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NARRATION

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CITY SCENES / MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC / CONSTRUCTION

Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, is growing at a fast pace, flooded by rural migrants seeking a better life. The population, now 6.2 million, is projected to reach 10 million by 2020, twice what it was in 1999. (15")

COUPLE ON MOTORCYCLE, AT FACTORY AND AT HOME

Ho Thi Thanh Nga and Nguyen Xuan Thanh, from central Vietnam, illustrate the sacrifices made by young migrants. Since both work long hours at a shoe factory, their twin daughters must live with their grandparents back in their home village. (14")

COUPLE ON CAMERA WITH PHOTO OF LITTLE GIRLS

"I saw the children in September. I will see them again when we go home for the Tet holiday." (6")

HO THI THANH NGA: (Vietnamese) **F**

WORKERS AT FACTORY

The Sunflower Shoe factory is a magnet for migrants. Twenty-five hundred workers make ladies' shoes for export to Europe and North America. Most earn around 20 cents an hour.

Some spend half their pay on ren	ıt. (13")	
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100,000 hectares of farmland to low-cost housing

FACTORY WOMAN IN HER KITCHEN	Six young workers share a one-room apartment. One came from a village in the Mekong Delta. (6")
FEMALE WORKERS ON CAMERA	WOMAN IN GREEN SHIRT (Vietnamese) F "My hometown is very poor and I am one of eight children." (4")
WOMAN CRIES	NARRATION Talking about home is painful for her roommate, originally from the Central Highlands. (4")
FEMALE WORKERS ON CAMERA	WOMAN IN WHITE DRESS (Vietnamese) F "My mother died last year. I miss her." (3")
FEMALE WORKER AT SHOE FACTORY	WOMAN IN BLUE SHIRT (Vietnamese) F "I would love to go home, but it's impossible. My family is too poor to think about my future." (6")
CITY STREETS	NARRATION A new report by UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, looks at what's in store for the world's fast growing cities. It states that
SHANTYTOWN	governments must act now so the next generation can have adequate jobs, services, land and housing. (15")
VO SY ON CAMERA	Ho Chi Minh City is trying to do just that. Planning official Vo Sy says the city intends to convert

by 2020. (11")

FARMLAND

SHANTYTOWN

The UNFPA report stresses that urbanization plans have to focus on the future needs of the poor.

People like Dang Thi Kieu, who sells cigarettes in a shantytown. (10")

DANG THI KIEU ON CAMERA AND WITH HER TWO SONS

"Living in the city is not as hard as it was in the village. I make enough to send my sons to school. I hope life will be better for them here." (8.5")

WOMAN VENDOR (Vietnamese)

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CONTRUCTION SITE / AERIAL SHOT OF CITY

Cities can offer better prospects for millions of people. But farsighted planning is required to realize that dream. (6.5")

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