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| **Leaders of ASEAN member countries *pledge* to work actively toward the *early conclusion* of an effective and substantive Code of Conduct (COC) in the East Vietnam Sea, according to their Vision Statement on Cohesive and Responsive ASEAN.**  It was the first time the annual regional **summit** had been held online in the 53-year history of ASEAN, with leaders **tuning** in from their respective countries in the wake of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic that is hitting the region and the world.  The ASEAN leaders further reaffirmed the importance of maintaining and promoting peace, security, stability, safety and freedom of navigation and overflight in the East Vietnam Sea.  They also emphasized the importance of upholding international law, including the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea in the East Vietnam Sea.  They pledged to work actively towards the full and effective implementation of the 2002 Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the East Vietnam Sea in its entirely and the early conclusion of an effective and substantive Code of Conduct in the East Vietnam Sea, **consistent** with international law, including the 1982 UNCLOS.  The regional leaders further stressed on the importance of non-militarization and self-restraint in the conduct of activities that would complicate or escalate **disputes** and affect peace and stability, and avoid actions that may further complicate the situation.  The leaders underlined the need to pursue peaceful resolution of disputes in accordance with universally recognized principles of international law, including the 1982 UNCLOS, while enhancing mutual trust and confidence, read the Vision Statement.  Regarding economic recovery, they agreed to undertake necessary measures for **gradual revitalization** of ASEAN’s economic activities to implement facilitative measures and to **expedite** recovery of the ASEAN economies.  They **vowed** to address disruptions in trade links, promote and support regional and global supply chain connectivity and ensure **unimpeded** flow of essential goods including medicine, medical supplies chains through increased transparency and **refraining** from imposing unnecessary non-tariff measures during the COVID-19 pandemic. | ***Pledge/****plej****:*** cam kết.  ***early conclusion:*** kết luận sớm.  **summit/**suhm-it: hội nghị cấp cao.  **Tuning/**toon: to adjust.  **Consistent/** kuhn-sis-tuhnt: agreeing or accordant/ theo.  **Disputes/**dis'pju:t: tranh chấp.  **gradual revitalization:** dần phục hồi.  **expedite/** ek-spi-dahyt**:** to speed of the progress/ xúc tiến.  **vowed/**vou: promise.  **Unimpeded/**un- im-peed: không bị cản trở.  **Refraining/**re-freyn-ing: kìm lại, kiềm chế. |