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15. SUMMARY:

(C-Jun 71) This report contains information obtained from an enemy document and concerns a letter, dated 10 December 1970, from the Central Executive Committee ((of the NVN Lao Dong Party)) and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, addressed to "compatriots and servicemen." The letter denounces the US policy in Indochina and exhorts the people to continue to struggle to expel the American imperialists from Indochina. The letter concludes by thanking socialist countries for their support and appealing to them to continue to help drive the US imperialists from SVN.

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LETTER FROM THE CENTRAL EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE ((OF THE NVN LAO, ĐÔNG
PARTY)) AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

Dear Compatriots and Servicemen,

The US imperialists have invaded our country to wage a cruel, colonialist war. Our people have bravely resisted, defeated all of their aggressive plans, and won many victories. The glorious victories gained during the 1968 Tết drove the US and Puppet forces into a very critical position. They were forced to unconditionally stop bombing and other acts of war against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. The US imperialists are still obstinate and warlike. They have constantly implemented their Vietnamization and pacification programs in SVN. They have escalated the "special" war in Laos with continuous efforts to encroach upon the liberated areas of the ((Pathet)) Lào. They have invaded Cambodia and destroyed the independence, neutrality, and peace of that nation. Nixon betrayed the American people and failed to fulfill his promise when he took power. He has obstinately prolonged and expanded the cruel war against the Vietnamese people and the other people of Indochina.

Since early May 70, the US imperialists have committed the most severe acts of war against NVN. They have recently increased air reconnaissance, bombing, and Special Forces activities, thus committing more crimes in various areas in NVN, including the areas surrounding Hanoi.

To conceal its war crimes, the Nixon administration used various tricks to deceive the public by its peace proposals while it continued the war and prevented progress at the Paris peace negotiations.

It even concocted the story of "secret agreements" ((between US and NVN)) in order to continue air reconnaissance and bombing activities. It talked of humanity while more than 1,000,000 aggressive US troops and their henchmen were ravaging our country, killing our people, and relocating thousands of the people of SVN into strategic hamlets and resettlement centers. It imprisoned the patriots in "chuồng cọp" ((tiger cages)).

It sprayed toxic chemicals and dropped millions of tons of bombs to destroy our country. The American aggressors tried to prevent NVN from aiding the war of resistance in SVN. The North Vietnamese and the South Vietnamese are of the same race and nothing can prevent NVN from fulfilling its sacred obligation.

The leaders in the White House and the Pentagon have expanded the war and planned new military adventures against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. Our Vietnamese people fully realize that such acts of madness will never make the US aggressors stronger, but will prove that they are experiencing serious failures in the Vietnamization program in SVN, and are encountering repeated

difficulties in Indochina, in the US, and throughout the world.

The US imperialists mobilized their powerful forces in the limited war in SVN and in the destructive war in NVN, but they have been defeated. Nixon and his lackeys must know that the Vietnamese people, with inflexible will, fight for the national cause and fear no threat.

Dear compatriots and servicemen! Our people love peace, but it must be a just peace. The correct policy to solve the Vietnam problem is the 10-point proposal and eight-point supplemental proposal of the Provisional Revolutionary Government and the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. Nevertheless, the US imperialists intentionally continue their war of aggression in our country, infringe upon our sovereignty in violation of the primary principles of international law, challenge our people and the progressive people. We formally announce again:

The Democratic Republic of Vietnam is an independent and sovereign nation, a member of the socialist bloc, and its territorial integrity must be respected. The US imperialists must stop their acts of war against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam forever. Our people are resolved to punish their acts against our sacred national rights.

In the face of the new US conspiracy, the entire Party, army, and people must display unanimity and make all efforts to execute the will of Chairman Hồ.

Lead the resistance to victories, fight until the US withdraws and the Puppets collapse, protect NVN, and prepare for peace and the reunification of the country. Our people are determined to be side by side with the Lao and Cambodian people to drive the US imperialists out of Indochina.

The people of all classes, servicemen, young and old, male and female, should maintain solidarity, promote patriotism and vigilance. Prepare to fight and be resolved to heighten combat ability. Disrupt the war scheme of the US imperialists. Compete with one another in farm production; practice economy; and work in the ricefields, the enterprises, and the agricultural sites.

Strive to develop socialism, strengthen NVN, and accomplish the mission of supporting the front line ((meaning the war in SVN)).

The people and servicemen in ((NVN)) Military Region IV must display a firm combat tradition ((sic)), and fulfill all missions assigned by the Party and government. They must prove worthy of their position as the forward area of socialist NVN. Under the leadership of the National Liberation Front and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of Vietnam, the heroic people and servicemen in SVN, from mountains to plains, from rural areas to cities, should take advantage of their victories to develop the great strength of the people, launch continuous attacks and uprisings, destroy the US and Puppet military forces, and defeat their pacification and Vietnamization programs.

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All Party members of the Lao-Đông Party must set examples in their combat and production activities to be deserving of the confidence of the people, the leaders, and be loyal servants to the people. ✓

All members of the HỒ Chí Minh Labor Youth Group should set examples in their vanguard missions and strengthen solidarity, be ready to fight in the armed forces, and be willing to serve the country. Prepare to fight and accomplish labor tasks. The Vietnamese residents in foreign countries must display patriotism, an inflexible will, loyalty to the fatherland, and must contribute their best efforts to the war for national salvation.

On this occasion, we sincerely thank the socialist countries for their sympathy and substantial assistance to the Vietnamese in their war against the US imperialists. We appeal to the socialist countries, the people of the world, and the progressive American people to force the US imperialists to end their acts of war against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, give up their Vietnamization plan, withdraw unconditionally from SVN, and let the South Vietnamese people resolve their own affairs.

No matter how recalcitrant they are, the US imperialists will be defeated by our army and people.

The anti-US resistance for national salvation will be completely successful.

For independence, liberty, socialism, and the glorious international obligation, the people and servicemen must bravely rush forward ((to defeat US troops)).

Hanoi, 10 Dec 70