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Message from our CEO

2010 marked our company's 160th Anniversary. It was also a year of continued Budd Group consolidation and expansion.

Where our Ho Chi Minh office is concerned, this means full Vietnamese-registered company status and the arrival of a new manager to reinforce our team of highly competent claims handling and surveying staff.

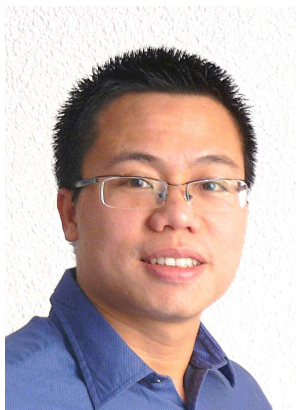
Budd Vietnam provides comprehensive assistance in all cases of alleged cargo damage and/or losses, personal injury, stowaways, pollution, arrest or detention of vessels, collisions with fixed or floating objects and the provision of securities.

In addition to Ho Chi Minh City, Budd Vietnam's zone of intervention extends throughout the country and includes Hai Phong. Based in a major exporting country, we believe our Vietnam office has a key role to play with its fellow French, African and Chinese offices in the [Budd Network](#).

The Budd Group will continue to build on its strengths in 2011 in order to provide optimal quality of service to its clients and serve the shipping community to the best of its ability.

James Budd

About our team



Mr. Van Hong Dang, Manager of BUDD Vietnam, worked as a claims handler and lawyer for a different French P&I Correspondent for nearly five years before joining us. He studied in France to obtain Masters Degrees in Management and Maritime Law and Transport. His professional experience, qualifications and language skills (fluent English, French and Vietnamese) enable him to provide the full range of Marine Insurance Correspondent services.



Capt. Viet has 10 years' experience of sailing on general cargo vessels, log bulk carriers and bulk cargo carriers. He served as a claims handler in the Hull and P&I department for the worldwide fleet of Bao Viet Insurance. His qualifications and his ocean-going experience serve him well in cargo damage surveys, rice and other commodity loading surveys, draught surveys, etc.



Ms. Thu has been working in the Vietnamese insurance business for over 30 years and is a respected figure with local authorities and insurance companies. Having previously worked as an underwriter, claims handler and surveyor in the Hull and P&I department of Bao Viet Insurance, she has considerable experience in cargo damage assessment, casualty investigation and loss prevention.

Ports of Vietnam

Along its 3,200 km long coastline, Vietnam has a total of 114 seaports. The 14 largest ports are key players in the country's economic development. They include Ho Chi Minh (Saigon) in the South, Hai Phong in the North, and Da Nang in the Centre.

Saigon Port is more than 130 years old and has traditionally benefited from the highest throughput and productivity in the country. Its situation in the middle of the busiest city in Vietnam means that ground transportation to and from the port is as congested as in many other big Asian cities. The port continues to expand to meet its high throughput. Saigon port is the principal port for cargoes and containers from all the industrial parks in the southern region.

Vietnam's impressive and consistent growth in recent years (in Asia, second only to China) has made Vietnam more and more visible on the global economic map, especially for those multinational corporations seeking to outsource or relocate.



Saigon Port
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Rice bags to be loaded onto ship
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Loading rice for export at Saigon Port
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