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#### ANTIPACIFICATION EFFORT IN SAIGON AREA ACCLAIMED

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[Commentary: "Ba Ria-Long Khanh directed a hard blow at the U.S.-puppet clique's pacification plan"]

[Text] New victorious gunfire again resounded on the Ba Ria-Long Khanh battlefield, in the outskirts of Saigon city. For 3 days, 22, 23, and 24 September, in violent clashes with the civil guards and pacification-supporting forces, including U.S. and puppet troops, at Tan Lap, the Ba Ria-Long Khanh armed forces and people annihilated or inflicted serious losses on five puppet regular and civil guards' companies and downed six aircraft.

This new glorious feat-of-arms once again reflects the iron-hard determination of the Ba Ria-Long Khanh armed forces and people to overcome all difficulties and sacrifices, to constantly arise and hit hard at the U.S. and puppet troops and to smash their cruel special pacification scheme. The U.S. aggressors have assembled great military strength, including the U.S. puppet and satellite forces, such as the U.S. air cavalrymen, U.S. armored cavalrymen, the U.S. light infantrymen, and Australian and Thai mercenary troops, to pacify this area and to turn it into a safe area in defense of the northeastern part of Saigon. As a result the Ba Ria-Long Khanh people have had to cope with repeated mopping-up operations of the enemy. Moreover, the enemy has resorted to every cruel plot to herd the people into their concentration camps and to uproot our revolutionary organization in the area. But the enemy cannot escape from the violent counterattacks of our people's overall war in this area. Indeed, the Ba Ria-Long Khanh PLAF have resolutely dashed forward and repeatedly attacked and gradually smashed the enemy's special pacification scheme.

Reality has shown that the U.S.-puppet clique has tried to use the civil guards as the core strength in carrying out the pacification operations, but in Ba Ria-Long Khanh the civil guards cannot escape from being annihilated. The U.S.-puppet clique has had to rush puppet regular forces to the area to rescue the civil guards.

Wherever they landed and despite strong support from armored forces, the U.S. and puppet troops could not escape from being hit hard by the Ba Ria-Long Khanh armed forces and people and sustaining severe losses. Under all circumstances, the Ba Ria-Long Khanh PLAF have shown that they have fought well and have achieved high combat efficiency. In all clashes with the enemy, the Ba Ria-Long Khanh PLAF have always held the initiative, thoroughly understood the enemy's situation, made thorough preparations and adopted appropriate fighting methods. Moreover, the three categories of troops of Ba Ria-Long Khanh have closely coordinated their activities, thus creating favorable conditions for each other to fulfill their tasks.

While the PLAF strongly attacked the enemy reinforcement troops at Tan Lap, the guerrillas and regional troops of Xuan Loc district also violently attacked the U.S. air cavalrymen and punished many sky raiders.

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A guerrilla with his rifle succeeded in downing two U.S. aircraft in a battle. Another guerrilla also downed a U.S. aircraft with only five bullets. Thanks to the coordination of their activities the Ba Ria-Long Khanh armed forces and people have succeeded in dealing repeated and hard blows at the U.S.-puppet troops in the area. Thanks to this close coordination the Ba Ria-Long Khanh PLAF have gradually frustrated the U.S.-puppet special pacification scheme and efficiently supported our compatriots in protecting and enlarging the liberated area.

Along with recent victories of the armed forces and people of Bien Hoa, Gia Dinh, Tay Ninh, Thu Dau Mot, and Long An, the recent victories of the Ba Ria-Long Khanh armed forces and people have constantly unstabilized the U.S.-puppet defense on the eastern and Nam Bo battlefield and have inflicted repeated serious failures on their scheme of turning the area bordering Saigon into the most secure area in their special pacification scheme.

This is also a stunning blow directed at the U.S. Vietnamization-of-the-war scheme in eastern Nam Bo where the Americans have often boasted they have scored much progress. They also have boasted that the allied forces--meaning the Saigon puppet troops--are able to gradually shoulder the responsibility of protecting the capital of South Vietnam, and so forth. The new victory of the Ba Ria-Long Khanh armed forces and people in Tan Lap and Xuan Loc and many other recent victories of the eastern Nam Bo armed forces and people have encouraged and are encouraging vigorously the increasingly decisive struggle of the Saigon-Cholon-Gia Dinh armed forces and people. They have been instilling strength into our Saigon-Cholon-Gia Dinh compatriots in their struggle to frustrate all the schemes of oppression, sweeps, arrests, and savage murdering of our compatriots by the countrygrabbing and countryselling clique in their so-called "For the People" campaign.

Ba Ria-Long Khanh, which inflicted deadly blows on the puppet 18th Division and the U.S. 11th Independent Armored Regiment, is now rushing forward to overcome all difficulties and ordeals in order to coordinate closely their fighting and to deal serious blows at the U.S. puppet special pacification plan. The Ba Ria-Long Khanh armed forces and people will certainly score more resounding and comprehensive victories in the future.

#### Tasks Outlined

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[Text] On 16 September, the Ba Ria-Long Khanh liberation front committee met to discuss plans to direct the people to frustrate the U.S.-puppets' special pacification plan.

The conference unanimously set forth the following tasks for the Ba Ria-Long Khanh troops and people for the days to come: resolutely and comprehensively foil the enemy's special pacification plan in villages and hamlets and develop the people's right to be masters; strive to build up lower-level forces; develop the people's guerrilla war movement throughout the three areas, accelerate production practice thrift; and resolutely struggle to return to their former native places in order to earn their living.