REPORT ON

OVERVIEW OF CURRENT IMPLEMENTATION OF DECISION NO. 09/CP OF THE GOVERNMENT ON CRIME PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION WITHIN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL TARGET PROGRAM ON CRIME PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION FOR THE PERIOD OF 2012-2015

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I. Background and major ideology of Decision No. 09/CP and the National program on crime prevention and suppression
In the early of the 90s, significant socio-economic achievements were attained as a result of a comprehensive reform.

The transferring from a collectivist economy to a market economy under the direction of socialist republic, higher annual GDP growth rate in comparison with other countries in the region and in the world, improving material and mental life of the citizen, opening foreign relations, maintaining national defense and security, etc.

Have laid a strong foundation for the country to enter the era of modernization and industrialization
Besides the positive sides of the market economy, there are still weaknesses of social, economic and human resource management which have influenced the security – order in general and crime in particular.

Rob, robbery assets are concentrated in place the cities, activity joint routing, inter-provincial

The number of criminal cases
In order to put in order the social discipline improving the spirit of preventing and suppressing crime of the mass, in contribution to the reform of the country…

The Ministry of Public Security have been starting the survey and study as well as evaluating the current crime situation social evil to identify the scientific discipline for reconstructing the social policy in order to secure social security and prevent other social evils (research NoKX04.14)
The ideology of Resolution 09/CP and the National Program on crime prevention was recognized as:

Strengthening the leadership of the Party at all levels, heightening the management effectiveness of the People’s Committees from the central to local level, the key role instruction of the public security force and the participation of different branches, social organizations and people, creating a mechanism in mobilizing the comprehensive strength of the whole political system, implementing strategies, enhancing the social participation in crime prevention and suppression of which prevention is the basis, especially social prevention and active suppression.
The main content of Resolution No. 09/CP and the National Program on Crime prevention and suppression including 4 proposals:

**Proposal I:** “Mobilizing people to prevent, identify and report criminal cases; educating and rehabilitating offenders within their families and residential communities” (chaired by the Central committee of Viet Nam Fatherland Front).

**Proposal II:** “Developing and finalizing law on crime prevention and suppression; enhancing educational activities about law and citizens’ duties on protecting security and order” (chaired by the Ministry of Justice).
 Proposal III: “Fighting against organized crimes, dangerous criminal criminals and international related crimes” (chaired by the Ministry of Public Security).

 Proposal IV: “Fighting against child abusing perpetrators, juvenile offenders” (chaired by the Ministry of Public Security).
After 5 year implementation, the Government organized the Review meeting of Resolution 09/CP, National program on Crime prevention and suppression. At the meeting, Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung (who was the Standing Deputy Prime Minister of the Government, Director of the Steering Board 138/CP) concluded and affirmed the necessity of a continuous guidance for an effective implementation of Resolution 09/CP, National Program on Crime prevention and suppression and Decision No.138/TTg contributing to maintain the security and order, political stability to promote socio-economic development of the country.
On 8 November 2004, Prime Minister Phan Van Khai signed and enforced Instruction No. 37/2004/CT-TTg on continuing the implementation of Resolution 09/CP, National Program on crime prevention and suppression until year 2010, supplementing 4 new proposals, including:
- Proposal “Prevention and suppression of high technology crimes”;
- Proposal “Developing Criminal Intelligence Center”;
- Proposal “Strengthening the capacity of investigation agencies at all levels in identifying and investigating economic and social order related crimes”;
- Proposal “Enhancing capacity in providing education and training for prisoners in prison settings.”
On 30 September 2010, the Government held a comprehensive review meeting on the implementation of Resolution No.09/CP and National Program on Crime prevention and suppression for the period of 1998-2010. The 12 year review showed outstanding and significant outcomes:

First, raising the important awareness of various departments, different levels and the whole society regarding the responsibility in fighting against crime; establishing a mechanism to make best use of the comprehensive strength of the political system, promoting the leading role, the creativity and activeness of the population...
Second, resulting in a positive transform of social safety and order, minimizing the increase of criminals and crimes nationwide and at local level and the number of criminals and crimes decreasing year-by-year; securing social safety and order in contribution to maintain political stability, creating a transparent environment for economic, cultural and social the development of the country.
Crime situation, in general, has been controlled and reduced.

The number of criminal cases reduced by 20.19% and decreased year-by-year. Several types of serious crimes have been reduced, with a decrease of 25% among wanted criminals;

The number of drug related criminals being handled has increased 3 times

Thousands of various criminal groups has been eliminated; many dangerous criminal organizations and rings have been identified.

The number of criminal in several localities has been dropped drastically such as Ho Chi Minh city, Lang Son, Ninh Binh, Nam Dinh, Ben Tre, etc.
Third, showing a strong determination in fighting against crime, obeying the law, increasing criminal detection and investigation rate; in political capacity and willingness of the front line officers to sacrifice for social safety and people’s happiness.

The cooperation among judicial agencies in investigation, prosecution and strict judgment against criminals gained the confidence of the people in order to promote their active movements against crime.
Fourth, having strengthened the development and improvement of the legal system on crime prevention and suppression to ensure social safety and order.

Various mass organizations and models engaging in crime prevention and suppression have been developed at grass-root level to facilitate the population in the awareness raising and law obedience as well as direct involvement in crime preventive and suppressive activities.
Fifth, international cooperation in crime prevention and suppression has been increasingly expanded to prevent crime and fight against transnational crimes and foreign related crimes.
The above achievements have affirmed that Resolution No. 09/CP and the National Program on Crime prevention and suppression is an absolute appropriate policy which is a strategy gaining the strong support and active participation of the population.

It is necessary to continue the implementation of Resolution 09/CP and the National Program on Crime prevention and suppression. On 22 October 2010, the Ministry of Politics (session X) promulgated Instruction No. 48-CT/TW on promoting the leadership of the Party on crime prevention and suppression in the new situation.
Under the guidance of the Ministry of Politics, on 24 February 2011, the Prime Minister issued Decision No. 282/QD-TTg to implement Instruction No. 48-CT/TW of the Ministry of Politics. The Ministry of Public Security in co-ordination with various relevant Ministries, departments to develop, propose and get the approval of the Parliament, Government to implement the National Target Program on Crime prevention and suppression for the period of 2012 – 2015.
II. The main content of National Target Program on Crime prevention and suppression
1. The objective of the Program

- Strengthening the leadership of the Party, management of the State on crime prevention and suppression; Raising the awareness and law obedience of various levels, departments and in residential communities, within agencies, entrepreneurs, schools, families and the whole society in maintaining social order and safety.

- Active prevention, suppression against different types of crime, with a focus on important and complicated areas, fields.

- Controlling and reducing types of crime, especially serious and extremely serious offenders in order to ensure national security, social order and safety, to create a transparent environment to effectively support the economic, cultural, social development.
2. The focused responsibilities and groups of solution:

- Strengthening the leadership of the Party on crime prevention and suppression.
- Promoting the role and effective state management on social safety and order.
- Mobilizing people to detect and fight against criminals.
- Developing and finalizing legal system on crime prevention.
- Strengthening effectiveness of counter-criminal works of functional forces of Police, Army, Customs and Forestry.
- Solution on budget.
- Solution on resources to implement the Programme.
- Strengthening international cooperation on crime prevention under framework of international bilateral and multilateral agreements which Viet Nam is a member, especially bilateral cooperation with neighboring countries, regional and multilateral cooperation under ASEM, APEC; proactively participate in other bilateral, multilateral forums on crime prevention.
- Continuously providing consultation to the Government to organize regional meetings on crime prevention; collaborating with regional countries to conduct special campaigns against criminals.
- Reviewing inter-agency decree with other ministries, authorities on crime prevention; developing and signing plans, decrees, cooperative action plan with other ministries and authorities in terms of crime prevention.
3. Projects under the Programme

Project 1: Investing in the provision of means, weapons, support tools and professional equipment for task performance and combat activities of the investigation police at various levels.

The contents of the project indicate the equipping for police-investigators of criminal cases in social order; which ensure the provision of weapons, supporting tools, professional and technical facilities, communication facilities, cryptographic devices, office computers, means of transports, and facilities for common use by investigation agencies at all levels.
Project 2: Strengthening the capacity in preventing and combating environment-related crimes – executed by the Ministry of Public Security.

- To build a comprehensive organizational structure with sufficient officers and staff for environment police in all localities.

- To develop a training strategy, which provides training in professional areas of environmental interest for the environment police officers and staff.

- To continue to invest in, upgrade and modernize specific professional equipment and facilities, weapons and supporting tools in conformity with the working characters and working regime of the environment police force.

- To make investment in upgrading the Environment Control Centre that belongs to the Police Department for Environment Control (in the North); to establish a sister centre in the South and one in the Central Region.

To create a basic change in the legal perception of the fight against the criminal use of high technology, which would contribute to the keeping of social order and security; To provide modern and specific equipment and facilities in order to meet the requirement in preventing and combating the criminal use of high technology.
Project 4: To establish the National Criminal Information Centre – executed by the Ministry of Public Security.

To complete the establishment of the National Criminal Information Centre for the Ministry of Public Security and other criminal information centers for the police force in the provinces and in the cities under the central administration, and the Criminal Information Centre for the Ministry of National Defense;

To network information among all law protection agencies so as to have all and sufficient information about and documents of all criminal cases that have been handled
**Project 5: Strengthening the vocational training capacity in detention camps – executed by the Ministry of Public Security**

To expand and improve the quality in vocational training for inmates in detention camps in order to make positive changes and improve the quality of rehabilitation, contributing to the good performance of the tasks in the detention camps and to the prevention of repetition of crimes.

To upgrade the material infrastructure capacity, the main educational facilities and the quality of vocational trainers for those categories of jobs to be trained in the detention camps as prescribed in the current regulations, which are in demand in the society, thus ensuring the training quality with qualified skills imparted to the inmates and the award of certificates to them so that they can have better job opportunity after completing the detention term with stable income that helps them stay away from re-committing the crime.

To make the effective use of the inmates’ labour work and improve the quality of detention.
Project 6: Strengthening the education, communication and the monitoring and evaluation of the Programmed – executed by the Central Committee of the Vietnam Fatherland Front.

To promote the communication and information dissemination in order to raise the people’s legal understanding and sense of abiding by the law through mass media and through direct encouragement by the Fatherland Front and by other mass organizations in the community.

To encourage the people to actively detect and denounce criminal acts and social evils. To coordinate in effectively educating and assisting the former criminals to reintegrate themselves socially.

To raise the working capacity and provide financial assistance to those core officers working in preventing and combating the crimes in the localities.

To raise the capacity of the programme managing bodies at all levels in advising, directing, evaluating and monitoring the implementation of the programme.
III. Recommendations and Proposals

The work of preventing and combating against crimes has enjoyed important supports from the UNODC and other international organizations in implementing the projects relating to the National Anti-Crime Programme since 1998 to the present day, as well as supports given to the Workshop on Building the National Anti-Crime Target Programme for the 2012-2015 period.

In the coming period, the Project Management body wishes to receive more technical supports and resources from the United Nations and other international organizations for:

1. The implementation of the National Anti-Crime Target Programme for the 2012-2015 period.
2. Developing the strategy for preventing and combating crimes till the year 2020 and orientation till the year 2030 in order to meet the requirement for preventing and combating crimes in a new situation.
3. Attending international and regional conferences and meeting on preventing and combating different types of crimes, especially the transnational crimes and on cooperation activities in preventing and combating crimes.
Thank you very much!