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WORKSHOP PROCEEDINGS

"POSSIBLE IMPACTS OF WTO ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS IN THE NORTH- WEST OF VIET NAM"

Son La town, 12th May 2004

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1. Introduction

On 12th May 2004, the Vietnam Union of Science and Technology Associations (VUSTA) and Vietnam Farmers Union (VNFU) organised a regional workshop on "Possible impacts of WTO on agricultural products in the North –West region of Vietnam" in Son La town of Son La province. It was the second time VUSTA and VNFU worked together to organise a workshop related to Vietnam's accession to WTO. The workshop was technically and financially supported by SNV Vietnam, VECO, and Oxfam GB.

The workshop's programme is in Annex 2. The presentations and the transcription of discussion sessions are also attached.

2. Workshop's summary and conclusions

More than 80 participants representing Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD), VUSTA, VNFU, Provincial People Committees (PPCs), concerned departments and organisations of Son La, Dien Bien, Lao Cai and Lai Chau provinces as well as international organisations such as SNV Viet Nam, VECO, Oxfam GB, Action Aid gathered to discuss possible impacts of WTO and its Agreement on Agriculture on agricultural products in the North-West of Vietnam. The specific objectives of the workshop were:

• To raise awareness of concerned organisations of opportunities and challenges of Vietnam's accession to the WTO, particularly of the possible impacts of WTO on agricultural products in the North- West region through sharing information on international experiences and practices.

• To inform participants of Vietnam's Government's WTO preparation, macro-level policy development related to trade and agriculture.

• To build up measures to minimise negative impacts of WTO on agricultural products in the North West region and its farmers.

The workshop focused on information dissemination to raise participants' awareness and understanding about WTO and related issues. The speakers highlighted important points regarding the objective, organisational structure and decision-making procedures of the WTO and the Agreement on Agriculture. Also, the progress of Vietnam's negotiation to join WTO was discussed. The viewpoints, concerns and recommendations of national policy makers (MARD, MoFA), mass organisations and local non-governmental organisations (VNFU, VUSTA), and provincial stakeholders (Son La PPC) were presented and brought into discussion. Various international speakers (e.g. VECO, Searice) shared their experiences regarding the WTO and its implications on agricultural products and local seed production and supply by presenting optimistic and pessimistic examples (e.g. Philippines). The group and plenary discussion sessions in the afternoon allowed participants to share their opinions and concerns as well as to work together on an action plan to support the local agriculture and farmers to prepare for the WTO accession.

Some of the main issues identified were:

• This workshop is the second activity towards a multilateral coordinated approach to developing plans and activities regarding Vietnam's accession to the WTO. It again affirms the important role of VUSTA, VNFU and provincial stakeholders in assisting this process and the follow-up activities of this workshop.

• The Agreement on Agriculture of WTO is one of the most important agreements because it has direct impacts on food security situation of member countries. It is also the most controversial agreement due to differences in opinion between developed and developing countries regarding market access and protection of the agricultural sector. The failure of the Ministerial Meeting in Cancun Mexico last year is due to the disagreement between developed countries (represented by EU, USA, Japan) and developing countries on export subsidies for agricultural products.

• Vietnam's accession to WTO is important because WTO membership can provide Vietnam with access to advanced technologies to improve productivity of its agricultural sector. Moreover, by joining the WTO, Vietnam can make use of the Dispute Settlement Body to resolve trade conflicts.

However, there are still various issues to be addressed:

• There is a great need for information dissemination and awareness raising amongst the population, especially for people working at the meso and grassroots levels about the WTO and its implications. Financial support and human resources from the Government and international organisations need to be reserved to facilitate the dissemination of information and sharing of experiences on WTO accession.

• The government of Vietnam needs to take appropriate measures to support the preparation for the WTO accession of local governments, especially for the poor and remote regions like the North West. There is also a requirement for government policies that aim at improving the agricultural sector in the region and strengthening the competitiveness of local agricultural products. Government's support could be directed to increasing investment in infrastructure development, improving irrigation network, credit access and seed supply. More attention should be paid to agricultural extension services for farmers, technology transfer and introduction of advanced technologies in production and procession of agricultural products, especially provision of high quality varieties.

• Local governments in the region need to develop and implement plans focusing on development of highly competitive agricultural products such as indigenous varieties of maize and rice, tea, anise, cinnamon and so on. Emphasis should be placed on creating support programs and safety nets for poor farmers upon Vietnam joining WTO, as the poor will be hit the hardest by the negative consequences of WTO accession. Mass organisations and local non-governmental organisations like the VNFU and VUSTA need to be directly involved in the local and national policy-making process.

• There is a need for more research into possible impacts of WTO on key products in various regions to be able to make informed decisions and necessary preparations to reduce negative impacts on food security and the agricultural sector. Therefore, the active involvement of the different stakeholders at all levels is essential.

• The Government's WTO negotiation team need to be well aware of local needs and issues as well as provinces' capacity in order make informed decisions during the negotiation process. The policy dialogue between national policy makers, particularly the negotiation team members, and provincial stakeholders should be facilitated and promoted.

• It is essential to prepare farmers in the North West region before joining the WTO. There are still many problems need to be solved that relate to production planning, processing, marketing and storage and access to land, inputs, capital, and technologies. More attention should be given to agricultural products in the region that have competitive advantages.

• It is important to ensure that trade reforms are linked to support mechanisms for producers in different regions, especially for poor farmers.

• It is recommended to enhance relations with international organisations to exchange information, share experience and work together to improve agricultural policies.

• It is needed to institutionalise and promote the implementation of the Ordinance on Plant Variety to ensure the Vietnam's agro-bio diversity. The Government should support the local seed production and supply in the informal sector. More attention should be given to preserving and developing indigenous rice varieties in the North West region and supporting a competitive local seed sector that allows farmers to access good quality seeds.

The results of this workshop will be presented to the government to take into consideration during the 8th negotiation round of Vietnam. It is hoped that this workshop will contribute to engaging all relevant stakeholders in the discussion and awareness raising about possible impacts of WTO on agricultural products in the North West region in Viet Nam. As there is not much time left until Vietnam joins WTO (15 months), the cooperation between VUSTA and the VNFU will be critical in assisting the government of Vietnam to prepare for WTO accession in 2005.

3. Recommendations on possible follow-up activities

• Establishing of a working group consisting of members of VUSTA and the VNFU with support from (international) organisations such as SNV, VECO and Oxfam GB. The first task of the working group will be developing an action plan for an awareness raising campaign for provincial and grassroots levels on WTO issues.

• Organising similar workshops at the regional level in other regions of Vietnam to inform provincial and grassroots stakeholders about the WTO. The workshops should target specific groups of farmers (e.g. rice, coffee, tea farmers) to discuss in-depth specific problems and recommendations.

• Training of trainers from VUSTA and VNFU in WTO issues so they can carry out similar workshops at provincial and local levels.

• Developing training materials to be used by trainers and participants in the workshops.

• Formulating and carrying out research projects (conducted by VUSTA and VNFU) to be linked with training activities at the national, provincial, and local levels.

• Organising a meeting between the Government's Negotiation Delegation members and participants of this workshop to discuss new developments of Vietnam's WTO accession and local needs.

• Strengthening cooperation between VUSTA, VNFU and other institutions and organisations in Vietnam that could be working on WTO issues such as universities, NGO's, media, etc.

SNV Vietnam, VECO, Oxfam GB could support follow-up activities by:

• Providing the working group with up-to-date information on WTO issues.

• Providing expertise for the development of training programmes and workshops for trainers within VUSTA and VNFU (policy development and advocacy, facilitating the policy dialogue and linkages between the national level and lower levels, etc.).

• Supporting policy development and cooperation at national and international level.

Annex 1

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

I. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS AT THE WORKSHOP

Question 1: People in other countries seem to be excited when their countries join the WTO but Vietnamese people appear indifferent to this. Is 2005 the right time for Vietnam to join the WTO? Why 2005 instead of 2007 or 2010? What is Vietnam' biggest obstacle after we join WTO? Is it certain that other WTO member countries will approve Vietnam's membership in 2005?

<u>Answer:</u> By 2005, it will be 10 years since Vietnam applied for WTO membership in 1995. The fact that Government is determined to join WTO in 2005 is justified by the current complex transformations worldwide. Moreover, during the negotiation process, there are some charters, which force Vietnam to accept in 2005. During this time, there are two things that need considering:

- First, Vietnam economy will be a competitive economy when we join WTO.
- Second, Vietnam's WTO membership has to be approved by 148 other countries. Their approval depends on the tariffs package offered by the Vietnamese Government.

If Vietnam's accession to the WTO is delayed until 2007 or 2010, we will be put at a disadvantage because our neighbouring countries (China - a competitive market economy - and Cambodia - with a much less developed economy compared with Vietnam's) have joined WTO. If we make some concessions in the next rounds of negotiation, it's certain that we'll join WTO in 2005.

The biggest barrier for Vietnam after joining WTO is tariffs. How much can we concede? What tariff level is acceptable for our economy? Our economy will be open and competitive after acceding to WTO. There will be domestic competition between local enterprises and international competition between Vietnam's enterprises and international rivals. Therefore, we'll have to improve our trade and production practices. We have to comply with the Vietnam-USA Bilateral Trade Agreement.

Question 2: Are there more advantages or more disadvantages when we join WTO?

<u>Answer:</u> It is this question that the Government has to take into thorough consideration. Each country's political and economic system can cause more or less advantages/ disadvantages.

<u>Ouestion 3:</u> WTO negotiation with other countries is difficult but it is even more difficult within the country. How can the difficulties be overcome?

<u>Answer:</u> WTO negotiation within the country is much more difficult than negotiation with foreign countries. Every line ministry thinks that it is important and wants to protect their own sector while the benefits are limited. For example, both agricultural and industrial sectors want to be protected whereas industrial products are inputs for agriculture and vice versa. That is why there is a lot of competition. There is a lot of competition even within the agricultural sector.

Question 4: The major products in the North West of Vietnam are short-term food crops such as maize. Sugar, milk and other processed products have to be imported. Poor farmers will be hit the hardest when we join WTO whereas enterprises reap the benefits. Moreover, it is difficult for people in remote areas to access information.

<u>Answer:</u> We will have to cope with fierce competition once the economy is opened. It's clear that poor farmers, who do not have access to information, in difficult and remote areas will be likely to lose in competition. However, the Government has paid great attention to poverty reduction and regional economic development. Hence, after joining WTO, we will have to put more emphasis on regional development and create favorable conditions for the whole local economy, not only for agricultural products.

<u>*Question 5:*</u> What policies has MARD proposed to the Government to prepare for Vietnam's WTO accession?

<u>Answer:</u> In accordance with the Government's commitments, MARD will develop a program aiming at enhancing competitiveness. We have to give this a priority instead of introducing protection policies. We have to improve seed quality rather than protect it – an unsustainable measure. Many proposals have been approved by the Governments: improving the quality of seeds and animals, input subsidies, veterinary medicines, plant protection, increasing productivity, lowering prices, as well as developing rural infrastructures and communication networks. Another policy is to promote agricultural product consumption through Government.

WTO is an institutional framework that only gives us orientation. We will soon have to cope with more competition from regional trade liberalization commitments such as AFTA, ASEAN-CHINA, ASEAN-JAPAN. Major products in the North West are the maize, tea, and milk. The milk production program has to consider its competitiveness. Local dairy products can still generate profits at the moment thanks to low labor costs. But we should not set an ambitious target of providing 100% percent for domestic milk consumption. Our tropical agriculture may not allow us to compete with temperate countries in milk production.

<u>*Question 6:*</u> Can the North West provide enough milk to replace imported milk? Is it better to use imported hybrid seeds or local seeds?

<u>Answer:</u> At the moment, Vietnam's milk products meet only 15% of the domestic demand. 85% of milk consumed domestically is imported. We will try to meet 40% of the domestic demand by 2010. We cannot say for sure right now if locally produced milk will be able to replace imported milk.

We cannot completely replace local agricultural varieties with imported hybrid varieties because of the unique geographical and climatic conditions in the North West. Different ethnic minorities groups living in the regions also have different production practices. Hence, we can import only the high-yield varieties that can adapt to local natural conditions. We can also improve the productivity of local varieties.

<u>Question 7:</u> How many percent of the Philippines' population are farmers now? What measures is the Philippines Government taking to relieve farmers' difficulties after joining WTO? Have farmers' difficulties led to any political unrest?

<u>Answer:</u> 38% of the Philippines' population is currently employed in the agricultural sector. It was about 60-70 % in the 1970s. The overall agricultural production has been reduced due to the Government's policies to shift from agricultural economy to industrial economy.

There has been a research on the possible linkages between WTO impacts and farmers' uprising. Since the 1990s and after the country acceded to the WTO, there have been more uprisings as farmers' land is now used to grow industrial trees, resulting in unemployment. There was a large exodus of migrants from rural areas, squatting in big cities. But the migrants often cannot find stable jobs in cities and have to live in very bad conditions. Poor living conditions and unemployment have made the country top the criminal rate in South East Asia. In my opinion, this is a chain consequence rather than the direct impact of the country's WTO membership.

<u>Question 8:</u> How has the Philippines Government coped with the impacts of its WTO accession on the agricultural sector after 9 year?

<u>Answer:</u> The major problem of the agricultural sector is that local producers cannot compete with imported products. The Government has advised domestic producers not to produce such products as maize, rice that cannot compete with foreign products. The land used for growing these products before is now used to grow industrial plants such as palm trees and pineapple. This tendency has been very common in the Central and Southern Philippines. This is the idea of not only the Government but also many economic advisors.

II. GROUP DISCUSSIONS

Workshop's participants were divided into three groups. Members of each group were randomly selected and, therefore, included representatives of different institutions, organisations and businesses. Each group discussed one of the questions below:

- 1. Discussion on the policy issues. What do the provinces need to do to facilitate the WTO process and to secure food security in NW VN?
- 2. Farmer needs with regard to agricultural production and surviving in a competitive market. How to shape the four party model?
- 3. The role of local actors in the strategic preparation for the WTO entry producers, businesses, LNGO's etc.

1. Group 1.

Discussion q*uestion*: Discussion on the policy issues. What do the provinces need to do to facilitate the WTO process and to secure food security in NW VN?

Discussion summary:

- Macro policy: the Government should introduce sound and suitable agricultural development policy for the North West region, including price subsidy for good seeds.
- A strategic plan of action on regional socio-economic development should be developed and implemented.
- Following measures need to be taken to support the strategic action plan:
- + Information dissemination and awareness raising for farmers
- + Capacity building for local governments, line departments and farmers

+ Incentives to attract high calibre people to work in difficult areas should be introduced

+ Capitalizing on regional advantages to increase income of farmers

+ Developing and preserving good traditional cultivation practices, more attention given to local good seeds

- Regarding food security: it is necessary to guarantee three factors: land, seed and technology
- It is necessary to localize the competitive good seeds and to build up local trademarks for these products.

2. Group 2

Discussion question: Farmer needs with regard to agricultural production and surviving in a competitive market? How to shape the four party models?

Discussion summary:

Farmers' needs:

- Providing information on WTO to various target groups by various approaches
- Providing support to farmers in:
 - + Infrastructure development (road, public facilities, machines

and equipments)

- + Access to credit and seeds
- + Mechanisation, favourable land policy, price subsidy, transport subsidy
- + Delivery and distribution of commodities
- + Technological transfer and R&D

+ Food processing (including post-harvest storage)

- Capacity building and training for farmers
- Marketing for products, both supply and demand sides

The four- party model:

- The State plays a central role in monitoring and coordinating the cooperation of 4 parties. The State should have clear mechanisms to connect research with development, provide financial support and necessary information.
- Businesses: making order for farmers and scientists and do marketing for products of farmers.
- Scientists: developing and applying technologies upon requests from the government and businesses; farmers' demands and needs should be taken into account in research; providing technical instructions for farmers.
- Farmers: Implementing the contracts ordered by businesses under the technical instruction of scientists

3. Group 3

Discussion question: The role of local actors in the strategic preparation for the WTO entry – producers, businesses, LNGO's etc.

Discussion summary:

- Local governments at all levels need to disseminate information about WTO and to update information on WTO entry (estimating the progress and impacts)
- Strengthening local competitiveness, harmonizing local conditions into the new context of competitive production and trade after WTO accession.
- Setting up a local steering committee on WTO accession to do preparatory work
- Developing a strategy or plan to support poor farmers to ensure food security and develop their production upon Vietnam's joining WTO (the role of local government, mass organizations, producers are important)

- Clarifying the responsibility of each agency on the basis of local plan of action on WTO accession.

Annex 2

Date/time	Contents	Presenter/Facilitator	Notes
7.30- 8.00	Registration	Organizing Committee	
8.00- 8.15	-Introduction of participants, Chairpersons (VNFU, VUSTA, SNV) and Secretariat	Mr.Tran Phu Mac Director of International Dept. VNFU	
8.15- 8.45	 Opening speech by VUSTA Welcome speech by SNV Welcome speech by Son La PPC 	 Ass. Prof. Dr. Ho Uy Liem Vice-President, VUSTA Mr. Harm Duiker NRM Programme Coordinator SNV Vietnam Leader of Son La People's Committee 	
8.45- 9.15	New developments of Government's WTO negotiation, Adaptation of Vietnam's agricultural and trade policies	Ms. Nguyen Hong Bac Chief WTO Bureau Ministry Of Foreign Affairs	Q&A
9.15-9.45	AoA, WTO challenges for agriculture, and the adjustment of Vietnam's agricultural policies in conformity with WTO requirements	Ms. Pham Thi Tuoc Vice Director Department of Planning and Projection, MARD Member of the Government Negotiation Delegation on WTO	Q&A
9.45 — 10.00	Tea break		
10.00- 10.40 Experience of the Philippines: impacts of WTO entry on the domestic agriculture and agro-products		Dr. Neth Dano, SEARICE, Philippines	Q&A
10.40-11.10	Four party model to assist farmers in market demand production	Ms. Hoang Dieu Tuyet Standing Vice-Chairwoman VNFU	Q&A
11.10 — 11.30	Local seed production in Vietnam upon joining WTO	Dr. Nguyen Manh Don-VUSTA Ms. Elise Pinners - VECO	
11.30 — 12.00	Discussion	VUSTA/VNFU	Q&A
12.00-13.30	Lunch		

Workshop Program

13.30 - 14.00	Agricultural production in the North-West: potentials and challenges	Dr. Cam Van Doan Vice- Chairman Son La People's Committee	Q&A
14.00-15.00	Group discussion	VUSTA/VNFU (3 facilitators for 3 groups)	
15.00-15.15	Tea break		
15.15-16.30	Group discussions' summary and plenary discussion	VUSTA/VNFU	
16.30	Closing	Prof.Dr. Ho Uy Liem Vice-chairman VUSTA	
18.00	Dinner		

Annex 3

WORKSHOP IMPACTS OF WTO ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS IN NORTH WEST REGION OF VIETNAM Sonla Town 12/5/2004

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