

# Vietnam – France deplores the sentencing of Pham Doan Trang (Dec. 15)

France deplores the conviction and sentencing to nine year's imprisonment of Vietnamese journalist Pham Doan Trang, one of the country's most prominent human rights defenders and one of three recipients of the Reporters Without Borders (RSF) Press Freedom Award in 2019.

France calls for Ms. Pham Doan Trang's release and reaffirms its commitment to the freedom of speech and opinion. These rights and liberties are guaranteed by the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, to which Vietnam is a party.

France calls on Vietnam to abide by the international commitments that it has undertaken freely.

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