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Message by Ambassador Franz Jessen, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to Vietnam on the conviction of Mr Truong Duy Nhat

The Head of the Delegation of the European Union to Vietnam, Ambassador Franz Jessen, expressed his concerns over yesterday's sentencing of blogger and journalist Truong Duy Nhat to two years in prison. Ambassador Jessen recalled the fundamental right for all persons to hold and freely express their opinions in a peaceful manner.

The European Union will continue to work in partnership with Vietnam, currently a member of the UN Human Rights Council, towards the improvement of the human rights situation in the country.