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11. Summary of the new findings of the thesis:

As a corpus-based study comparing the logico-semantic relations in English and Vietnamese, the study makes some significant typological contributions to the theory on the logico-semantic relations in three big ways:

The first contribution is reorganizing and adapting the existing frameworks to build up the modified analytical frameworks of projection and expansion in clause complexes, which are more applicable to the description of different languages in the sense that they are less delicate and less Anglo-centric than the existing frameworks.

The second contribution is re-examining the frameworks of projection and expansion in English using the modified analytical framework; incorporating the preceding theoretical points with the real-life examples in the corpora, bringing about the new and more comparable framework of logico-semantic relationship in English.

The third, also the most significant contribution uncovering an untouched issue in Vietnamese in SFL perspective – the logico-semantic relations in Vietnamese clause complexes, building up the

two frameworks of projection and expansion in Vietnamese. Using the same analytical frameworks presented in chapter 1, the logico-semantic relations in Vietnamese clause complexes are, for the first time, fully described.

The last but not least contribution is pointing out the similarities and differences in realization and operation of the logico-semantic relations in English clause complexes and Vietnamese clause complexes.

12. Practical applicability, if any: findings of this thesis are applicable in teaching English grammar and Vietnamese grammar

13. Further research directions, if any: It is suggested that further studies will focus on explaining why there are such similarities and differences, basing on the theories on language acquisition and language families. Further research can also focus on how to apply the findings of the thesis meaningfully on the teaching of English and Vietnamese grammar in the light of SFL.

14. Thesis-related publications:

- Nguyễn Thị Minh Tâm (2008), "Hypotactic Clause Complex of Projection in Vietnamese", *Journal of Science of Vietnam National University, Hanoi* Vol.24 (2). pp.127-134
- Nguyễn Thị Minh Tâm (2012), "Clause complexes as the unit above the clause in linguistic analysis", *Proceedings of the Conference: Discourse, Knowledge, and Culture in Danang*, pp.266 - 276.
- Nguyễn Thị Minh Tâm (2012), "The logico-semantic relation of expansion in clause complexes: resource from English and Vietnamese", *Journal of Foreign Languages of Hanoi University* (30), pp.3-19