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HISTORY OF THE VIETNAM WAR ON MICROFILM

* The Communist grand strategy in Indochina changed from Regular Force (or big-unit war) strategy to a new form of protracted conflict (neo-revolutionary gerrilla war) strategy.

* As a result, the level of ground warfare (not air war however) dropped sharply. Also as a result, there was a draw-back to some degree by the Communists, into the more remote areas of central Indochina -- into the so-called redoubt.

* The Communists' ability to wage war was sharply curtailed and they now face a disadvantageous Field Force Ratio. At the present time the Communists do not have the manpower, the material nor -- I believe -- the will power that is required for decisive victory.

* The Communist change of strategy in Vietnam of triggered a series of developments in Cambodia including the deposition of Prince Norodom Sihanouk. The Communists in Cambodia, having failed in their effort to destroy quickly the Lon Nol government, began a maoist-type "people's war" in rural Cambodia.

* The "Vietnamization" effort by the U.S. in South Vietnam, i.e. turning over the burden of war (and peace) to the South Vietnamese and Asian nations continued to progress well.

* Dissaray developed in North Vietnam following the death of Ho Chi Minh; chiefly trouble and disputes over:

- Proper military strategy to employ in the war in the south.
- Allocation of economic resources within the society and in the war; particularly the economic problem of increasing agricultural production.
- Methods for correcting various social and psychological problems which have developed in North Vietnam such as lowered morale, corruption in the Party ranks, extensive blackmarketing and other forms of social misbehavior.

* The NLF in South Vietnam diminished both in military and political terms.

* Increased internal governmental organizational strength developed in the GVN and was particularly significant in the

pacification program; 94 percent of the 2,500 South Vietnamese villages are now free of communist control although they may now and then be subjected to communist terror acts.

* Criticism of the war and conduct of the war in the United States diminished in intensity.