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## Guide to the Project Ngoc Records

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Project Ngoc records,

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**Collection number:** MS-SEA016

**Creator:** Project Ngoc

**Extent:** 7.6 linear feet 8 boxes and 9 oversize folders 148 digitized images

**Repository:** University of California, Irvine. Library. Special Collections and Archives.

Irvine, California 92623-9557

**Abstract:** This collection contains materials relating to the activities of Project Ngoc (1987-1997), a non-profit humanitarian group consisting mainly of college students. Materials from Project Ngoc include correspondence, records of meetings and activities, and photographs and slides documenting travel to refugee camps and statewide activities. Materials from various organizations involved with refugee issues include correspondence, bills, and other printed ephemera. The collection also contains artwork done by refugee artists in the Hong Kong camps.

**Physical location:** University of California, Irvine. Library. Southeast Asian Archive. Irvine, California 92623-9557.

**Language:** English

Selected digitized images from this collection.

### Access

Collection open for research. Access to petitions for alien relatives and affidavits of relationship is restricted for 50 years from the latest date of the materials in the file. Restrictions are noted at the file level.

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### Acquisition Information

Gift of Project Ngoc, 1995-2002.

### Processing Information

### Organizational History

Project Ngoc (PN), a non-profit humanitarian organization comprised mainly of college students, strove to publicize and gather support for Southeast Asian refugees. Originally initiated as a class at UCI by graduate student Tom Wilson, PN was an attempt to increase the awareness of the students concerning the Vietnamese refugee crisis. Students in the class then decided to help alleviate the tragedies of the refugees by taking the Project beyond the limitations of the classroom and forming an organization in the hopes of realizing more concrete projects to assist the refugees.

As a means of raising awareness of the struggles of the Vietnamese refugees in the camps of Southeast Asia, the organization adopted three main goals through its evolution. They include: raising awareness on campus and within the community, advocating for humanitarian rights, and sending funds to camps for the development of educational programs. During its ten years of activity from 1987-1997, PN achieved these goals by providing direct relief through fundraising and sending volunteers to refugee camps in Hong Kong.

The first major accomplishment of the organization was a 1987 Christmas visit to the refugee camps in Hong Kong. The four volunteers who went took Christmas gifts and financial donations to the people in camp, which provided an opportunity to show their concern for the refugees. The problems that the volunteers witnessed enhanced their commitment to increasing public awareness of the refugees' desperate conditions. Following the trip, PN published a report focusing on camp conditions and refugee policies. The report was sent to every member of the U.S. Congress and to selected members of the press to induce more support for the refugees. The group also actively organized photo exhibitions, press conferences, speaking engagements, and fund raising events. Volunteers were also sent to closed camps in Hong Kong, where they spent the summer of 1988 helping to equip refugees with the knowledge and skills necessary for successful future resettlement.

With the decision of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to close the camps and repatriate the refugees to their homeland, the organization's cabinet for 1996-1997 decided to concentrate PN's effort on raising awareness. The main goal was to raise money through personal contributions and various fundraising events. The funds were then contributed toward the development of an educational program for the refugee children.

Project Ngoc disbanded at the end of the 1996-1997 academic year as a result of the resettlement or repatriation of most Vietnamese refugees. "A Decade of Dedications" was the theme for Project Ngoc's gala farewell event, which took place April 13, 1997. Past officers and members of PN were present, including founder Tom Wilson, as well as many people from the Vietnamese community. All proceeds from the evening went to help the remaining refugees in Hong Kong.

1987	Project Ngoc established at UC Irvine.
1987	Sent a delegation of four members to investigate conditions in refugee camps in Southeast Asia. Copies of the resulting report were sent to each member of Congress.
1988	Sent a member to Thailand to teach English and mathematics at Banthad and Site II refugee camps.
1988	Hosted a concert for refugees. Participants included state senators, assemblymen, and major leaders in the American and Vietnamese communities.
1988	Sent a delegation of four volunteers to work as teachers and translators in Hong Kong refugee camps and detention centers. They created libraries and educational curricula, and organized recreational activities and festival celebrations.
1989	Sent one member to Canada to work with the Canadian Vietnamese community to gain support for a private initiative sponsorship program. Those who entered Canada under this program were not counted under the immigration quota.
1989	Hosted an Indochinese conference with the Council for Refugee Rights in Westminster, CA, in response to the drafting of the Comprehensive Plan of Action (CPA) in Malaysia. The conference resulted in the printing of several refugee-related brochures, copies of which were distributed to participants at an international conference in Geneva, Switzerland, in June.

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1989	Sent a delegation to the International Conference on Indochinese Refugees in Geneva. Three members fasted for three days with the European Vietnamese community in front of the United Nations building while three other members attended the conference and lobbied for refugee rights.
1989	Organized a candlelight vigil in Westminster, CA, during the Geneva conference to protest against forced repatriation.
1989	Sent a second team of volunteers to Argyle, Whitehead, and Hei Ling Chau Detention Centers in Hong Kong to work as teachers, counselors, educational coordinators, and recreational leaders.
1989	Sent one member to work with Refugee International and the Vietnamese community in the Washington D.C. metropolitan area to lobby for refugee rights.
1989	Sent four members to Washington D.C. to lobby against forced repatriation and to participate in the Sixth Annual Asian-American Leadership Conference.
1989	Sent one member on a trip to Hong Kong, Malaysia, and Thailand to investigate the push back policy of first asylum countries. The Malaysian government admitted to denying first asylum Vietnamese boat people by redirecting boats to Australia.
1990	Hosted a fundraising dinner to set up a school in camp Palawan, Philippines.
1990	Sent two volunteers to Hong Kong to work with ISS and Save the Children Organization and one volunteer to the Philippines to work in detention centers as a teacher, counselor, and translator. Three members were sent to Washington D.C. to intern with IRAC, Refugee International, and U.S. Commission on Refugees.
1990	Hosted a banquet and raised \$9,000 for the unaccompanied minors and the children in the detention centers throughout Southeast Asia during the Mid Autumn festival.
1991	Exhibited "The Boat People: A Cry for Freedom" art exhibition in the UCI Student Center. Raised \$500 in donations and postcard sales for Project Ngoc's Summer Program.
1991	Received the 1991 Saturn Award and \$1,000 for organizing "The Boat People: A Cry for Freedom" art exhibition at UCI.
1991	Sent two volunteers to work with ISS in Hong Kong and an intern to Washington D.C. to work with Boat People S.O.S. and Refugee International.
1991	Organized an art exhibition of refugees' artworks at Century art gallery in Westminster to echo the plight of the asylum seekers.
1991	Exhibited refugees' artworks from "The Boat People: A Cry for Freedom" collection at UCI.
1991	Sponsored a 10k Walk-a-Thon for Boat People's Rights in Fountain Valley that generated \$22,000, which was donated to the LAVAS group currently in the Philippines..
1992	Received the 1992 Saturn Award for organizing the 10k Walk-a-Thon for Boat People's Rights.
1992	Coordinated "The Boat People: A Cry for Freedom" Symposium held in the UCI Student Center.
1994	Organized Van Nghe Thuyen Nhan.
1994	Sent volunteers to camps in Hong Kong.
1994	Helped LAVAS to organize the 10k Walk-a-Thon.
1994	Organized a fundraising dance.
1995	Organized Van Nghe Thuyen Nhan 95.
1996	Helped LAVAS organize the 10k Walk-a-Thon.
1996	Distributed petition letters to Congress and President Clinton.

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1996  
1997

Organized "Refugee Awareness Month" on UCI campus.  
Project Ngoc disbands.

### **Scope and Content of Collection**

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### **Arrangement**

This collection is arranged in five series.

- Series 1. Subject files concerning refugee issues, 1978-1997. 2.4 linear ft.
- Series 2. Project Ngoc organizational files, 1987-1997. .4 linear ft.
- Series 3. Visual and audiovisual materials, 1985-1997. 1.4 linear ft.
- Series 4. Artwork, 1987-1997. 2.4 linear ft.
- Series 5. Newspaper clippings, 1980-1998. 1 linear ft.

### **Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

### **Subjects**

Project Ngoc--Archives.

Refugees--Asia, Southeastern--Archives.

Refugees--Vietnam--Archives.

Refugee camps--Asia, Southeastern--Archives.

Refugee camps--Hong Kong--Archives.

### **Genres and Forms of Material**

Interviews--20th century.

Video recordings--20th century.

Sound recordings--20th century.

Works of art--20th century.

Clippings--20th century.

Photographic prints--20th century.

Slides--20th century.

Letters--20th century.

### **Index Terms Related to this Collection**

Project Ngoc.

Online Archive of California.

*Southeast Asian Archive.*

### **Related Material**

The following collections in the Southeast Asian Archive contain related materials:

Gayle Morrison Files on Southeast Asian Refugees. MS-SEA014. Special Collections and Archives. Thomas Joel Wilson Papers.

MS-SEA023. Special Collections and Archives. Paul Tran Files on Southeast Asian Refugees. Special Collections and Archives. SEA Archive's newspaper clippings file.

Series 1. **Subject files concerning refugee issues,1978-1997**

**Physical Description:** 2.4 linear ft.

**Series Scope and Content Summary**

This series comprises materials produced by organizations at the local, state and federal level involved in refugee issues. The materials include correspondence, government documents, organizational papers, periodicals and other printed publications. These organizations were involved in a variety of refugee issues, including detention centers, repatriation, and the challenges faced by refugees living in the Southeast Asian camps.

**Arrangement**

The series is arranged alphabetically by topic and chronologically within each file.

**Access**

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- Box 1 : 1            **Aid to Refugee Children Without Parents, correspondence and program materials,1990-1993**
- Box 1 : 2            **Amnesty International, reports,1990**
- Box 1 : 3            **Artwork, 1989.**

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains various color copies of artwork and descriptions done by various artists.

- Box 1 : 4            ***Asian Studies Backgrounder*, newsletter produced by the Heritage Foundation, 1990**
- Box 1 : 5            ***Asian Update*, symposium booklet, 1989**
- Box 1 : 6            **Aspen Institute, reports, 1988-1989**
- Box 1 : 7            ***Asylum*, newsletter produced by Refugee Concern Hong Kong, 1990-1991**
- Box 1 : 8            **Ballot, Orange County general election, 1992**
- Box 1 : 9            ***Ban Tin*, newsletter produced by the Vietnamese American Arts and Letters Association,1996**

**Scope and Content Note**

In Vietnamese.

- Box 1 : 10           ***Ban Tin Ty Nan*, newsletter, 1992**

**Scope and Content Note**

In Vietnamese.

- Box 1 : 11-12       **Boat People S.O.S.**
- Box 1 : 11           **Group papers, 1991-1994**
- Box 1 : 12           **News bulletin, 1990-1993**
- Box 1 : 13           ***California Resource Directory for International Trade* , 1989**
- Box 1 : 14           **Case summaries of refugees, circa 1990**
- Box 1 : 15           **Catholic Office for Emergency Relief and Refugees, report, 1989**
- Box 1 : 16           **Center for Strategic and International Studies, program materials, 1990**
- Box 1 : 17           ***Clubs and Organizations Quarterly Newsletter*, produced by the Office of the Dean of Students at UCI, 1997**
- Box 1 : 18           **Committee for Coordination of Services to Displaced Persons in Thailand (CCSDPT), handbook, 1986**
- Box 1 : 19           **Committee for the Relief of Vietnamese Refugees in Southeast Asia, newsletters, 1988-1989**
- Box 1 : 20           **Community Resources Opportunity Project (CROP), brochures, circa 1990**
- Box 1 : 21           **Comprehensive Plan of Action, reports and informational materials, 1990-1993**
- Box 1 : 22           **Congressional bills, 1989-1990**
- Box 1 : 23           ***Congressional Record*, discussion of U.S. relations with Vietnam, 1990**
- Box 1 : 24           **Consortium program, bulletins produced by Save the Children, 1991**
- Box 1 : 25           **Consultation on refugee admissions, fiscal year 1989-1990**
- Box 1 : 26           **Council for Refugee Rights, correspondence and reports, 1989**

- Box 1 : 27 ***A Cry to Humanity*, booklet, 1994**  
Box 1 : 28 ***Dai Nam*, booklet, 1989**
- Scope and Content Note**
- In Vietnamese.
- Box 1 : 29 **Department of Health and Human Services, correspondence, 1994**  
Box 1 : 30 ***Department of State Bulletin*, bulletin of United States foreign policy, 1979**  
Box 1 : 31 ***Di*, publication written by Nguyen Xuan Quang, 1990**
- Scope and Content Note**
- In Vietnamese.
- Box 1 : 32 ***Dien Dan Thu Do*, publication, 1989**
- Scope and Content Note**
- In Vietnamese.
- Box 1 : 33 **Dong Rek lists, 1991**
- Scope and Content Note**
- Lists of children of former military personnel in Dong Rek, and of relatives living in and outside of the U.S.
- Box 1 : 34 **Dornan, Robert, materials, 1987-1989**
- Scope and Content Note**
- Dornan served as a U.S. Congressman from California.
- Box 1 : 35 ***Experiment in International Living*, publication, 1985-1988**  
Box 1 : 36 **First asylum, fact sheets and reports, 1988-1990**  
Box 1 : 37 ***Friends of the Boat People Newsletter*, 1990**  
Box 1 : 38 **Geneva conference on refugee issues, testimonies and reports, 1988-1989**  
Box 1 : 39 ***Handbook on Procedures and Criteria for Determining Refugee Status*, 1988**  
Box 1 : 40 **Highland Detention Center, *The Newspaper of Vietnam*, 1990**  
Box 1 : 41 **Holding center, correspondence and background materials, 1989-1990**  
Box 1 : 42 **Hong Kong refugee camps, reports and informational materials, 1990-1991**  
Box 1 : 43 ***Hong Viet*, newsletter, 1993**
- Scope and Content Note**
- In Vietnamese.
- Box 1 : 44 ***Hy Vong*, newsletter, circa 1990**
- Scope and Content Note**
- In Vietnamese.
- Box 1 : 45 ***Immigration and Naturalization Service Reporter*, newsletter, 1980**  
Box 1 : 46 **Immigration rules created by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization service for Vietnamese refugees, 1981-1982**
- Box 1 : 47 ***Indochina Digest*, newsletter produced by the Indochina Project, 1990**  
Box 1 : 48 ***Indochina Journal*, publication of the Indochina Human Rights Group, 1989**  
Box 1 : 49-50 **Indochina Resource Action Center, correspondence and reports, 1984-1993.**
- Physical Description:** 2 folders.
- Box 1 : 51 **InterAction, correspondence, 1989-1991**
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- Box 1 : 52 **Inter-Asian Affairs, bulletins, 1990**  
Box 1 : 53 **International Catholic Migration Commission, program materials, 1989**  
Box 1 : 54 ***International Migration Review*, publication, 1981-1986**  
Box 1 : 55 **International Rescue Committee, reports and program materials, 1982-1989**  
Box 1 : 56 ***International Trade Resource Guide*, circa 1990**  
Box 1 : 57 **Irvine city council, correspondence and program materials, 1989-1990**  
Box 1 : 58 **Journal, circa 1990**

**Scope and Content Note**

Written by Thuy Vinh Tran, a member of Project Ngoc.

- Box 1 : 59 **Le, Xuan Khoa, materials, 1988-1989**

**Scope and Content Note**

Le was the founding executive director of the Southeast Asian Resource Action Center.

- Box 1 : 60 **Kuala Lumpur meeting, reports, 1989**  
Box 1 : 61 **Lawyers Committee for Human Rights, correspondence and report, 1989**  
Box 1 : 62 **Legal Assistance for Vietnamese Asylum Seekers (LAVAS), correspondence and program materials, 1990-1993**  
Box 1 : 63 ***Legislative Monitor*, newsletter produced by Migration and Refugee Services, 1989**  
Box 1 : 64 **Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service, correspondence and bulletin, 1989-1997**  
Box 1 : 65 **Malaysian Red Crescent Society, newsletter and program materials, 1986-1989**  
Box 1 : 66 **Malaysian worker conditions and trade status, correspondence and directory, 1990**  
Box 1 : 67 **Migration and Refugee Services, program materials, 1986-1991**  
Box 1 : 68 ***Migration World Magazine*, 1990**  
Box 1 : 69 **Miscellaneous, 1983-1997.**

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains papers from various organizations involved with refugee issues.

- Box 2 : 1 ***Monday*, newsletter on refugee and immigration issues, 1991**  
Box 2 : 2 ***Mong Manh Tho*, 1994**

**Scope and Content Note**

Book of poetry by Mui Quy Bong.

- Box 2 : 3 ***Mung Xuan Ky Ty*, book of stories, circa 1990**

**Scope and Content Note**

In Vietnamese.

- Box 2 : 4 ***The Nao La Mot Nguoi Ty Nan*, 1991**

**Scope and Content Note**

In Vietnamese.

- Box 2 : 5 **National Association for the Education and Advancement of Cambodian, Laotian and Vietnamese Americans (NAFEA), newsletter, 1990**

- Box 2 : 6 **National Immigration Refugee and Citizenship Forum, bulletin, 1989**  
Box 2 : 7 **Naturalization papers, 1985-1991.**

**Access Information**

Access is restricted until 2042-01-01.

- Box 2 : 8 ***New Tide*, booklet on Vietnamese culture produced by the Friendship Association of the Diocese of Vinh, 1990**  
Box 2 : 9 **Nguyen, Tu Uyen, biology class papers, 1993**
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- Box 2 : 10      ***Nuoc Mat Trong Tim*, book by Le Dai Lang, 1990**
- Scope and Content Note**
- In Vietnamese.
- Box 2 : 11      **Orange County petition regarding repatriation of Vietnamese asylum seekers, circa 1990**
- Box 2 : 12      **Orderly Departure Program, program description and materials, 1988-1991**
- Box 2 : 13      **Oxfam America, program materials and bulletin, 1987-1989**
- Box 2 : 14-15    **Papers**
- Box 2 : 14      **Refugee issues, 1979-1990**
- Box 2 : 15      **Thailand refugees, 1987-1990**
- Box 2 : 16      **Petition letters regarding refugee issues and services, 1989-1996**
- Box 2 : 17      **Petitions for alien relatives, 1986-1991.**
- Access Information**
- Access is restricted until 2042-01-01
- Box 2 : 18      ***Pirates on the Gulf of Siam*, report written by an anonymous group of Vietnamese boat people, 1981**
- Box 2 : 19      **Program, Association for Asian American Studies conference, 1994**
- Box 2 : 20      **Project Deliverance, newsletter and meeting materials, 1989.**
- Box 2 : 21      **Questionnaire regarding refugee status under the Comprehensive Plan of Action, 1989**
- Box 2 : 22      **Refugee act of 1980, act descriptions, 1978-1990**
- Box 2 : 23-24    **Refugee Concern Hong Kong (RCHK), organizational papers and directory, 1989-1992.**
- Physical Description:** 2 folders.
- Box 2 : 25      ***Refugee Concern Newsmagazine*, published by Refugee Concern Hong Kong, 1994-1996**
- Box 2 : 26      ***Refugee in International Law*, book by Guy S. Goodwin-Gill, 1983**
- Box 2 : 27-28    **Refugees International, bulletins, papers, and program materials, 1988-1991.**
- Physical Description:** 2 folders.
- Box 2 : 29      **Refugee Policy Group, publications, 1985-1989**
- Box 2 : 30      ***Refugee Reports*, newsletter produced by the United States Committee for Refugees, 1991**
- Box 2 : 31      ***Refugees*, periodical published by the Public Information Service of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, 1988-1990**
- Box 2 : 32      ***Refugee Situation in Thailand*, paper done by Dennis Gallagher, 1985**
- Box 2 : 33      **Refugee status for Vietnamese asylum seekers, Malaysia, paper, 1989**
- Box 2 : 34      **Refugee Studies Programme, report, newsletter, and program materials, 1987-1989**
- Box 2 : 35      ***Refugee Voices*, newsletter, 1988-1989**
- Box 2 : 36-40    **Reports**
- Box 2 : 36      **Indochinese refugee panel, 1986**
- Box 2 : 37      **Jesuit refugee service legal team, 1992**
- Box 2 : 38      **Refugees in the United States, 1985**
- Box 2 : 39      **Refugee issues, 1980-1990**
- Box 2 : 40      **Refugee resettlement program, 1979-1986**
- Box 2 : 41      **Review of United States refugee resettlement programs and policies, 1985**
- Scope and Content Note**
- The review occurred during the second session of the 96th Congress.
- Box 2 : 42      **Ripley, Simon, materials, 1989**
- Box 2 : 43      ***SAIS Review*, publication by Daniel Wolf and Shep Lowman, 1990**
- Box 2 : 44      ***International Social Service Hong Kong Branch School*, journal and test questions for a microeconomics course, 1996**
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Box 2 : 45 **Sunday Morning Post Magazine, 1990**

**Scope and Content Note**

The feature article in this issue concerns the arrival of Vietnamese boat people in Hong Kong.

Box 2 : 46 **Symposium on Vietnamese Former Political Prisoners, press materials, 1989**

Box 2 : 47 **Tap Chi Tu Do, publications, 1990-1991**

**Scope and Content Note**

In Vietnamese.

Box 2 : 48 **Southeast Asian refugee glossary, 1989**

Box 2 : 49 **Testimonies regarding refugees, 1989-1990**

Box 2 : 50 **Thai, Dinh Quang Anh, materials, 1989**

Box 2 : 51 **Thai petition concerning the Lautenberg amendment, 1988-1991**

Box 2 : 52 **Nguyen, Dinh Thang, materials, 1989**

Box 2 : 53 **Tin Thu Newsletter, newsletter produced by Aid to Refugee Children Without Parents, Incorporated, 1990-1994**

Box 2 : 54 **Tre Tho Tren Dao Cam, publication, 1990**

**Scope and Content Note**

In Vietnamese.

Box 2 : 55 **Tu Do, Whitehead Detention Center (Hong Kong) newsletter, 1990**

**Scope and Content Note**

In Vietnamese. See also Whitehead Detention Center.

Box 2 : 56-57 **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, reports and correspondence, 1987-1993.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

Box 2 : 58 **United States Committee for Refugees, reports and testimony, 1989-1990**

**Scope and Content Note**

See also *World Refugee Survey*.

Box 2 : 59 **United States resettlement agencies, list of agencies with contact information, circa 1990**

Box 2 : 60 **Vietnamese American Arts and Leisure Association (VAALA), newsletter, 1993**

Box 2 : 61 **Vietnamese Asylum Seekers in Hong Kong, correspondence and report, 1990**

Box 2 : 62 **Vietnamese Boat People in Malaysia, program materials, 1988-1991**

Box 3 : 1 **Vietnamese experience in America, course reading materials, 1992**

Box 3 : 2 **Viet Nguyen, *Sculptetching va beyond*, 1992**

**Scope and Content Note**

The book features the work of artist Viet Nguyen.

Box 3 : 3 ***Violations of Human Rights in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam*, 1983.**

**Scope and Content Note**

Report discussing camp conditions and treatment of refugees.

Box 3 : 4 **Westminster conference, 1989.**

**Scope and Content Note**

Conference involved issues regarding status of refugees and human rights.

Box 3 : 5            **Whitehead Detention Center (Hong Kong), correspondence and materials regarding the refugee situation at Whitehead, 1990-1993**

**Scope and Content Note**

See also *Tu Do*.

Box 3 : 6            ***World Paper*, newsletter produced by World Times Incorporated, 1984**

Box 3 : 7            ***World Refugee Survey*, periodical produced by the United States Committee for Refugees, 1993**

**Scope and Content Note**

See also United States Committee for Refugees.

Box 3 : 8            ***Xay Dung*, periodical, 1991-1996**

Series 2. **Project Ngoc organizational files, 1987-1997**

**Physical Description:** 0.4 linear ft.

**Series Scope and Content Summary**

This series comprises the organizational papers of Project Ngoc from its creation in 1987 to the time it disbanded in 1997. It includes correspondence, newsletters, materials documenting activities of the group, and papers recording the financial history of the group. Information on visits to various refugee camps in Southeast Asia is also contained in the series.

**Arrangement**

The series is arranged alphabetically by topic and chronologically within each file.

- Box 4 : 1           **Awards, 1990-1997**
- Box 4 : 2           **Candlelight vigil, 1989**
- Box 4 : 3           **Class, 1987**
- Box 4 : 4-5         **Correspondence, 1987-1994.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

- Box 4 : 6           **Donations, circa 1990**
- Box 4 : 7           **Financial reports, 1987-1989**
- Box 4 : 8-10       **Miscellaneous materials, 1987-1997.**

**Physical Description:** 3 folders.

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains published ephemera, guidelines on visiting Southeast Asian countries, and handwritten notes.

- Box 4 : 11         **Newsletters, 1989-1995**
- Box 4 : 12         **Receipts, 1988-1989**
- Box 4 : 13         **Saturn essay competition, 1996**
- Box 4 : 14         **Van nghe (culture night), 1994**
- Box 4 : 15         **Walk-a-thon for boat people's rights, 1991-1996**

Series 3. Visual and audiovisual materials, 1985-1997

**Physical Description:** 1.4 linear ft.

**Series Scope and Content Summary**

This series includes photographs, slides, and audio and video cassette tapes documenting various activities and trips conducted by Project Ngoc. Activities include art exhibits, concerts, and candlelight vigils held to raise money and awareness of refugees and camp conditions in Southeast Asia. Travel to Southeast Asian refugee camps, the people living in the camps, and camp conditions are also depicted in the materials.

**Arrangement**

The series is arranged by format of material, then alphabetically by topic.

**Access**

Access to original copies of audio and video recordings is restricted; use copies must be made prior to researcher use of the recordings. 48 hours advance notice is required in order to create use copies, which will then become a permanent part of the collection. Contact Special Collections and Archives for further information.

Box AV-6 : **Audio cassette tapes**

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Box AV-6 : **Arcata tape, 1994**

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Box AV-6 : **Interview with Project Ngoc member on group's activities and refugee issues, circa 1990**

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Box AV-6 : **Project Ngoc slide show, 1990**

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Box AV-6 : **Project Ngoc slide show, "One Last Cry," circa 1990**

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Box 5 : 1-65

**Photographs**

Box 5 : 1-10

**Activities, 1985-1995.**

**Physical Description:** 10 folders.

Box 5 : 11

**Art exhibit and banquet, 1991**

Box 5 : 12

**Art exhibit and walk-a-thon, 1989-1990**

Box 5 : 13-14

**Art exhibit at UCI, 1991-1992.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

Box 5 : 15-16

**Art gallery, 1990-1992.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

Box 5 : 17

**Art gallery at Westminster, 1991**

Box 5 : 18

**Banquet, 1992**

Box 5 : 19

**Burmese camp, Thailand, 1990**

Box 5 : 20

**Camp conditions, 1988**

Box 5 : 21-23

**Camps, circa 1990.**

**Physical Description:** 3 folders.

Box 5 : 24-25

**Candlelight vigil, 1989-circa 1990.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

Box 5 : 26

**Candlelight Vigil, Westminster, 1996**

Box 5 : 27-28

**Cape Collinson camp, 1988-1989.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

- Box 5 : 29-35            **Closed camps, 1988-1991.**
- Physical Description:** 7 folders.
- Box 5 : 36               **Concert, 1995**
- Box 5 : 37               **Cambodian Association of America meeting, 1988**
- Box 5 : 38               **Fundraiser, circa 1990**
- Box 5 : 39-40           **Geneva, 1989.**
- Physical Description:** 2 folders.
- Box 5 : 41               **Hong Kong, 1988**
- Box 5 : 42               **Los Angeles airport, 1989**
- Box 5 : 43               **March for boat people's rights, 1989**
- Box 5 : 44               **Morong, Philippines, 1990**
- Box 5 : 45-52           **Palawan refugee camp, 1988-1994.**
- Physical Description:** 8 folders.
- Box 5 : 53               **Petition drive, 1993**
- Box 5 : 54               **Philippines first asylum camp (PFAC), 1990**
- Box 5 : 55               **Saturn award, 1991**
- Box 5 : 56               **Scrapbook, 1995**
- Box 5 : 57-59           **Tenth anniversary of Project Ngoc, 1997.**
- Physical Description:** 3 folders.
- Box 5 : 60               **Thanksgiving activities, circa 1990**
- Box 5 : 61               **Van nghe (culture night), 1995**
- Box 5 : 62               **Van nghe at camps (culture night), 1990**
- Box 5 : 63               **Van nghe for refugees (culture night), 1988**
- Box 5 : 64-65           **Walk-a-thon, 1992.**
- Physical Description:** 2 folders.
- Box 6 : 1-9               **Slides**
- Box 6 : 1                 **Artwork, circa 1990**
- Box 6 : 2                 **Artwork and camp conditions, 1994**
- Box 6 : 3                 **Camp life of boat people, circa 1990**
- Box 6 : 4-7               **Camps, 1989.**
- Physical Description:** 4 folders.
- Box 6 : 8                 **Children in refugee camps, circa 1990**
- Box 6 : 9                 **Children's new year performance at camp, circa 1990**
- Box AV-7 :               **VHS video cassette tapes**
- MS-SEA016-V01/V05
- Box AV-7 :               **Buoi Tuong Trinh Va Thao Luan, 1989**
- MS-SEA016-V01
- Box AV-7 :               **Hong Kong, 1989**
- MS-SEA016-V02
- Box AV-7 :               **Liberia: a friend in need (U.S. Committee for Refugees), 1990**
- MS-SEA016-V03
- Box AV-7 :               **Stalemate Kampuchea, circa 1990.**
- MS-SEA016-V04
- Scope and Content Note**
- 58 minutes.

Box AV-7 :  
MS-SEA016-V05

**UCI Lunar New Year, circa 1990**

## Series 4. Artwork, 1987-1997

**Physical Description:** 2.4 linear ft.

**Series Scope and Content Summary**

This series comprises drawings and paintings done by refugee artists in the Hong Kong camps that were visited by members of Project Ngoc. The artwork focuses on the obstacles faced by the refugees living in the camps and the frustration they felt over their living conditions.

**Arrangement**

The artwork is arranged alphabetically by artist. All artwork was created during the years of activity of Project Ngoc from 1987-1997. Dates are provided only when the date appeared on the individual piece of art. The majority of the artwork contains artist names and titles in Vietnamese. Quan Tran provided translation services for the artist and title names.

Box FB-61 : 17	<b>Anh, Hung. Slogan</b>
	<b>Artist unknown</b>
Box XOS1	<b>Advocate Day</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>Another Night</b>
Box XOS1	<b>Autumn Rain</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>Behind the Fences</b>
Box FB-9 : 8	<b>The Blind</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>Camp 1B.</b>
	<b>Physical Description:</b> 2 pieces of art.
Box XOS1	<b>The Cards Are Revealed, 1993</b>
Box XOS8	<b>Children in Despair</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>A Child's Dream</b>
Box XOS1	<b>Commemorating Those Who Die On Their Ways to Find Freedom.</b>
	<b>Physical Description:</b> 2 pieces of art.
Box XOS1	<b>Communist Regime Is</b>
Box XOS1	<b>Constitution of Communist Vietnam</b>
Box FB-9 : 8	<b>Crutch and the Slogan Sign</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>Desperation</b>
Box XOS1	<b>The Dinner of Traditional Tet in Closed Camp</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>The Dove</b>
Box FB-9 : 8	<b>Dried Tree</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>Dry</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>Emptiness</b>
Box XOS1	<b>The Fate of Those Who Seek Freedom</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>Finding in Your Eyes</b>
Box XOS1	<b>Fragments of Refugee Life</b>
Box XOS2	<b>Heaven and Hell</b>
Box XOS2	<b>Her, I Want</b>
Box XOS2	<b>Humanity Beware</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>Hunger Strike Night</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>Hurricane Surge</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>An Ideology</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>Immersing in the Rain</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>In Spite, Determine Not to Let the Past Sleeps Well</b>
Box XOS2	<b>I Still Love My Homeland After the Ruin, Entering the 22nd Century</b>
Box XOS8	<b>Journey's End</b>
Box FB-61 : 14	<b>The Land and the People</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>Life From the Outside</b>
Box FB-39 : 4	<b>Living Day</b>
Box FB-61 : 15	<b>Long Live Freedom, 1992</b>

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Box FB-61 : 15 **A Meal on Reunion Day**  
 Box FB-61 : 15 **Memorial Statue**  
 Box XOS2 **New Year (Year of the Chicken), 1993**  
 Box FB-61 : 15 **Night at "A" School**  
 Box XOS2 **No Supporting PT**  
 Box FB-61 : 15 **Offering Day**  
 Box FB-61 : 15 **One's Deplored Fate**  
 Box XOS2 **The Only Living Thing Inside the Closed Camp**  
 Box FB-9 : 8 **Protection**  
 Box FB-39 : 4 **The Quiet Handicapped People**  
 Box FB-61 : 15 **Raising the Slogans**  
 Box XOS2 **Refugee Concern Boat People, 1994**  
 Box XOS2 **Returning Day, 1993**  
 Box FB-61 : 15 **Sadness**  
 Box XOS2 **The Scream in the Storm**  
 Box XOS3 **Section 8, 1992.**

**Physical Description:** 2 pieces of art.

Box XOS3 **Seed of Life**  
 Box XOS3 **Sekkong Tragedy Has Still Left Behind Broken Hearted Feeling to the Living**  
 Box FB-39 : 4 **Self Portrait, 1990**  
 Box FB-61 : 15 **Separation, 1993**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **Sharing the Same Idea, Vietnamese Overseas Communities in Europe, Australia, North America**  
 Box XOS3 **The Silent Footsteps in an Empty Town**  
 Box FB-39 : 4 **A Singing Group**  
 Box FB-9 : 8 **Sit**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **Song on this Side of the Fence, 1993**  
 Box 8 **S.O.S. Collage, undated**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **The Strength of Youth**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **Struggling**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **Sunset**  
 Box XOS3 **There's a Wooden Flute, 1992**  
 Box FB-39 : 5 **The Third Day**  
 Box FB-39 : 5 **A Thorny Rose**  
 Box FB-39 : 5 **Under the Camping Hut**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **Underneath Night Light, 1993**  
 Box XOS5-6 **Untitled, circa 1990-1995.**

**Physical Description:** 16 pieces of art.

Box XOS3 **Vietnamese Bamboo, 1992**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **Vietnamese, My Old Village. My Homeland**  
 Box FB-61 : 16 **Watering Under the Moon**  
 Box XOS3 **What Will become of Your Life, My Child?, 1992**  
 Box XOS3 **Where is Freedom?, 1992**  
 Box XOS3 **Who Buries Whom?**  
 Box FB-9 : 8 **Wind From All directions**  
 Box XOS3 **The Wings of the Exiles, 1993**  
 Box FB-61 : 17 **Arts and Literature Organization, untitled**  
 Bui, Duc Loc  
 Box XOS9 **Fate of the Boat People**  
 Box XOS9 **The Last Hope**  
 Box XOS9 **Life, 1990**  
 Box FB-61 : 18 **The Round-Up**  
 Box XOS7 **Dao, Nhat Bo. The Country and the People.**  
 Box XOS9 **Dao, Vu Bang. Benediction**  
 Box 8 **Dinh, Thuy Khac. S.O.S.**  
**Duy, Khoa.**

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Box XOS7	<b>Contemplation</b>
Box FB-61 : 17	<b>Not an Ordinary Corner, 1993</b>
Box XOS7	<b>Red Radio-Active Elements-The Tragedy of April 30, 1975</b>
	<b>Hoang, Quoc Bien</b>
Box XOS9	<b>Family Life</b>
Box XOS4	<b>A Mother Feeding Her Baby</b>
Box XOS4	<b>My Bright Future</b>
Box XOS8	<b>The Rose</b>
	<b>Le, Trung</b>
Box XOS7	<b>Distance, 1993</b>
Box XOS7	<b>The Event of the 21st Century, 1993</b>
Box XOS7	<b>The Refuge Road</b>
	<b>Ngoc, Anh</b>
Box XOS7	<b>The Boat People's Song</b>
Box XOS7	<b>The Dance of "Boat People"</b>
	<b>Nguyen, Binh Thai</b>
Box FB-61 : 17	<b>Chickens</b>
Box XOS8	<b>Full Moon of the Mid-Autumn Festival in the Free Land</b>
Box XOS8	<b>S.O.S.</b>
Box XOS5	<b>Thank You</b>
Box XOS9	<b>Painting depicts two people holding a pink rose</b>
	<b>Nguyen, Dai Giang</b>
Box XOS9	<b>Black Sun</b>
Box XOS9	<b>A Cry For Help on the Voyage to Freedom, 1990</b>
Box XOS8	<b>Life in the Camp</b>
Box XOS8	<b>Mother of Lost Souls</b>
Box XOS8	<b>A mother who has lost her child on the seas, arrives in Hong Kong, 1990</b>
	<b>Nguyen, Quang Phuc</b>
Box XOS5	<b>The Bond</b>
Box XOS9	<b>A Brother and Sister in a Hong Kong Detention Center, 1990</b>
Box XOS5	<b>The Communist Road to Heaven</b>
Box XOS9	<b>Dreams and Reality, 1990</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>A Love Between A Mother and Her Child</b>
Box XOS8	<b>The "magic" of communist for the writers and artists</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>A Red Spider in Viet Nam</b>
Box XOS9	<b>Why?</b>
Box XOS5	<b>The Young Children in the Detention Centers</b>
	<b>Nguyen Quang Truong</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>From the Corner of Vu Kim Ban's Place</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>Getting Water</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>The Jail at Night</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>One Corner of Camp Panat Nikhom</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>Playing Chess</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>Section Eight</b>
Box XOS4	<b>Nguyen, Thuy Duong. Skull of Communism</b>
	<b>Project Ngoc</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>Boat People A Cry for Freedom</b>
Box ML 360	<b>Boat People poster</b>
Box XOS9	<b>Camp Life</b>
Box ML 360	<b>Project Ngoc poster</b>
Box FB-39 : 5	<b>Student of grade nine and sixteen years old. The Villages and Towns in My Home Country</b>
Box FB-39 : 5	<b>Student of grade six. Freedom is the Only Desire of All Those Who Live in These Camps</b>
Box XOS5	<b>Students of grades seven and eight. Wishes</b>
Box FB-39 : 5	<b>Students of 1994 Summer Art Exhibition. Trust Freedom, 1994</b>
Box FB-61 : 17	<b>Tang, Nga Son. Thirst, 1991</b>
	<b>Thac, Vien</b>
Box XOS7	<b>Communist Snail</b>
Box FB-61 : 17	<b>The Dove</b>

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Box XOS5	<b>The Fate of the Vietnamese Boat People After June 6, 1988</b>
Box 8	<b>The Lives and the Belief, 1993</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>Seeds of the Future</b>
Box FB-39 : 5	<b>Waiting</b>
	<b>Trinh, Do</b>
Box XOS8	<b>Hands of Cruelty</b>
Box FB-61 : 18	<b>Rejection Letter</b>
Box XOS4	<b>Thinking of Hanoi</b>
Box XOS4	<b>We Still Live</b>
	<b>Trinh, Quoc Lap</b>
Box XOS8	<b>Hope Of Freedom</b>
Box XOS4	<b>Nightmare</b>
Box XOS4	<b>Vu, Bang. No Milk Today and No Mother in Future</b>
	<b>Vu, Minh Van</b>
Box 8	<b>The Big Unity</b>
Box 8	<b>Communist Reform</b>
Box XOS1	<b>The Dinner of Traditional Tet in Closed Camp</b>
Box 8	<b>The Real State of the Boat People</b>

Series 5. **Newspaper clippings, 1980-1998**

**Physical Description:** 1 linear ft.

**Series Scope and Content Summary**

This series comprises clippings collected by members of Project Ngoc during its years of activity from 1987-1997. The clippings focus on activities of Project Ngoc and on issues related to Southeast Asian refugees living in camps and those who resettled to the United States.

**Arrangement**

The clippings are arranged chronologically by year.

Box 7 : 1            **1980**  
Box 7 : 2            **1981**  
Box 7 : 3            **1982**  
Box 7 : 4            **1983**  
Box 7 : 5            **1984**  
Box 7 : 6            **1985**  
Box 7 : 7            **1986**  
Box 7 : 8            **1987**  
Box 7 : 9-10        **1988.**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

Box 7 : 11-16       **1989.**

**Physical Description:** 6 folders.

Box 7 : 17-19       **1990.**

**Physical Description:** 3 folders.

Box 7 : 20           **1991**  
Box 7 : 21           **1992**  
Box 7 : 22           **1993**  
Box 7 : 23           **1994**  
Box 7 : 24           **1996**  
Box 7 : 25           **1997**  
Box 7 : 26           **1998**  
Box 7 : 27-29       **Circa 1980-1998.**

**Physical Description:** 3 folders.