

Believe it or not, this was US Gov't Land Reform policy in S. Vietnam - 1964 -

Chapter II

Article I - It is hereby declared the policy of the Republic of Vietnam that all farm tenancy will be abolished at the earliest practicable date not to exceed one year from the date this law becomes effective.

Article II - The President of the Republic of Vietnam is instructed to issue decree laws authorizing the National Government to expropriate all rice lands that have been farmed by tenants during the past year for the purpose of transferring titles to such lands in plots of appropriate sizes to the tenants in question.

Article III - Decree laws shall be issued by the President instructing village councils to act as agents for the National Government for the purpose of effecting immediate transfers of land expropriated under provision of Article II (above) to eligible tenant farmers in accordance with standards specified in said decree laws.

Article IV - No worker of the land shall be required to pay any fees, or other expenses in connection with his application for title to land, or for his receipt of a title under provisions of this decree. However, this Article shall not prevent the imposition of a fair tax upon the land by authorized authorities one year after the worker receives final title to the land; provided, however, that in no case shall such taxes be collected in advance.

Note: We did not have a sound political base for democratic government in S. Vietnam. I did not take part in the above program while in Vietnam - 1966-72.

US proposals for link reforms in
South changed every year - 1966-72
They were obviously counter-productive -
nothing the Vietnamese people
wanted - or would accept -

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