



Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Abuja

Press Release

No: MFA/PR/2025/81

NIGERIA CONGRATULATES THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM ON ITS INDEPENDENCE ANNIVERSARY

The Honourable Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Ambassador Yusuf Maitama Tuggar, extends warm congratulations to His Excellency Bùi Thanh Sơn, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, as the nation commemorates its 80th Independence Anniversary.

This anniversary stands as a testament to the resilience, unity, and determination of the Vietnamese people in their pursuit of sovereignty, peace, and national development. Nigeria joins Vietnam in celebrating this historic occasion, underscoring the shared values of freedom, progress, and international cooperation.

Nigeria and Vietnam have maintained cordial relations since the establishment of diplomatic relations in the year 1976 during Vietnam's struggle for reunification and reinforced with diplomatic presence in each other's capital in 2007. Relations have since been fostered by collaboration in trade, agriculture, investment, education, and multilateral engagements. Vietnam remains a key trade partner of Nigeria and the current volume of trade between both countries is about \$1 billion, as of the last quarter of 2024.

Both countries also work closely within the United Nations and other international platforms to advance global peace, sustainable development, and South-South cooperation.

Therefore, on this auspicious occasion, Nigeria reaffirms its readiness to deepen bilateral relations with Vietnam, explore new areas of partnership, and promote greater people-to-people ties for the mutual benefit of both nations.

We wish the Government and people of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, peace, prosperity and progress and Nigeria's continuing friendship and support.

Signed:

**Kimiebi Imomotimi Ebienfa,
Spokesperson,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Abuja.
Tuesday 2nd, September 2025**