

Country: Republic of Vietnam

Years: 1954-1962

Leader: Ngo Dinh Diem

Ideology:

Description: World Statesmen (2020) and Rulers (2020) identify Ngo Dinh Diem instead of Bam Pham Buu Loc as head of government on December 31, 1954, and Duong Van Minh instead of Ngo Dinh Diem on December 31, 1963. HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS and World Statesmen (2020) identify party affiliation as CL and NRM, writing “CL = Can Lao Nhan Vi Cach Mang Dang (Personalist Labor Revolutionary Party, "Can Lao", personalist, anti-communist, 1954-1963) [...] NRM = Phong Trao Cach Mang Quoc (National Revolutionary Movement, pro-Dinh Diem party, 1954-1963).” Lockhart et al. (2006) write, “[Diem] was as opposed to Communism as he was to French colonialism”.

Year: 1963

Leader: Minh (Duong Van Minh)

Ideology:

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS and World Statesmen (2020) identify party affiliation as none.

Year: 1964

Leader: Van Huong

Ideology: right

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS and World Statesmen (2020) identify party affiliation as none. World Statesmen further identifies his later affiliation as National Social Democratic Front (NSDF), and NSDF’s ideology as right: NSDF = National Social Democratic Front (anti-communist, center-right, Nguyen Van Thieu led coalition of 6 parties: Greater Union Force, Social Humanist Party [successor to CL], Revolutionary Dai Viet, the Social Democratic Party, United Vietnam Kuomintang, and People's Alliance for Social Revolution, 1968-1975).”

Years: 1965-1974

Leader: Van Thieu

Ideology: right

Description: HoG does not identify ideology. CHISOLS identifies Van Thieu’s party as none. World Statesmen (2020) clarifies his affiliation as none until 1968 and National Social Democratic Front (NSDF) afterwards, and NSDF’s ideology

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