



Veterans Association of Vietnam (VAVN)

Warmest greetings and best wishes to the Excellency President of
VECONAC, Head of Delegations, Delegates and all Observers
from Sr. Lt. Gen. (ret.) **Nguyen Van Duoc**,
President & Head of Delegation of VAVN

VAVN Achievements in 2019

I. POLITICAL

Hold Celebration of 30th Foundation of VAVN (06/12/1989 – 06/12/2019) and 6th National Congress of VAVN's Patriotic Emulation Movement (2014-2019).

- * Reaffirmed: All VAVN's levels are "Faithful, United, Exemplary, Innovative".
- * 530 advanced typical delegates were elected to the Celebration & Congress.
- * **Achievements from 2014-2019:**
 - + 11,890 members were admitted to the Party.
 - + 150,000 members were elected to the People's Councils, Administration, leadership Boards
 - + VAVN is a socio-political organization, member of the Vietnam Fatherland Front.
 - + VAVN carries out its tasks comprehensively in all fields:
 - + Contribution to stabilize social & political condition.
 - + Contribution to safeguard of the regime, country & People
 - + Deserved the trust of Administrations & People.

Party, State & National Assembly Leaders with Veterans Leaders of VAVN, CVA & LaoNVF at the Ceremony



PM Nguyen Xuan Phuc presented the First Class Labor Medal to VAVN at the 30th Celebration of VAVN's Foundation, (06.12. 1989 – 06.12.2019) and 6th National Congress of Patriotic Emulation Movement



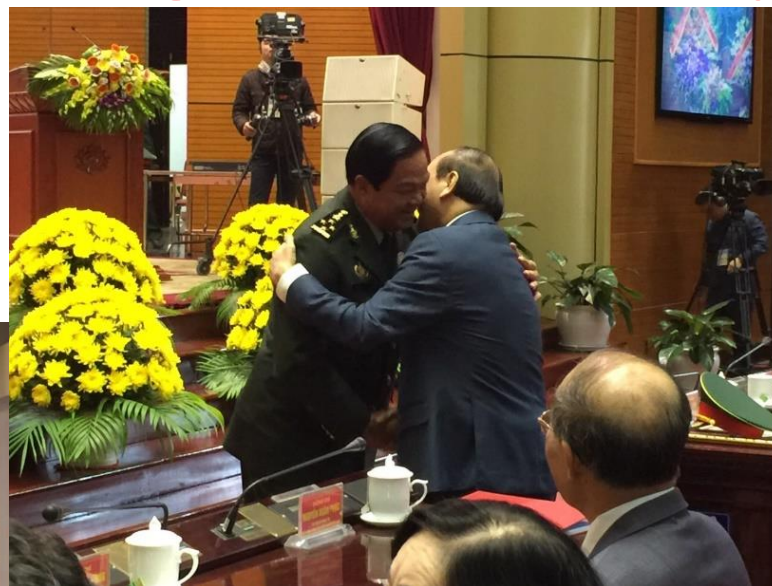
Gen. Ngo Xuan Lich, VN DM highly valued VAVN's Role, Missions & achievements and reassured fully support and assistance VAVN at all levels



Maj. Gen SomPhon Keo-Mi-xay, President of LNVF delivered speech and presented the Lao PDR's Labor Medals to Leaders of VAVN

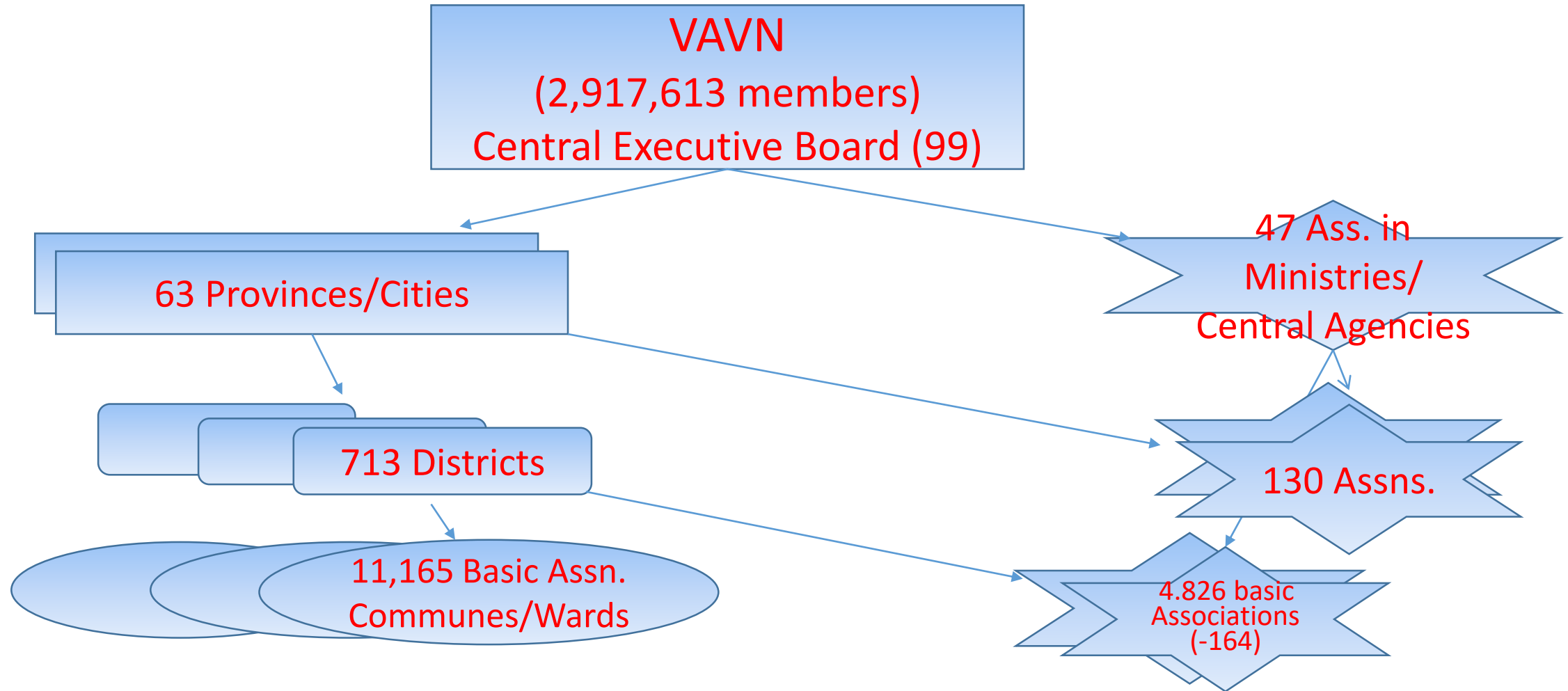


Gen. Kun Kim, S.Gen. of CVA Delivered Speech appraising VAVN's cooperation



Some advanced examples in the emulation
movement in the last 5 years

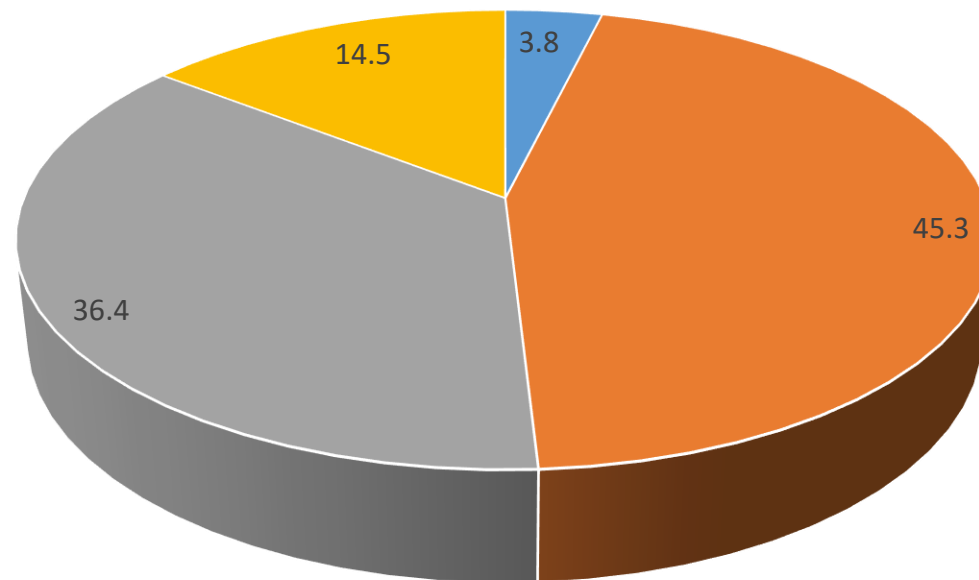
II. Organization structure



Veterans in periods

(in thousands)

- Resistance against French: 113 (3.8%)
- Resistance against US: 1,318 (45.3%)
- Protected Border wars & International Missions: 1,062,000 (36.4%)
- Ex-Servicemen: 425 (14.5%)



- Anti-French Clonialism: 113 (3.8%)
- Anti-US Imperialism 1,3318 (45.2%)
- Protected Border Wars & Intl Misions: 1,062 (36.4%)
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Some sort / statistics of Veterans

- Women: 253,000 members (mbs)
- Ethnic minorities: 374,000 mbs
- War invalids: 435,000 mbs
- Infected with Agent Orange: 140,000 mbs
- Enjoy pensions & Social benefits: 410,000
- Health insurance and social benefits: for Vets. of Protected Border Wars & International Missions:
- Generals : 479 members
- Heroes of the Armed Forces: 601 members
- Heroes in the Renovation Period: 21 mem.

III. Economic Achievements

1. The Veterans movements assist each other to improve their economy and living conditions, strive for sustainable poverty reduction and enrichment in legal framework, actively and effectively participate in local socio-economic development programs.

2. **Results (2014-2019):**

Eliminated 29,514 dilapidated houses. Reduced 20,800 poor households.

Veterans lend each other without or low interest rate or material, fertilizers, seeds...etc. valued USD 60 million. Develop more enterprises (8,700); cooperatives (3,830), farms (74,000) etc. with 604,000 labors.

There's no poor veteran households in 3,539/11,165 (31.7%) communes;
104/713 (14.63%) Distr.; 27/63 (42.8%) Provinces

Economic (cont.)

3. Veterans Set up Business Association of Vietnam Veterans (BAV) in 48 provinces (+7).
4. Cooperated with BAV to organize “Gratitude to comrades” in 2019 donating VND 3 trillion to social and charitable Funds & Movements.
5. Veterans businesses always pay full taxes, protect the environment and gratitude to comrades.
6. Some photos:

Visited veteran's export crafts factory & farms



IV. Participate in coordinated Programs

1. Actively participated in all movements and coordinated programs, campaigns... in localities with projects such as: “The entire people unite to build culture life in residential areas, smart towns”, “Preserve traffic safety and order” etc.
2. Organized training courses on: Environmental protection (300); exploit efficiently loans from the Vietnam Bank for Social Policies (350 classes); Training job for veterans etc.
3. Donations to support funds for disaster prevention or for the poor etc.
4. Summed up 5 year coordination programs with the Defense Ministry, Co-operative Alliance & other Ministries.

Coordinated Programs cont.

5. Signing coordinated Programs with Ministries and organizations (such as Fatherland Front, the Interior, Justice Ministries etc.) on law education, improve the satisfaction index of the people, anti-corruption and social feedback/criticism.

6. Participating in the movement “contribution/donation of initiative, land, work, money...etc.”. From 2014-2019, VAVN donated 7.9 million of square meters of land, 5.3 million working-days & VNĐ 980 billion; built and upgraded 13,000 km of rural road; Build and dredge 20,000 km of interior field canals.

7. Some photos:

Signing MOUs with Gov., Ministries & Organizations



Signing MOU with the National Traffic Safety Committee & Business Association of Vietnamese Veterans



on Environmental protection, support the poor



V. Protection of legitimate rights and interests of veterans, Ex-servicemen

1. Signing coordinated program with the National 1237 (now 515) Steering Committee on improving the effectiveness of providing information about Martyrs.
2. Held symposiums on building new Veterans Law.
3. Held workshops on legal aid for veterans.
4. Mobilize social support for Veterans and their children.

Achievement from 2014-2019:

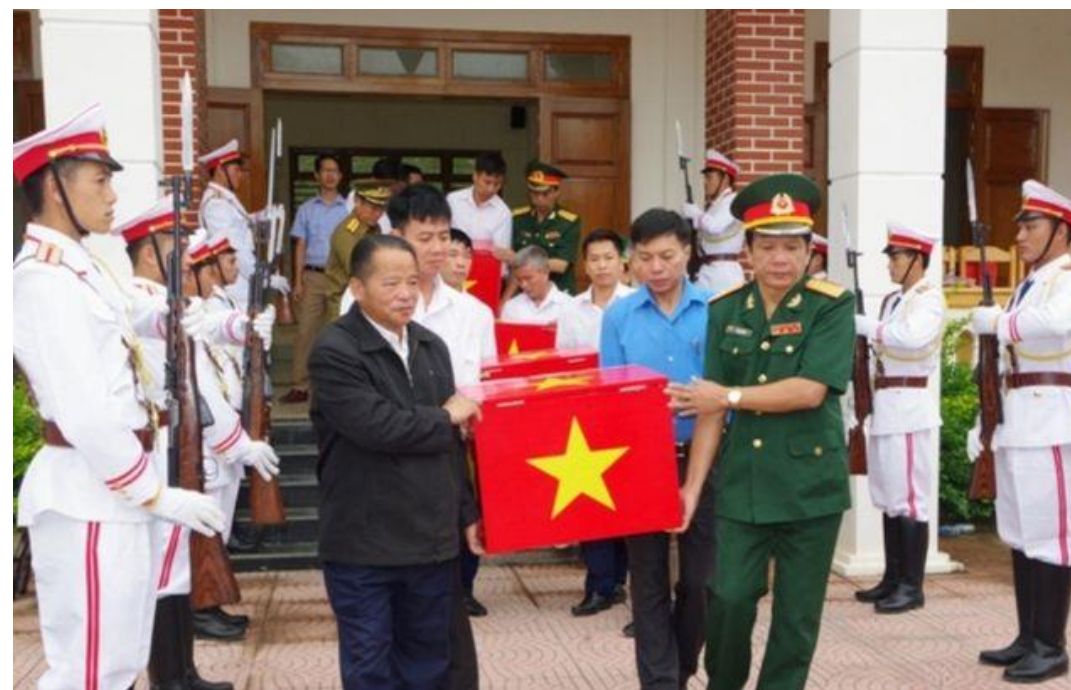
- * Provided 971,000 coupon/votes to fill information about martyrs' burial sites.
- * Participated in 2,000 surveys of burial sites.
- * Coordinated with local authorities to bring 3,072 martyrs' remains sets to their home cemetery.
- * Participating in the certification process for 2,650 Vets to enjoy benefiting from the policy.
- * Cooperating with other org. to solve Vets' complaints & denunciations.

V. Protect Veterans' rights and interests (cont.)

- * Cooperated with BAV and other groups in organizing a program of "The Veterans' Gratitude Fund", thereby in 2019, mobilizing VND 70 billion (USD 2.9 mil.) to support veterans facing special difficulty.
- * Built 831 houses (valued VND 49 bil. ~ USD 2.1 mil.) for poor vets.
- * Presented 103,000 gifts (~USD 1.7 mil.) to Vets and 2,385 scholarships for vets' children.
- * The Vietnam Friendship Village nursed 540 Veterans infected with Agent Orange (rotation 1 month) and 112 disable children of Vets' (for 2 years each).
- * Help Ex-Servicemen to organize their clubs (36.330 clubs with more than 1.6 million of Ex-servicemen participated).

With National 515 steering Committee on finding remains of MIA:

Set up a movement of providing information of MIA,
finding comrades in 2019-2020



Training to improve the capacity of staff



VI. The People's Diplomacy

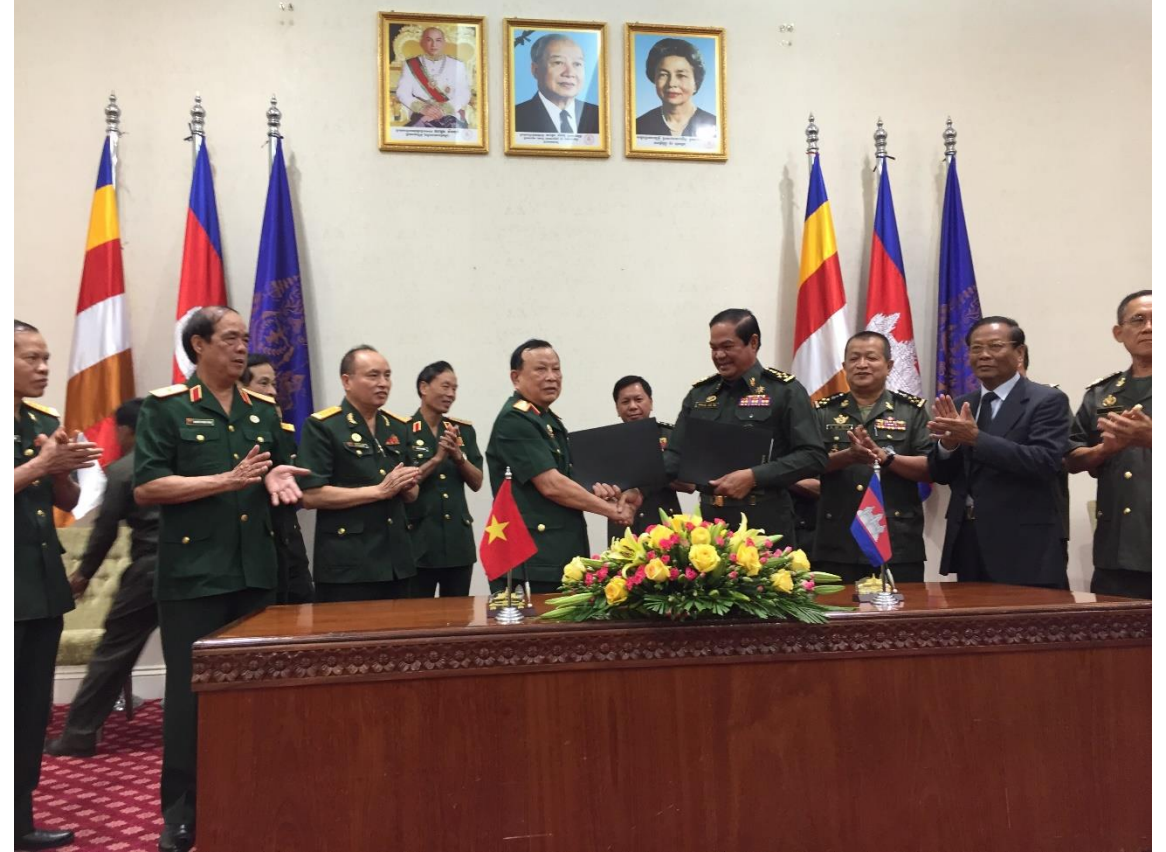
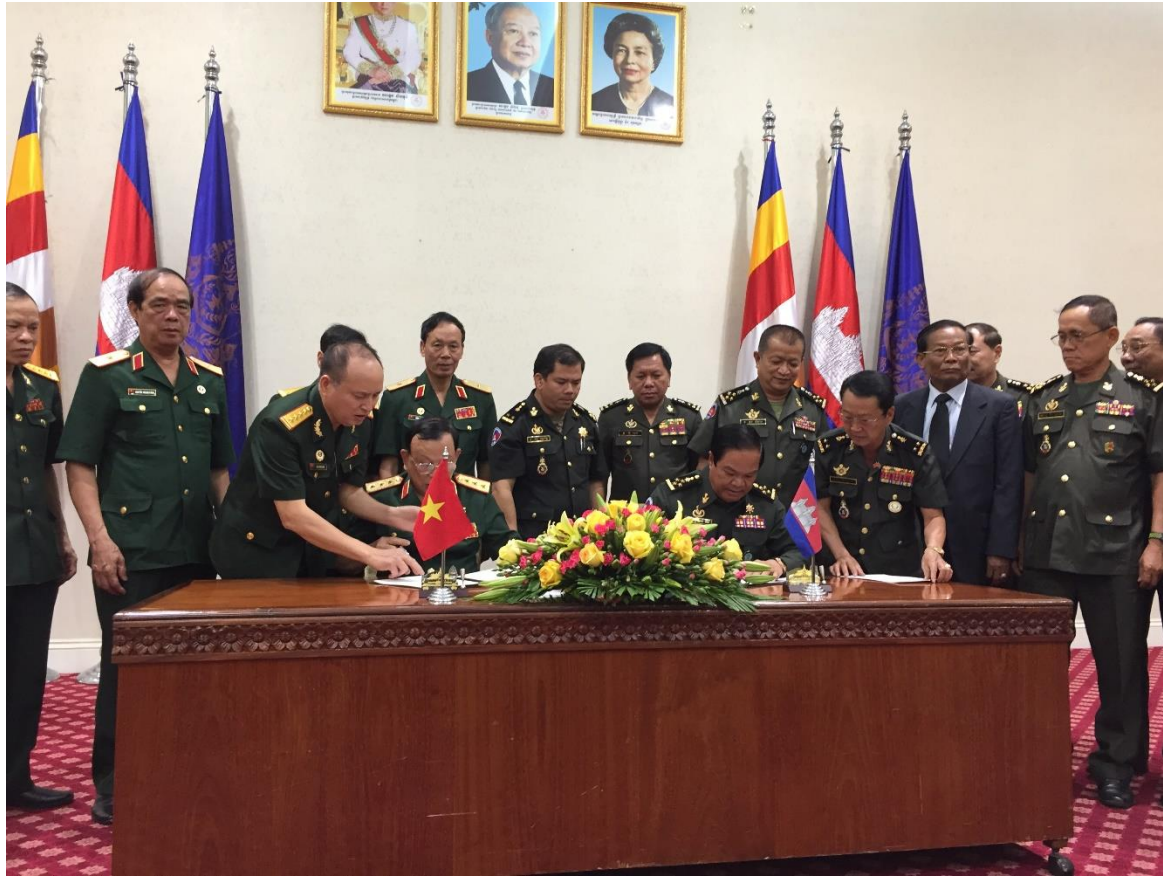
1. Continued being developed in line with national objectives.

- Signing MOU with CVA (Mar. 2019).
- Sent 35 groups (233 Veterans) visiting aboard (in 2015-2019)
- In 2019: Receiving Foreign Guests (27 **groups with 681 guests**)

to exchange experience and improve cooperation, such as: Lt. Gen. Brian Fenton, Senior Mil. Adviser to USDM, Maj. Gen. Vice Commander of US Pacific Command; USA Ambassador; Maj Gen. Lifeni Make, South African Deputy Secretary General in MOD to exchange views about veteran works... Veterans groups from: Russian, Chinese, ROK, USA, etc.

2. Some photos:

Signing MOU between President Nguyen Van Duoc & CVA Gen. Secretary KUN KIM, Phnompenh, Feb. 2019



Attended World Veteran Federation's 29th GA in Paris, Feb. 2019



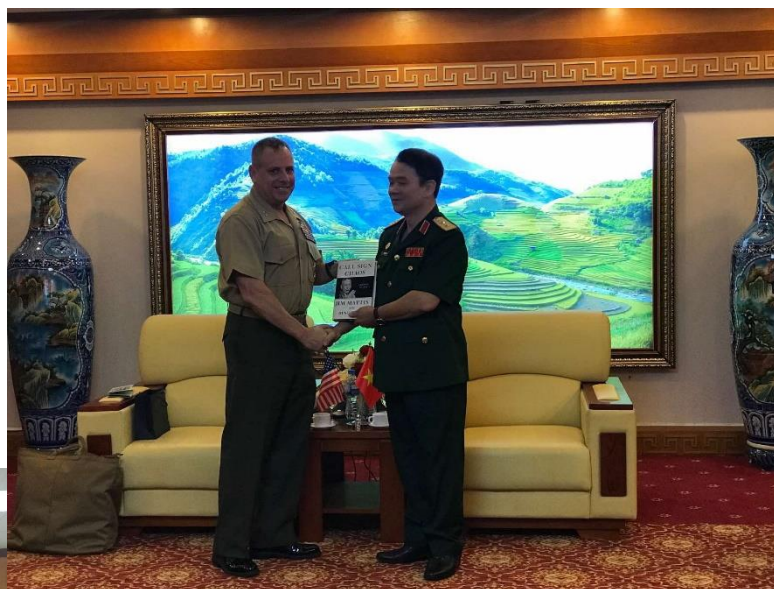
Visited China Nov. 2019



Visited Laos in June 2019



With Veterans & Guests from other countries





Receiving Lao Veterans in Jul. Dec. 2019



Received Madam Esper (USDAM) at Friendship Village in Ha Noi, Nov. 2019



Exchanged view with Lt.Gen. Fenton, USDM's Mil. Adviser, Nov. 2019



Receiving Chinese Vets. in Hanoi, Mar. Apr.& Nov. 2019



2020

Contribution to:

- Celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the founding SRVN (02 Sept. 1945– 02 Sept. 2020);
- 45th years of liberating the South and Re-unification the country - VN;
- 25th years of joining ASSEAN.
- Making preparation to ready to organize 20th GA. VECONAC (Dec. 2020).

Conclusion

- Overall, VAVN has successfully fulfilled its objectives and tasks of the year 2019.
- Please accept our best wishes of success to this 19th G.A. of VECONAC
- and best wishes of good health, happiness and prosperity to you all.
- Great pleasure to welcome you in Ha Noi, 20th GA

Thank you for your kind attention

