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## The 10th National Foreign Information Awards Ceremony

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(TTĐN) - On the evening of December 3 in Hanoi, the Central Propaganda Department, the Steering Committee for External Information Work, Vietnam Television and relevant agencies held the 10th National External Information Awards Ceremony.



Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia, Politburo member, Secretary of the Party Central Committee, Head of the Central Propaganda Department, Head of the Steering Committee for External Information Work spoke at the Award Ceremony.

The award ceremony was attended by Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia, Politburo member, Secretary of the Party Central Committee, Head of the Central Propaganda Department, Head of the Steering Committee for External Information Work; Comrade Bui Thanh Son, Member of the Party Central Committee, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs; leaders of central departments, ministries and branches; leaders of press agencies and award-winning authors.

The 10th National External Information Award attracted the enthusiastic participation of domestic and foreign agencies, organizations and individuals. The entries were not only diverse in genre but also rich in content, highlighting the image of a dynamic, integrated, resilient Vietnam overcoming challenges, while affirming the cultural identity and historical traditions of the nation. The Award Council awarded 10 first prizes, 20 second prizes, 30 third prizes and 49 consolation prizes to outstanding entries to the Award.



Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia, Politburo member, Secretary of the Party Central Committee, Head of the Central Propaganda Department, Head of the Steering Committee for External Information Work and Comrade Bui Thanh Son, Party Central Committee member, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Foreign Affairs awarded the First Prize to the authors and groups of authors.

Speaking at the Award Ceremony, Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia, Politburo member, Secretary of the Party Central Committee, Head of the Central Propaganda Department, Head of the Steering Committee for External Information Work, emphasized: looking back at the 10-year journey of formation and development of the National Award for External Information, we are pleased to see that the Award has affirmed its prestige and position, reaching beyond the territory of Vietnam with an increasing number of foreign authors/works.

On behalf of the Party and State leaders, Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia congratulated the award-winning authors - they not only have made outstanding contributions to external information work, bringing the image of Vietnam to the world, but are also soldiers on the ideological front, contributing to protecting the Party's ideological foundation, effectively fighting against false and hostile arguments.



The Organizing Committee awarded Second Prize to authors and groups of authors.

Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia acknowledged, highly appreciated and commended the member agencies of the Steering Committee for External Information Work, especially the press agencies holding the role of Standing Committee of the Award, namely Nhan Dan Newspaper, Vietnam Television, Voice of Vietnam, Vietnam News Agency; the close and regular coordination of the Central External Relations Commission, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the General Department of Politics of the Vietnam People's Army, the provincial and municipal Party Committees directly under the Central Government, etc.



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Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia said that foreign information work is identified as an important part of the Party's political, ideological and foreign affairs work, state diplomacy, and people's diplomacy; it is a regular and long-term task of the entire political system under the leadership of the Party. In order to meet and successfully complete the tasks of foreign information work in the coming time, Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia emphasized the following contents:

First of all, foreign information work needs to continue to be a sharp pioneering force, leading the way, creating the foundation and favorable conditions to help our country firmly enter a new era, an era of the Vietnamese people's rise; it is necessary to closely follow the country's development goals, closely linked to the major strategies of the Party and State with the motto "proactive, synchronous, timely, creative, effective"; at the same time, it is necessary to quickly grasp new media trends, build foreign information products that not only accurately reflect reality, but also have a forecasting and directional nature; ensure the good performance of its role and mission; contribute to promoting relations with neighboring countries, major countries, strategic partners, comprehensive partners, traditional friends and other important partners in depth and substance; constantly connect and deepen the sentiment between the Communist Party of Vietnam and political parties; contribute to consolidating a stable and peaceful foreign situation and creating the most favorable conditions for national development.

Second, promote innovation, encourage creative activities in propaganda and promotion of Vietnam, effectively exploiting the achievements of the Fourth Industrial Revolution. Foreign information needs to continue to affirm the history, tradition, culture, values and noble thoughts

of the Vietnamese people. Mentioning Vietnam is mentioning the national liberation hero, outstanding cultural figure Ho Chi Minh, General Vo Nguyen Giap with the Dien Bien Phu victory "famous in five continents, shaking the world". Our country is beautiful, a country of peace-loving, hospitable people, with a very unique national culture.

Foreign information needs to bring national soft power to a new level by positioning Vietnam as a "self-reliant, confident, self-reliant, self-reliant, proud" nation, working with humanity to build an increasingly better world. Taking people's lives as the center; taking national comprehensive strength as the basis to write the story of Vietnam in the new era, the new era. Third, pay attention to building and nurturing a foreign information force with strong political will, high professional qualifications, professional style, and sharp awareness. This force must be truly improved in quality, equal to the task. In which, the leading role is played by Vietnamese representative agencies abroad, the team of domestic and foreign reporters; at the same time, mobilizing and gathering a large number of people and international friends to participate, creating a "national position", "international solidarity" in foreign information work. In particular, he hopes and places his trust in the young people, with intelligence, creativity, and enthusiasm as weapons; along with love for the homeland and national pride as provisions, to make more positive contributions to foreign information work.





Some art performances at the award ceremony

Comrade Nguyen Trong Nghia believes that the Foreign Information Award will continue to have new developments, serving increasingly effectively the foreign information work, creating a solid foundation for the whole country to enter a new era, the era of the Vietnamese nation's rise./.

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