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Danish Minister of Environment and Food visits Vietnam

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Danish Minister for the Environment and Food Ms. Eva Kjer Hansen will pay an official visit to Hanoi on November 9, 2015, hosted by the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development Mr. Phat.

Focus for the visit will be to strengthen Vietnam-Denmark's relationship based on the bilateral Comprehensive Partnership, growing trade and new possibilities with Vietnam-EU's FTA as well as strengthened bilateral cooperation within environment and food sectors.

During the visit, Danish Minister for Environment and Food will have talks with Deputy Prime Minister Hai, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development Mr. Cao Duc Phat, and Minister of Natural resources and Environment Mr. Nguyen Minh Quang. The visit also includes business activities and MOU signings between Vietnam and Denmark counterparts.

“The purpose of my visit to Vietnam is to acknowledge and further strengthen the strong comprehensive partnership between Vietnam and Denmark at the government level and at the same time to encourage cooperation between Vietnamese and Danish businesses in agriculture, food and green growth”, says Ms. Eva Kjer Hansen.

Background:

The Comprehensive Partnership Agreement between Vietnam and Denmark was signed during President Trương Tấn Sang's state visit to Denmark in 2013. The Comprehensive Partnership Agreement includes Environment and Agriculture including Food sector as priorities. Vietnam and Denmark also hold a Strategic Partnership of 2012 within climate, energy, environment and green growth.

Two way trade between Vietnam and Denmark continues to grow in the last few years. The first 6 months of 2015 saw a record increase of 77,2% in goods exports from Denmark to Vietnam compared to figures of the same period of 2014, while Vietnam goods export to Denmark was at 1,266 million DKK, which equals to 32% rise compared to last year period.

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