THE 2004 VIETNAM MIGRATION SURVEY:

THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF MIGRANTS IN VIETNAM

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FOREWORD

In 2004 the General Statistics Office (GSO) successfully conducted a Viet Nam-wide internal migration survey. The main purpose was to provide a statistical underpinning to the migration situation in Viet Nam which would be suitable for later analysis. Findings would serve as an empirical background to development of policies along with the appropriate legal frameworks. By doing so, the survey and its aftermath were intended to contribute to the construction of national and regional socio-economic development plans, especially in rural areas, whereby the rights of migrants would be respected and they would be assisted to integrate into society. In 2005, the GSO completed the analysis of the survey data and produced a publication titled The 2004 Vietnam Migration Survey: Major Findings.

This new monograph now being released and titled *Quality of Life of* Migrants in Vietnam is a further step in the on-going analyses of the relationships between employment and labor market participation, housing and other living conditions. It aims to assess how the quality of life of migrants is impacted by factors including with migration type, migration registration status and length of time spent at the destination.

With technical support from the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the work was conducted by policy analysts and researchers from the London Institute of Overseas Development. It was then submitted to the GSO.

UNFPA and the GSO have great pleasure in placing this monograph before all researchers, policymakers, planners and other interested users. We recommend it to you and them.

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