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**REPORT:  
REVIEW VIETNAM LEGAL FRAME WORK AGAINST COMMITMENTS ON  
EUROPEAN UNION – VIETNAM FREE TRADE AGREEMENT (EVFTA)  
ON TRANSPARENCY**

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## **PREAMBLE**

The Vietnam – EU Free Trade Agreement’s negotiation rounds were officially concluded in the early December 2015. It is among two biggest free trade pacts of Vietnam. Having large scope of commitments, covering a great deal of commercial field or commercial-related field both in the border and beyond border, EVFTA is predicted to have a great impact on legal framework and economy of Vietnam in the near future.

Transparency is among institutional issues impressed in the framework of EVFTA. It is institutional issue having direct impact to the quality and effectiveness of legislation implementation in particular, and to the predictability (transparency) of all the legal mechanism in general. Therefore, it is necessary to determine the difference; and consequently, revise and amend Vietnam legal framework to meet EVFTA commitments, and at a same time, use the motivation of EVFTA to improve transparency the mechanism and domestic legislations.

***Review of Vietnam legal frame work against EVFTA commitments on transparency*** is prepared by the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI) to analysis the incompatibility between Vietnam domestic legislations and EVFTA commitments in the aspect of enterprises; and, therefore, propose the implementation method to ensure Vietnam’s compliance for the sake of enterprises in the relationship with relevant competent authority.

This review is one sector of a project on reviewing Vietnam legal framework against EVFTA commitment on five (05) important areas (including customs and trade facilitation, investment, government procurement, intellectual property, and transparency) prepared by the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry in the framework the project: “Vietnamese legal framework ready for EU-Vietnam Free Trade Agreement (EVFTA) implementation” sponsored by the Embassy of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and North Ireland in Vietnam

We hope that this Review would be considered as a useful resource for the Government in reviewing Vietnamese legislations to implement EVFTA, and for reference of the competent authorities of the National Assembly in the process of EVFTA formal approval.

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