SUMMARY Country Report, VIETNAM 2006-2007

1. Vietnam became full member of WTO since 10 Jan. 2007. Its committed to implement SPS agreement immediately after joining WTO.

2. Vietnam also joined as a new party of Rotterdam Convention from August 2007.

3. During 2006-2007, Brown Plant hopper-BPH (*Nilaparvata lugens*) and Rice Ragged Stunt Virus (RSV)/Rice Grassy Stunt Virus (GSV) occurred and caused serious damage in rice field. More than 500.000ha infested by BPH and about 170.000ha infested by RSV/GSV. Coconut Beetle Weevil (*Brontispa sp.*) is successfully controlled by natural enemies imported.

4. IPM in rice granted by DANIDA, IPM on Vegetable assisted by FAO/IPM Regional are completed. The national IPM and other projects/program related to IPM assisted by number of donors are still going on. Main emphasizes in "Farmer Participatory Approach".

5. The National Campaign on "Food Safety" emphasized growing "safe Vegetable" and GAP program are under carrying out.

6. Plant quarantine system further strengthened and received more supports from the government/international. New/revised " plant quarantine Decree" in line with IPPC, WTO/SPS was approved by Government on 5/01/2007. Upto present eleven ISPMs were adopted as national standards. The National Plant protection and quarantine database and strategic plan 2007-2010 approved by Ministry and are under implementation.

7. Pesticide regulation/Decisions are under revising and amendments. Pesticide management and education program continue be implemented. As of March 2007, 696 a.i with 1.930 trade names have been registered for use, 16 a.i including 29 trade name of pesticides are restricted in use and 29 a.i are banned.

8. On going projects/programs related to plant protection and quarantine:

- Phytosanitary Capacity Building Project for CLMV countries second Phase assisted by NZAID 2007-2009.

- Improvement of Plant Quarantine treatment against Fruit Flies on Fresh fruits 2005-2007 assisted by JICA.

- IPM on citrus for Mountain area assisted by AUSAID, Australia

- Vietnam National CFC and Halon Phase-out Project 2007-2014 assisted by WB will be carried out soon...

9. During 2006-2007, number of Training/Workshops have been organised:

- National Consultation in Ratification of Rotterdam Convention, Hanoi, May 2006 supported by RC Secretariat

- APEC Regional Workshop on Food Safety, Hanoi Oct. 2006 under APEC Secretariat

-ASEAN-APHIS/USDA Workshop on Irradiation in HCMC 9-10/7/07 and National PQ Workshop in Hanoi 12/7/07 under APHIS support....