

Dân Biểu Chris Hayes lên tiếng về 2 tù nhân lương tâm Phan Văn Thu và Ngô Hòa

Tin Úc Châu: Dân Biểu Chris Hayes vừa viết thư cho bà Ngoại Trưởng Julie Bishop yêu cầu chính phủ Úc quan tâm đến trường hợp hai tù nhân lương tâm Phan Văn Thu và Ngô Hòa Ông Phan Văn Thu bị tù chung thân trong vụ án Bia Sơn.



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Còn ông Ngô Hòa bị kết tội 15 năm tù vì đã "nhận tiền của tổ chức 'Chính phủ Việt Nam cộng hòa lưu vong' để hoạt động".



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Cả hai hiện đang bị giam trong trại Xuân Phước tỉnh Phú Yên, cả hai đều đã già yếu bệnh tật nên cần được quan tâm đặc biệt.

Nguyễn Quang Duy
Melbourne, Úc Đại Lợi
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Đọc tiếp nguyên văn thư của Dân Biểu Chris Hayes



Chris Hayes MP

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30 October 2014

The Hon Julie Bishop
Minister for Foreign Affairs
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Dear Minister

It is with great concern that I write to you regarding the human rights situation in Vietnam. As I have expressed in my previous correspondence, there have been systemic violations of human rights committed by the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

On this occasion, I wish to bring to particularly your attention the imprisonment of two dissidents, Mr Phan Van Thu and Mr Ngo Hoa who are both being held in Xuan Phuoc prison in Phu Yen province.

Mr Phan Van Thu, together with 21 other dissidents were arrested on 5 February 2012, accused of subversion and attempting to overthrow the government under an organisation called the Council for the Laws and Public Affairs of Bia Son. Following a week-long trial, Mr Phan was officially charged on 4 February 2013 under Article 79 of the Vietnamese Penal Code. He was sentenced to life imprisonment while his other co-accused received between 10 to 17 years jail terms.

This ruling is not only harsh but one that is particularly concerning given that a sentence of such would only arise in the west for capital offences such as murder. This move by the Vietnamese authorities is not only indicative of their crackdown on dissidents, but their attempt to silence activists who are critical of the Government's view.

Similarly Mr Ngo, an online blogger, was also charged under Article 79 of the Vietnamese Penal Code. He was arrested on 8 February 2013 for his blog posts in support of imprisoned Vietnamese activists. Following an unfair trial, Mr Ngo was sentenced to 15 years imprisonment with a further 5 years under house-arrest.

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I have been advised that Mr Ngo's health is rapidly deteriorating due to poor prison conditions. Mr Ngo's family as well as members from the Australian Vietnamese community are worried about his condition and are urging Vietnamese authorities to provide him access to urgent medical care. At this stage, I have been advised that no action has been forthcoming from the Vietnamese authorities.

Mr Phan Vu Thu and Mr Ngo Hao's life and liberty are at great risk. For that reason, I respectfully request the Australian Government to take an active interest in their case.

Yours sincerely



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