereign equality of States, peaceful settlement of disputes and respect for territorial integrity.

Mr. Chairman,

Towards the year 2015, Viet Nam will be a member of a new ASEAN-based organization with its own Charter and legal personality. The importance accorded to the rule of law has been reflected in the ASEAN Charter where the rule of law is enshrined as both a purpose and a principle. As a member of ASEAN, Viet Nam will continue to remain committed to a cohesive, economically integrated ASEAN Community. In 2015, ASEAN will have the advantage of current and future opportunities to enhance regional and international channels for economic growth, stability and security in the region. In this regard, we would like to emphasize the importance of full implementation of the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea (DOC) and the early conclusion of a Code of Conduct in the South China Sea (COC), to ensuring the peaceful resolution of disputes in accordance with universally recognized principles of international law, including the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Mr. Chairman,

On this occasion, Viet Nam wishes to reaffirm its commitments to uphold the promotion and protection of the rule of law at the national and international levels in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations. In the Sixth Committee we should focus on the commitments made at the High Level Meeting on the Rule of Law at the national and international levels. Viet Nam is now revising its Constitution aiming to further facilitating the transition to a law-governed state. We will continue to work with the international community to

Viet Nam will work with all relevant actors in international community in promoting the rule of law at the international level.

I thank you Mr. Chairman.