

SPECIAL COMMUNIQUÉ

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:

Comrade Nguyen Phu Trong, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Viet Nam, Secretary of the Central Military Commission was born on 14 April 1944 in Dong Hoi Commune, Dong Anh District, Ha Noi, residing at No. 5, Thien Quang Street, Nguyen Du Ward, Hai Ba Trung District, Ha Noi. Being a public servant since 1967, Comrade Nguyen Phu Trong was admitted into the Communist Party of Viet Nam on 19 December 1967 and later on held various significant positions: member of the Party Central Committee in the 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th tenures; member of the Politburo of the Party Central Committee in the 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th tenures; member of the Politburo Standing Committee in the 8th tenure; Chairman of the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam in the 11th and 12th Legislatures; General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Viet Nam in the 11th, 12th and 13th tenures; and President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam from 2016 to 2021. Comrade Nguyen Phu Trong was also 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, and Chairman of the Central Steering Committee on Corruption Prevention and Combat. Comrade Nguyen Phu Trong also served as deputy to the National Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam in the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th Legislatures.

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, Ha Noi, at the age of 80.

Throughout his 60 years of service, Comrade 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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