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11. Summary of the new findings of the thesis

The thesis is the first systematic academic work in Vietnam on the relationship between Vietnam and England from the 17th century to the 19th century. Based on researching domestic and international data from multi-dimensional approaches, the thesis raises issues in both scientific and practice terms; it points out the goals and motivations of England and other Western countries to penetrate into Vietnam and East Asia as well as changes of the relationships from commercial and economic characteristics to diplomatic and political ones. Besides, the thesis also specifies EIC's intentions when it went to Vietnam as well as changes in its ways of penetrating and establishing its position in Vietnam in certain periods. In order to analyze the intentions of EIC and England Government, the thesis has put Vietnam's market in the comparison with other potential and prosperous markets in East Asia.

Together with the above mentioned contents, the thesis systematically presents and researches the policies and responses of Vietnamese monarchical regimes to interpret the causes of England's failure. I hope that the thesis will be used as a source of reference for people who study and research history and people who are interested in international affairs, especially the relations between Vietnam and some

East Asian nations as well as Western powers. From its findings, the thesis as a new reference will contribute a new approach and some fresh explanations in the study of the relationship between Vietnam and England from 17th century to 19th century.

12. Practical applicability

- Reference for undergraduate and graduate students.
- Research on the history of England and Vietnam relations through English missions to Vietnam from the 17th century to 19th century would contribute to boost the current relations between Vietnam and Britain, especially when British diplomats are seeking to promote research activities in terms of historical and cultural issues in order to strengthen the two countries' cooperation.
- Reference for policy makers to understand deeply about a historic issue, from that they could make appropriate policies.

13. Further research directions

- Diplomatic relations between Vietnam and Western countries in modern times.
- Diplomatic relations between Vietnam and Britain since 1973.

14. Thesis -related publications

1. Nguyen Thi My Hanh (2005), "Vietnam-England's Commercial Exposure in the 17th Century", *Journal of European Studies* (6), pp. 61-69.
2. Nguyen Thi My Hanh (2012), "England's Plots in the Orient in 16th Century", *Journal of European Studies* (7), pp. 44-53.
3. Nguyen Thi My Hanh (2013), "Far East in East India Company's Strategy from 1623 to 1684", *Journal of European Studies* (6), pp. 47-59.
4. Nguyen Thi My Hanh (2014), "England's Ways of Penetrating into Vietnam from 17th Century to the first half of 19th century", *Journal of European Studies* (4), pp. 69-79.
5. Nguyen Thi My Hanh (2014), *English Missions to Vietnam from 18th Century to 19th Century*, Scientific Research-University Level, Code CS.2013.14, University of Social Sciences and Humanities.