

The delegation will be accompanied during its visit to southern Vietnam by Vu Mao, head of the Office of the National Assembly and State Council, and Bouasi Chaleunsouk, Lao ambassador to Vietnam.

Laos, Cambodia Send Sympathies to Flood Victims

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[Text] Hanoi VNA July 24—Vietnamese party and state leaders have received messages of sympathies from their Lao and Cambodian counterparts over human and material losses caused by recent floods to several regions in Vietnam.

The message from Laos was jointly signed by Kaysone Phomvihane, general secretary of the Lao People's Revolutionary Party Central Committee and Chairman of the Lao Council of Ministers Phoumi Vongvichit, acting president of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Nouthak Phoumsavan, president of the Lao People's Supreme Assembly. The message from Cambodia was signed by Hun Sen, chairman of the Council of Ministers.

The messages expressed their hope that the Vietnamese people in the flood-stricken areas would soon overcome difficulties and their life would soon return to normal.

Australia Reportedly To Send Emergency Aid

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[Text] Hanoi VNA July 26—Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade Gareth Evans was reported to have said in Canberra on July 23 that the Australian Government had decided to send 100,000 dollars as emergency aid to Vietnam to help ease food shortages in flood-stricken areas.

'Get-Together' Marks Space Flight With USSR

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[Text] Hanoi VNA July 24—A get-together took place here yesterday evening to mark the 10th anniversary of the Vietnamese-Soviet space flight (July 23).

Present at the event were Dang Huu, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam and president of the Vietnam-U.S.S.R. Friendship Association, and Anatoliy Sergeevich Veronin, minister counsellor of the Soviet Embassy.

Addressing the audience, the Soviet diplomat said the successful Vietnamese-Soviet space flight 10 years ago marked a new development of the scientific cooperation between the two countries. He said that the recent 28th CPSU Congress reiterated the Soviet Union's continued efforts to further develop cooperation with its fraternal and friendly countries, including Vietnam.

Taking the floor, Dang Huu informed the audience of the use of pictures and documents taken by cosmonaut

Pham Tuan during his space flight in the planning and expansion of some scientific and technological fields in Vietnam.

Leaders Greet Cuba on National Rebellion Day

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[Text] Hanoi VNA July 25—General Secretary of the Communist Party of Vietnam Central Committee Nguyen Van Linh, State Council President Vo Chi Cong, and Chairman of the Council of Ministers Do Muoi today sent their greetings to Fidel Castro Ruz, first secretary of the Communist Party of Cuba Central Committee, president of both the Council of State and the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Cuba, on the 37th day of National Rebellion of the country (July 26).

The message praises the July 26, 1953 attack on the Moncada barracks as a glorious epic in Cuba's history, ushering in a decisive period in the Cuban people's staunch, heroic struggle which led to the victory on Jan. 1, 1959, over-throwing the Batista dictatorship and bringing the country into an era of independence, freedom and socialism.

The message highlights achievements recorded by the Cuban people under the leadership of the Communist Party of Cuba over the past more than three decades in surmounting trials and hardships, spoiling the enemy's schemes and acts of sabotage, and developing the country, thus actively contributing to the common struggle for peace, national independence, democracy and social progress. It also expresses the joy of the communist party, the government and the entire people of Vietnam over those achievements, and wishes the fraternal Cuban people still greater successes in their glorious revolutionary cause.

On this occasion, Chairman of the National Assembly Le Quang Dao has also extended his greetings to the President of the Cuban National Assembly of the People's Power, Juan Escalona Reguera.

Sports Team To Participate in Beijing Asiad

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[Text] Hanoi VNA July 24—A 114-member Vietnamese sport team will participate in the 11th Asiad to be held in Beijing, China, from Sep. 22-Oct. 7, announced the Vietnam Olympic Committee recently.

The Vietnamese athletes will compete in 11 (eleven) events: shooting, table-tennis, boxing, women's gymnastics with apparatus, all-in wrestling, track-and-field, swimming, men's volley-ball, martial art, judo and fencing.

The team is led by Prof. [Professor] Duong Nghiep Chi, vice president of the Vietnam Olympic Committee.