



A locally-printed plan of French colonial Hanoi

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 Bàn đô Thành-phô Hanoi. Plan de Hanoi.

Hanoi, c.1950. Lithographic map, printed in blue. Sheet 750 x 495mm.

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A sketch map of Hanoi, lettered in a mix of Vietnamese characters and the French names used before Ho Chi Minh established the Democratic Republic of Vietnam in 1954. Examples include the publisher's address of '61, Francis Garnier', a road named after the French officer who captured Hanoi in 1873. Among the pencil annotations are two crosses on the Pont Doumer (Long Biên Bridge), perhaps marking a target or where the bridge has been already damaged in fighting.

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