

**VICE CHAIRMAN NGUYỄN CÔNG NGỌ'S SPEECH  
AT THE UN DPADM INHOUSE SEMINAR**

Ladies and gentlemen, distinguished guests,

On behalf of the Vietnam delegation, I would like to send you our warmest greetings.

With Vietnam being a member of the UN Convention Against Corruption, we know very well that corruption is implicitly undermine the solid foundation of our society, upsetting the process of decision-making and policy-making, thereby hindering the healthy development of the economy and the society in our country and across the world.

Vietnam realizes that eliminating corruption is no easy task. Combating corruption has become the most important goals of the political system of Vietnam. This is the guiding principle for Vietnam in cooperating with international organizations to develop a legal framework to prevent corruption and to develop a comprehensive national anti-corruption strategy. We believe that with our strong political commitment, the challenges of anti-corruption tasks can be tackled.

**Vietnam holds the following points of view about the fight against corruption:**

- Prevention of and fight against corruption is a critical mission, with both urgent and long term implications to the country, through the process of economic development and strengthening the rule of law in our country;
- Anti-corruption is the responsibility of the whole political system. We need to promote synergy of disciplines, at all levels, to enhance the role of civil society, organizations and the general public in the fight against corruption.
- We apply a variety of solutions and anti-corruption measures, including prevention, detection and handling of corruption cases, with firm steps, focusing on prevention.
- We build strong task force as the core of the prevention, detection and handling of corruption and work closely with the media in the process.
- We aim for integration and closer international cooperation in anti-corruption activities, collaborating effectively with other countries and international organizations; summarizing best practices of other countries' experience in the prevention and fight against corruption.

**Vietnam's objectives in the fight against corruption:**

- To prevent and gradually eliminate corruption, eliminating opportunities and conditions for corruption, contribute to the development of a strong cadres of public officials with high level of integrity, synergizing with other forces in the society in the implementation of measures to prevent, detect and punish corruption.

- Minimize the conditions and opportunities for corruption to take place in the policy-making, formulation and implementation of laws, especially in the promulgation and implementation of law enforcement documents.
- Increase control in the exercise of state power, prevent abuse of power and office holders from seeking personal benefits through improving the civil service's efficiency, transparency and service attitude, culturing honesty, impartiality, integrity, dedication, professionalism among civil servants and public employees, promoting ethical standards, professional ethics in the public service.
- Create a competitive business environment of equality, fairness and transparency to attract investment domestically and abroad, contributing to economic growth, to raise awareness of law-abiding businesses, eliminating bribes in the relationship between enterprises and government agencies and in commercial transactions.

### **Vietnam's anticorruption measures and solution in the coming period:**

1. To continue improving transparency in the operations of the government, limiting conditions and opportunities for corruption within the policy-making, formulation and implementation of laws
  - Ensure transparency in the process of planning, programming and approving policies, laws, and decisions associated with the public administration reform;
  - Ensure transparency of decisions in the investigation, prosecution, trial and execution.
2. Control the exercise of state power, improve quality of public service, capacity building for civil employees and improve the quality of performance of official duties;
  - Clearly define the authorities of each working position, responsibility of heads of agencies, organizations and units based on the performance reviews;
  - Integrate anti-corruption in training programs and raise public awareness; define responsibilities of staff and employees in the prevention, detection, handling of corruption;
  - Publicize the regime, norms, standards and public performance, institutionalize the declaration of assets of officials and public servants, first of all the assets of heads of agencies, organizational units.
  - Promote the development, publicize and strengthen supervision of the implementation of code of conduct, business ethics of civil servants and public officers and employees in accordance with law.
3. Improve the economic management mechanism, build competitive business environment based on equality, fairness and transparency;

- Implement transparent and consistent economic development policies;
  - Create conditions for business associations, professional associations to be involved in the formulation of policies, laws and propose amendments and supplements, to overcome the loopholes in mechanisms and policies that can create opportunities for corruption.
  - Continue to develop and perfect the mechanism of management and use of public resources, to ensure publicity and transparency of procurement centers; consider to implement centralized procurement system and other transparent procurement mechanisms including public auction, liquidation, assignment, leasing of public assets.
4. Improve the effectiveness and efficiency of inspection, testing, supervision, auditing, investigation, prosecution and adjudication, detection, handling of corruption
- Strengthen the independence and accountability of the law enforcement agencies. Promote training and improving professional skills and professional in anti-corruption, political quality, skill and professional ethics for officials and civil servants in the inspection, testing, auditing, prosecution investigation and trial of corruption cases;
  - Continue to strengthen the organization and operation of the units responsible for anti-corruption reform; consider to establish specialized anti-corruption agencies taking into account Vietnam's particular contexts.
5. Raise public awareness and promote the role of society in anti-corruption
- Enhance the role of the Fatherland's Front and its member organizations, other mass organizations, social organizations, professional societies in the prevention of corruption.
  - Promote the role of media in preventing and fighting corruption, ensuring the provision of timely and accurate information about corruption cases to the press and media; building and training in professional conducts and integrity in journalism, communications for members of the media.

Ladies and gentlemen, with a heightened sense of responsibility as a member of the International Convention against corruption, Vietnam is committed to closer cooperation with international organizations and other countries in anti-corruption programs and initiatives.

We look forward to continued cooperation with international organizations in the fight against corruption for better achievements in the future.

Thank you for your attention!