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The Philosophy of Human Rights and the 'Political Man': Engaging the Intellectual Legacy of Ho Chi Minh in a Technological Era

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The rapid advancements of economy, sciences and technology and the overall influences of globalization on Vietnamese society are accompanied by serious challenges. Economic liberalization has brought abrupt shifts in management and institutional oversight, and major social changes followed suit resulting in considerable detrimental effects in terms of new or resurfacing social phenomena. Rampant cases of corruption, human trafficking, various crimes against women and children etc. worrify a society that had not long ago prided itself with order and social justice. Thus, the question of the place of traditional values and human rights in the Vietnamese society re-emerges with a new acuteness. After sketching the development of the philosophy of human rights and their place in human society, the paper analyzes the formation of Ho Chi Minh's notion of human rights and explores it against the background of a Western conception of human rights. Most importantly, critical questions will be asked about how to competently engage Minh's ideas on this topic in the new era of contemporary Vietnamese socio-economical transformations.





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