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II. PLAF PROMISES A "WINTER-SPRING OFFENSIVE" IN MESSAGE TO VPA

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On the occasion of the 26th Founding Anniversary of the Viet-Nam People's Army (December 22, 1970), the Command of the South Viet-Nam People's Liberation Armed Forces has sent a greeting message to the High Command of the Viet-Nam People's Army. The message reads:

In the past 26 years, created and guided by the Viet-Nam Workers Party headed by beloved President Ho Chi Minh, fostered by the entire people and warmly supported by the world's people, the Viet-Nam People's Army has won brilliant and historic victories. Together with the entire people, it defeated the French colonialists, chased out the Japanese fascists, carried out successfully the August Revolution, brought to victory the resistance war against the French colonialists, completely liberated the beloved North Viet-Nam. In the current great war of resistance against U.S. aggression, for national salvation, the Viet-Nam People's Army defeated the U.S. imperialists' large-scale war of destruction and is defeating all their acts of provocation and sabotage, to defend the socialist North Viet-Nam, at the same time wholeheartedly assists the South Vietnamese people and armed forces in their struggle against U.S. aggression, for national salvation, thus contributing actively to the revolutionary cause of the Indochinese peoples and the world's people for independence, peace, democracy and social progress, to be worthy of the command of President Ho Chi Minh, namely "Loyal to the Party, Faithful to the People, Fulfilling whatever Duty, Braving whatever Difficulty, Defeating all Enemy Whoever They Are." The Viet-Nam People's Army is worthy to be the heroic army of an heroic people, the very valiant brother of the South Vietnamese People's Liberation Armed Forces,

All the cadres and fighters of the South Viet-Nam People's Liberation Armed Forces pledge to learn and enhance to the utmost the traditions of the Viet-Nam People's Army to persistently step up the struggle against U.S. aggression, for national salvation till final victory, to liberate the South, defend the North, reunify the fatherland, realize at all costs the sacred behest of President Ho Chi Minh: "So long as there remains even only one aggressor on our land, we still must fight on to sweep him away." In the immediate (as received) in furtherance of the appeal of the Viet-Nam Workers Party Central Committee and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam, the appeal of the South Viet-Nam National Front for Liberation Central Committee and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Viet-Nam, and the combat order of the High Command of the

Viet Nam People's Army, and in the determination to realize their vow of dealing five and ten times harder blows to the U.S. imperialists if they dare attack the North, " (Quote marks as received). All the South Viet Nam People's Liberation Armed Forces pledge to launch a victorious winter-spring offensive, to continue to frustrate the U.S. - puppet "pacification" plan and "vietnamization?" (as received) of the war program, to score many exploits in fight and building, to grow in strength in the course of the fight, to advance to win total victory.