

### State Building in Cold War Asia

Departing from conventional studies of border hostility in inter-Asian relations, Yin Qingfei explores how two revolutionary states – China and Vietnam – each pursued policies that echoed the other and collaborated in extending their authority to the borderlands from 1949 to 1975. Making use of central and local archival sources in both Chinese and Vietnamese, she reveals how the people living on the border responded to such unprecedentedly aggressive state building and especially how they appropriated the language of socialist brotherhood to negotiate with authorities. During the continuous Indochina wars, state expansion thus did not unfold on these postcolonial borderlands in a coherent or linear manner. Weaving together international, national, and transnational-local histories, this deeply researched and original study presents a new approach to the highly volatile Sino-Vietnamese relations during the Cold War, centering on the two modernising revolutionary powers' competitive and collaborative state building on the borderlands and local responses to it.

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#### Abbreviations

**AMFEAF** Archives of the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs

of France

**BGV** Bộ Giao thông Vận tải CIA Central Intelligence Agency Communist Party of China **CPC** 

**CPSU** Communist Party of the Soviet Union

**CPV** Communist Party of Vietnam CIA Records Search Tool CREST

Cold War International History Project **CWIHP CZMA** Chongzuo Municipal Archives

DRV Democratic Republic of Vietnam

**ECNURC** East China Normal University Resources Center of

Contemporary Chinese History

FDA Fangcheng District Archives

**FMAPRC** Foreign Ministry Archives of the People's Republic of China

**GBMT** Guangzhou Bureau of Martime Transportation

**GDPA** Guangdong Provincial Archives

GSBNZhonghua renmin gonghe guoshi biannian Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region **GZAR** 

**GZARA** Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Archives

**ICP Indochinese Communist Party** 

**ISC International Supervisory Commission** JYZWX Jianguo yilai zhongyao wenxian xuanbian

Khu tư tri Tây Bắc KTTTB Khu tư tri Việt Bắc KTTVB

LDTL. Lịch sử Đảng bộ tỉnh Lạng Sơn LDTM Lich sử Đảng bộ thi xã Móng Cái

MOPS Ministry of Public Security

**NARA** The National Archives and Records Administration

NAVC III National Archives of Vietnam Center III NLF National Liberation Front of South Vietnam

**NMA** Nanning Municipal Archives

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List of Abbreviations

NXB Nhà xuất bản

PAVN People's Army of Vietnam PLA People's Liberation Army PRC People's Republic of China

PTTg Phủ Thủ tướng RMB Renminbi

ROC Republic of China

SEATO Southeast Asia Treaty Organization

SLDQ Những sự kiện lịch sử Đảng, tỉnh Quảng Ninh

UBHC Uỷ ban Hành chính

UBKCHC Uỷ ban Kháng chiến Hành chính

UKNA The National Archives of the United Kingdom

VKDTT Văn kiện Đảng toàn tập VNĐ Vietnamese đồng

WPV Workers Party of Vietnam

YBJZ Youyiguan bianfang jianchazhan zhanzhi

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