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The national flag of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam hangs from a building in Hanoi. This red flag with a single gold star in the center was adopted by the North Vietnamese in 1955, and then used for the entire nation after the South Vietnamese regime fell in 1975. The red background symbolizes Communism. The five points of the gold star are said to represent five groups of people praised by the nation's Communist revolutionaries: farmers, workers, intellectuals, youths, and soldiers.

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