

Children and mothers walking past a wall

covered in communist posters including a poster of Vietnamese leader Ho Ci Min

Date

1969-1979

Medium

gelatin silver print

Description

Ho Ci Min led the Việt Minh independence movement from 1941 onward, establishing the Communist-ruled Democratic Republic of Vietnam in 1945 and defeating the French Union in 1954 at the battle of Điện Biên Phủ. He officially stepped down from power in 1965 due to health problems, but remained a highly visible figurehead and inspiration for those Vietnamese fighting for his cause—a united, communist Vietnam—until his death.

Dimensions

Overall: 20.4 x 30.4 cm (8 x 12 in.)