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[Article by (?Le Vinh) published in 17 November QUAN DOI NHAN DAN: "Northern Quang Tri develops its continuous and comprehensive offensive position"]

[Text] On the basis of thoroughly grasping the lines and methods inherent in a revolutionary war, in the recent past, the northern Quang Tri armed forces and people held aloft their spirit of actively taking the initiative to continuously attack the enemy, thus inflicting heavy losses on the U.S. aggressors and their lackeys. All three troops categories have attacked continuously and uniformly. At on other battlefields, the U.S. aggressors and their lackeys have been feverishly carrying out their pacification plan in northern Quang Tri. In areas under their temporary control, they have strenuously developed civil guard and militia forces, networks of spies, puppet administrations, and reactionary parties with a view to oppressing and pacifying the people. Relying on their network of military posts, they have intensified their mop-up operations to strike at revolutionary bases and to expel the liberation armed forces. In the outer belt, they have feverishly bombing and violently shelling the liberated area, they have also concentrated a sizeable force of regular U.S. and puppet troops with which to lay down defense lines and to launch operations to block the liberation forces' offensive power from a distance. To destroy U.S.-puppet forces and frustrate all enemy pacification measures, the PLAF's three categories of troops wholeheartedly took part and joined in to fight alongside the people; they relentlessly and uniformly attacked the enemy in the three strategic areas [the mountains, the coastal zone, and the plain].

In April, liberation regular units wiped out or decimated 7 companies of the U.S. 1st Armored Infantry Brigade and 2 battalions of the puppet 2d Infantry Regiment in the western mountain areas, for example, on Hill 544 in Tan Kim, Ho Xye, and (Do Ma). While the enemy was forced to move reinforcements to these areas, regional troops and guerrillas seized this opportunity to strongly attack enemy bases in the rural, delta, and coastal areas. In these areas, our armed forces and people wiped out many civil guard and militia units and razed dozens of enemy posts along routes from Gioe Mien to the Dong Ho intersection, as in (Cu Hoan, Lam Lac, Gale An, Cho Tan, My Hoa), and Ha Thuong. Regional forces have also stuck closely to and attacked the enemy in his base areas and repeatedly attacked him in his mop-up operations.

Using valiant and resourceful combat methods, northern Quang Tri armed forces have sunk or set ablaze many enemy ships on the Cha Viet River, on 2 August alone, they sunk within 30 minutes, 5 enemy ships right in the port area. During a year of implementation of President Khe's Testament, the 5th Infantry detachment fought more than 100 battles, wiping out 2,500 U.S. and puppet troops, destroying 224 armored cars of the U.S. 1st Armored Infantry Brigade, and downing or setting ablaze 6 aircraft. Developing the armed struggle, people in strategic hamlets and concentration areas, with the assistance of the liberation armed forces, have staged successive uprisings and struggles and arrested hundreds of cruel, dishonest pacification workers and puppet administrators from dispatch down to village and hamlets levels. Revolutionary bases in important areas have been restored, consolidated, and developed. In a number of areas, the enemy has been forced to yield to many of the people's demands.

Hundreds of compatriot families that were sent into concentration camps have successfully struggled to return to the liberated areas. Villagers in most villages in the area have struggled to gradually regain their mastership right. The northern Quang Tri armed forces' and people's military and political achievements have driven the enemy deeply into a passive and bewildered position. The Americans have gradually withdrawn their armed forces from South Vietnam yet they still sent in units from the 101st Airborne Division that were stationed in Thua Thien and Quang Nam to reinforce their counterparts in northern Quang Tri. At various localities in the northern Quang Tri delta puppet dishonest and cruel agents have had to flee every night. Many of them want to rally to the people's camp.

Closely coordinating their annihilation of the enemy with the people's struggle to regain their mastership right, the northern Quang Tri PLAF have heightened their offensive initiative spirit and have closely combined their attacks with the people's political struggle. Each phase of attacks and each battle have fully conformed with the requirements of building and developing the revolutionary bases and of accelerating the political struggle movement in the localities. When it was necessary to provide strong support for the masses' uprisings to regain their mastership right, no matter how difficult their tasks might be, the liberation troops and guerrillas resolutely fought and scored victories.

In firmly grasping this motto, Liberation unit X made careful preparations for annihilating an enemy commando battalion--which is an enemy diehard and cruel oppressive force--at Mai Loc--an area which the Americans and their puppets considered to be completely pacified. The resounding victory at Mai Loc has vigorously encouraged the people's struggle impetus in the areas under temporary enemy control and has seriously disintegrated the morale of the American and puppet troops and their oppressive forces.

In order to annihilate the enemy and to regain the mastership right for the people, the northern Quang Tri PLAF held their valiant and stalwart spirit, persistently fought, and provided active support for the compatriots' uprisings against the enemy. Unit X continuously sank enemy vessels in the Cua Viet River. Detachment X constantly and persistently attacked the U.S. 1st Infantry Brigade units, and, in several consecutive months, wrecked enemy armored cars and annihilated scores of American troops every day.

Guerrillas and regional troops have fully used their improved weapons and have striven to use their homemade weapons. Together with the compatriots they have unleashed relentless attacks against the enemy, constantly annihilated enemy diehard and cruel agents, and destroyed enemy bondage. Thanks to the successful political struggle, the development of the people's mastership right and the development of the revolutionary bases have created favorable conditions for the PLAF to push forward their annihilated attacks against the enemy. For instance, in their annihilation attacks against a puppet regional forces company at village K, the people showed the liberation troops all the enemy shelters. At night the puppet regional troops and militiamen often fled and slept in civilian residences in order to escape death.

Relying on the victorious political struggle, our liberation fighters and compatriots have encouraged many puppet soldiers to return to the people. In some battles, adopting the 3-frontal offensive tactic and harmoniously coordinating our forces, we have gained high combat efficiency, swiftly annihilated enemy battalions, and disintegrated by large chunks the enemy oppressive forces.

The northern Quang Tri armed forces and people, bringing into full play their past victories and experiences, are determined to persist in an accelerate the resistance, to develop their new offensive position, and to closely coordinate the annihilation of the enemy with the people's struggle for regaining their mastership right. Certainly, they will score even more glorious victories.

✓ CENTRAL TRUNG BO ARMED FORCES DEFEATING ENEMY'S PACIFICATION

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[Commentary: "The central Trung Bo plains have vigorously attacked the enemy's oppressive network"]

[Text] In the past months, the 3 troop categories in central Trung Bo plains have harmoniously coordinated their actions in making deep and vigorous thrusts into a series of headquarters and lairs of wicked command staffs of the local bondage machinery. Enemy annihilating gunfire has been continuously ranged on a series of enemy bases throughout the 29 military subsectors and district seats in the area, such as Hieu Duc, Vinh Duc, Dien Ban, Duy Xuyen, Duc Duc, Dai Loc, and Thuong Duc, Quang Da Province; Que Son, Thanh Binh, Tra Mi, and Tam Ky, Quang Nam Province; Tra Dong, Binh Son, Tam Quan, Foai Khon, and Vinh Thanh, Binh Dinh Province; Ninh Hoa, Dien Khanh, Van Ninh, and Que Chau, Khanh Hoa Province; and so forth.

Central Trung Bo is one of the U.S.-puppet key areas of pacification. From the previous accelerated pacification program to the present special pacification program, the Americans and their puppets have attached importance to building and consolidating the network of district seats and military subsectors in hopes of turning them into local military and political centers. The enemy considers this dense network the outer shield of a string of important strategic military bases along the coast, such as Da Nang, Qui Nhon, Nha Trang, and Cam Ranh. To them, these district seats and military subsectors are headquarters of local posts and key checkpoints on the communication lines linking many important rear areas with the Tay Nguyen, Tri-Thien, and southern Trung Bo areas. Particularly, the enemy has used the network of district seats in military subsectors as a springboard to launch encroachment operations to plunder, pacify, and herd the people, assisting local wicked agents in perpetrating crimes and in hampering the development of the guerrilla warfare movement and the mass movements to rise up to gain control.

Therefore, in the past months the central Trung Bo guerrillas and regional troops have continuously attacked and destroyed the enemy's military subsectors and key defense positions, or have limited his activities there. Outstanding military exploits that destroyed the Son Phuoc position, which had controlled the northwestern area of Phu Yen, and the Tra Bong military subsector, which had controlled the northwestern area of Quang Ngai, and that encircled and annihilated the enemy at Thuong Duc on the southwestern defensive frontline of Da Nang have enthused the armed forces and people throughout the country. These armed exploits and those destroying a string of enemy positions within concentration centers such as in the (My) Mountain Quang Nam Province; in the (Chu) Mountain and on Island T, Quang Ngai Province; in the Do Mountain, in the Cau Ong Do, Phuoc Thanh, Nhon Thanh and Tan Ap areas; and at the (Hanh Ra) position, Binh Dinh Province; on Hon Ngang Island, Phu Yen Province; at Ninh Hoa, Khanh Hoa Province; and so forth are seriously shaking the enemy's defense posture, limiting the enemy's counteroffensive capability, disintegrating civil guards and militiamen, and actively assisting hundreds of thousands of compatriots under enemy bondage in concentration centers in districts seats and military subsectors to gain control.

In the past 45 days, 15,500 Americans, puppets, and satellites were annihilated, 60 percent of whom had belonged to oppressive forces, and an additional 45,000 compatriots gained control. This is proof that the enemy's pacification program in central Trung Bo is on the verge of failure. The central Trung Bo plans have been the scenes of the U.S. aggressors' and their puppets' savage crimes that were perpetrated at Phu My Son My, Ba Lang An, Binh Duong, and so forth, and the localities which have considerably suffered from bombings, shellings, and poisonous chemicals and where the enemy has carried out the cruelest tricks to pressgang and herd the people into concentration centers. However, in spite of such hardships, the armed forces and people in the central Trung Bo plains have closely united to continuously pour the fire of hatred onto the Americans and their puppets. United as one in the fighting, the people, cadres, and combatants have defeated many of the cruel and perfidious pacification tricks of the enemy.

Presently, the U.S. aggressors and their henchmen are taking advantage of the typhoons and floods to consolidate many of the district seats and military subsectors which have been attacked and threatened, and to pressgang and herd the people [words indistinct] district seats and military subsectors. They are resorting to demagogic relief tricks in order to closely link our compatriots to concentration centers.

Being clearly aware of the enemy's maneuvers, the armed forces and people in the central Trung Bo plains are determined to overcome hardships and difficulties to punish both the Americans and their puppets, to protect our compatriots, to continue to attack the enemy vigorously and comprehensively, and to defeat their criminal special pacification program.

NHAN DAN REPORTS PLAN FULFILLMENT IN LIGHT INDUSTRY BRANCH

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[Text] During the 3d quarter of 1970 the light industry branch overfulfilled the established norms by 1.4 percent in production value. Favorable changes also have been noticed in the weaving branch. Such main consumer and export goods as textiles, plain and finished cloth, wool, fiber, leather, aluminium articles, chinaware, and electric bulbs overfulfilled the established norms for the 3d quarter by from 0.5 to 14 percent and greatly surpassed the established norms for the 2d quarter. Many high quality goods also surpassed those produced in the first 2d quarters of the year.

During the 3d quarter the light industry branch has improved its leadership, guidance, and management of production. A system of paying workers according to production has reached 70 percent of the workers in the weaving branch, and from 15 to 38 percent in various consumer goods factories. Labor management also has been improved. Many plants have helped fix daily labor norms for each worker, have properly cited workers who achieved high daily labor norms, have overcome the workers' habit of lengthening the break between shifts, and have improved food quality for 3d shiftworkers and built rest houses for them. That is why labor output in the entire branch has overfulfilled the established norms for the 3d quarter by 0.3 percent. The labor output of weaving workers, in particular, has increased 5.7 percent.

The use and issuance of supplies has been controlled more strictly than before. Workers have upheld the spirit of good maintenance of machines and have assigned themselves the responsibility for repairing and cleaning machines. Various plants have improved the technical control and equipping of production links. Poorly produced goods were often noticed in order to insure that their products are of good quality.

Developing past achievements and struggling for a successful accomplishment of the 4th quarter plan and of the entire 1970 plan, the light industry branch has set forth trends for using concentrated labor to further stabilize production conditions for various enterprises while endeavoring to improve the quality of products, step up production of export goods, and improve management in economic and technical aspects, in order to normalize management in various enterprises. In order to fulfill plans, various plants and enterprises are endeavoring to complete the installment of diesel generators so that they can begin operating soon in order to insure that enough electricity and gas is available for production. The planning department and management agencies are helping enterprises secure sufficient raw materials in order to insure their continuous production.