CALL FOR BOOK DONATIONS – <u>CAMPAIGN 2009</u>

Dear Friends,

We are sending you this message to call for your help in collecting and donating books for college students in Vietnam, on behalf of the Vietnam Book Drive Project Team.

The Vietnam Book Drive Project is organized by Vietnam Education Foundation Fellows Association (VEFFA), a non-profit association of Vietnamese students in the US. The goal of our nation-wide project is to help increase access to textbooks and research materials for students and researchers in Vietnam through collecting new and used books from universities in the US and sending them to Vietnam

Since Fall 2007, the campaign has been receiving great supports from many US universities, organizations and individuals. More than 4500 books shipped to Vietnam were made possible with efforts and book donations from professors and students from more than 30 campuses in the US, as well as with monetary donations from Vietnam Education Foundation (VEF), the Vietnamese Embassy in the US, and other organizations and individuals. In 2008, two joint libraries between VEFFA and Hanoi University of Technology (HUT), and Vinh University (VU) was opened to public with books collected from the campaign. In December 2008, the Vietnam Book Drive bus tour, which aimed at picking up donated books from 10 campuses and raising awareness of the project to potential supporters, was organized successfully. To continue building up resources for the HUT-VEFFA library, VU-VEFFA library and to open a new library in Hochiminh City in 2009, we are announcing the launch of the 2009 Vietnam Book Drive Campaign.

The 2009 campaign will run through out the whole year with the goals to collect more than 5000 high-quality books before the annual VEF conference held in January 2010 and to send these books to the three mentioned libraries in Vietnam.

Your strong supports would go a long way to make our campaign successful. We would greatly appreciate your efforts and your donations to help us accomplish the goal. Please visit the project website at http://www.veffa.org/vnbookdrive for further information on the project.

How you can help

<u>Donate your books.</u> You can drop your books at our local campaign offices on your campus, send us an email or give us a call to arrange pick-ups. Please see Contacts for details. Although our primary interests for the campaign are science and engineering and health science **textbooks**, donations of all kinds of good books are welcome.

<u>Donate money.</u> Please contact <u>vnbookdrive@veffa.org</u> to arrange a monetary donation.

<u>Help spread out the information</u> by forwarding this message to anyone that you think might be interested in helping.

Contacts

Please contact the Vietnam Book Drive Project at the following details to find a <u>local project</u> representative at your school:

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Regards,

Vietnam Book Drive Project Team

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