



Speech at director dr. Huynh Van Thiên reception 31/5

I represent an organization from Denmark called “Hospital equipment for Vietnam”, founded I 1978.

We used to send equipment to Children’s Hospital No. 1 in HCMC, but in 2008 they had too many other donors and HCMC were getting too rich for our aid.

So, we asked retired director dr. Tran Tam Tram: “who can we donate equipment to?” Dr. Tram proposed the hospital in Bao Loc, where the director where an honest man and spoke English. So, in 2008 dr. Jorgen Prag travelled up to Bao Loc and met director Thien. In 2009 we made an agreement with Bao Loc hospital, that we would donate equipment and send money, so Bao Loc hospital could buy the equipment in Vietnam.

Since then we donated 4 C-PAP (which saved the life of early born CoHo baby), washing machines, Audio Meter and other equipment. And Welding Machine and other equipment for maintaining all equipment. In 2012 a big legacy meant that we could buy a whole operating room with all new machines. In 2014 we donated Central plants for compressed air and vacuum.

When dr. Prag first visited the hospital in 2008. dr. Thien were the only English speaking doctor. So, we found Annette Winther, a volunteer English teacher, and send her 3 month for 7 years to Bao Loc hospital. So, we helped upgrade doctors and nurses in their skill in English, who can now read medical books in English and research on Internet.

We also send engineer Preben Byberg to help department for maintenance, so as much as possible equipment could be repaired locally.

So, we send dr. Thien warm greetings in retirement from all members of Denmark Vietnam Friendship organization, and especially from Committee for Hospital Equipment for Vietnam.

Welcome as another pensioner, dr. Thien!