

## Tran Huynh Duy Thuc

**Adoption Status:** Adopted by Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA)

**Country:** Vietnam

**Occupation:** Vietnamese blogger, entrepreneur and businessman

**Detained Since:** May 2009



**Charges:** Theft of a telecommunications device, but the authorities were unable to find any evidence for this, and later charged Tran with “promoting anti-Socialist, anti-government propaganda” and undertaking “activities aimed at subverting the people’s government”

**Sentence:** 16 years in prison

**Additional:** He was jailed, along with three other democracy activists, after a trial lasting just one day; his sentence is the longest ever handed down to a dissident in Vietnam. Tran is the founder and CEO of One-Connection Internet, an Internet service provider, and the author of several dissident blogs and articles on Vietnam’s economy.

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