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The Honorable Dennis Hastert  
Speaker of the House  
235 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable William Frist  
Senate Majority Leader  
509 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Speaker and Majority Leader Frist,

The Vietnamese Silicon Valley Network ("VSVN") organization joins the multitude of leading American companies in urging Congress to pass H.R.5602 by the August recess and before President Bush's APEC trip to Vietnam. This bill will terminate the application of the Jackson-Vanik requirements and authorize the granting of permanent normal trade relations (PNTR) tariff treatment to products of Vietnam.

With over 1000 members, VSVN represents the interests of Vietnamese-American entrepreneurs, executives, inventors, and investors in the high-tech sector and those interested in doing business with them. Vietnamese-Americans, as a community, produce 40% more patents on an annual average basis than IBM, the number one holder of U.S. patents for the past eleven years. These innovations can now be developed, produced, manufactured, and tested more cost effectively in Vietnam.

In addition, for many of our members, operating and maintaining a presence in Vietnam is becoming a competitive advantage, producing tangible benefits for both the company and the consuming public in the United States. We expect this trend to continue, particularly now that Vietnam has greatly improved its legal regime in protecting intellectual property rights--the cornerstone for any successful high-tech industry.

Finally, many Vietnamese-Americans in the high-tech sector also welcome the opportunity to do business in Vietnam as a means to help rebuild their country of birth and to further the process of reconciliation between Vietnam and its 3 million plus overseas community. The granting of PNTR greatly facilitates and enhances this process.

We look forward to working with you on an expeditious approval of PNTR for Vietnam.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Q. Huy Do". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a white background.

Q. Huy Do  
President and Chairman