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## Hanoi Announces Diplomatic Ties With Philippines

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North Vietnam and the Philippines have established diplomatic relations, Hanoi's official news agency reported yesterday.

The agency said a communique setting up relations was signed Thursday in Hanoi by officials of the two countries.

During the Vietnam war, The Philippines sent military units to South Vietnam to aid the former Saigon regime. They served mainly in logistic and support roles.

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