

Highly indignant at the bellicose, insolent and criminal acts of the U.S. aggressors and their lackeys against their kith and kin in the north, the army and people in South Viet Nam will deal yet heavier blows at the U.S. aggressors and their lackeys and will, together with the people in the north, smash every one of their acts of military adventure.

Resolved to carry out the great President Ho Chi Minh's testament and with an unshakable will, the army and people in South Viet Nam are resolved to persist in and step up the struggle against the U.S. aggressors, for national salvation, to gain even greater successes for the liberation of the south, the defence of the north and the ultimate peaceful reunification of the country.

V. QUAN DOI NHAN DAN 22 Nov Editorial

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[22 November QUAN DOI NHAN DAN editorial: "Steel-like Blows at the Nixon Clique"]

[Text] Beginning at 0230 hours on 21 November 1970, the Nixon clique sent many flights of planes, including even helicopters, to encroach upon the airspace of the north and to strafe many areas in Quang Ninh, Haiphong, Hoa Binh, and Ha Tay. On 21 November, U.S. planes also strafed tens of other places in Quang Binh and Ha Tinh provinces. This constitutes an extremely serious act of war by the U.S. imperialists. The U.S. aggressors sent a great number of fighter planes, broken down into many flights, to penetrate deeply into the Gulf of Tonkin area from aircraft carriers and from U.S. airbases in South Vietnam and Thailand; they carried out a continuous attack, on a large-scale, against many localities in many provinces far inside the northern territory.

U.S. bombs and bullets killed or wounded many of our compatriots, including women and children. U.S. bombs and bullets also hit a detention camp, wounding a number of U.S. aggressor pilots. These raids by U.S. aircraft were planned, premeditated acts by the White House and the Pentagon and were part of the entire scheme to intensify and enlarge the U.S. aggressive war in recent days. U.S. Defense Secretary Laird himself asserted that he had ordered U.S. planes to raid the northern part of Vietnam. The U.S. aggressors cannot cover up their flagrant crimes. They are uttering crafty arguments with a view to deceiving public opinion. Laird repeatedly clamored that the raids of U.S. planes were of a self-defense nature. But the Americans have no right to use U.S. planes, regardless of their type, to brazenly encroach upon the airspace of our country, an independent and sovereign country. The U.S. acts of self-defense are obviously aggressive acts. Our people have used their sacred right of self-defense to counter the pirates.

To recognize the right of self-defense of those who are carrying out aggression is tantamount to admitting that the U.S. imperialists' aggression is legal. Laird said: The U.S. planes' raid against the north constituted retaliatory measures against the fact that a U.S. observation plane had been downed. This insolent argument was inherently that of Johnson, when he began to wage his destructive war in the northern part of our country. Everyone knows that the argument on retaliatory measures is, in truth, a very illogical pretext for the Americans to escalate their aggressive war. This is an argument of pirates. Laird also roundaboutly stated that the U.S. planes only attacked the antiaircraft emplacements south of the 19th Parallel, but the U.S. planes also strafed the Hanoi suburban areas that are not south of

the 19th Parallel. The dead or wounded Vietnamese mothers and children and even the wounded U.S. aggressors pilots in the detention camp are not antiaircraft emplacements. What can this be called, this brazen statement on freely raiding the territory of another country, if not an aggressive act or the act of bandits?

The Americans have no right to encroach on a single inch of Vietnamese territory no matter in what parallel it may be located. The Americans have no right to raid any target on Vietnamese territory. Laird also stated that these clashes are restricted in time. Although this argument is aimed at assuaging public opinion, the criminal acts perpetrated by the Americans against the northern part of our country, even in a short war by the Air Force, are nonetheless very serious. The bandits must immediately end all their piratical acts. Laird also stated that the recent air strikes were very important for the safety and security of the U.S. Armed Forces in South Viet Nam. Then, to really insure the safety of the U.S. expeditionary troops, why doesn't the Nixon clique withdraw all U.S. troops home? So long as the U.S. troops continue to encroach on our territory, they will have no safety. To recognize the so-called right to defend the safety of U.S. troops in Vietnam is to recognize the extremely brazen right of aggression of the U.S. imperialists.

The U.S. authorities have also claimed that North Vietnam has infringed upon the secret agreement. This is a fabrication. The Americans had agreed to completely and unconditionally stop the airstrikes against the DRV. There is absolutely no secret agreement. The acts of war of the U.S. aggressors in recent days have clearly disclosed the deceitful peace arguments of the Nixon clique, as well as the true faces of the stubborn imperialist aggressors. They are brazenly provoking and arrogantly challenging the peace and justice-loving peoples worldwide.

Along with the extremely serious acts of war against North Vietnam, the Americans are actively stepping up their Vietnamization plan in South Vietnam, intensifying B-52 airstrikes with the most violent and largest scale attacks ever known in Laos. They have ordered the Saigon puppet troops to attack Cambodia, and have increased U.S. military aid to the Lon Nol clique three times over. All these facts are part of their plot to intensify the U.S. aggressive war in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, with a view to creating a position of military strength, and to retrieve their losing posture on the battlefield.

The piratical acts of the U.S. aggressors have been vigorously checked. Through several phases of violent struggle, the air defense units and the armed forces and people of the various regions have achieved very glorious feats-of-arms, downing 5 jet aircraft and 1 helicopter of the U.S. aggressors and hitting many others. This is an appropriate and punishing blow for the U.S. aggressors. This is also a serious warning for the warlike Nixon clique. This is a victory of vigilance and readiness on the part of the northern armed forces and people. This is a victory of firm determination by all our armed forces and people nationwide to fight and defeat the enemy, to defend the north and to do their utmost for the liberation of South Vietnam.

Our people's anti-U.S. national salvation struggle has won great victories. The U.S. imperialists have sustained serious setbacks, but they are still very stubborn. The Nixon clique is resorting to every scheme including adventurous military acts to retrieve their losing situation. But they are encountering insurmountable difficulties. Our people's resistance, although it will be long and hard, will certainly be victorious. In implementing the sacred testament of President Ho, all our armed forces and people throughout the north will ever sharpen their vigilance and be ready to fight and fight well; to take good preventive measures, and to, together with the kith-and-kin in South Vietnam, completely defeat the U.S. aggressors and their henchmen.

Not long ago, along with the escalation of the fierce attacks against the north, the U.S. imperialists had pushed 500,000 U.S. expeditionary troops to South Vietnam, but they were bitterly defeated. Then, as now, however daring Nixon may be, he will sustain shameful defeats. Nothing can prevent the armed forces and people of both zones, north and south, to closely unite and perseveringly step up their anti-U.S. national salvation struggle till complete victory.

NHAN DAN 22 Nov Editorial

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[22 November NHAN DAN editorial: "Victories For the Spirit of Vigilance and Readiness To Fight"]

[Text] The U.S. imperialists have just committed extremely serious war crimes against the DRV. Yesterday, 21 November, they sent many flights of jets and helicopters to intrude into our airspace in Haiphong, Quang Ninh, Ha Tay, Hoa Binh, Quang Binh, and Ha Tinh; they wantonly struck at a number of populated areas and caused losses of lives and property for our people. An aggressor pilots' detention camp was also hit and a number of them were wounded.

The U.S. aggressors have been dealt the proper punitive blows. With a high spirit of vigilance and combat readiness, of close unity, and of combat, the armed forces and people in these localities scored glorious armed exploits in downing 6 U.S. planes and damaging many others. The northern armed forces' and people's new armed exploits are a serious warning, a stern answer to U.S. Defense Secretary Laird's rude and threatening arguments.

Seriously defeated in both parts of our country, the U.S. imperialists, on 31 October 1968 had to declare a cessation of bombing over the entire territory of the DRV. But since then, they have continuously sent planes to carry out spying activities over almost all of our provinces to bomb and strike populous areas, thus killing or wounding many of our people.

Whenever it commits another barbarous crime, the Nixon administration resorts to the deceitful argument that such an act is done only to protect the lives of U.S. troops in South Vietnam, to retaliate against North Vietnam for its downing of U.S. observation planes, or because we have broken some sacred agreements with it. But the Nixon clique can deceive nobody. Thousands of tons of bombs poured down on Huong Lap, Vinh Linh zone, 34 old men and children in Le Ninh state-farm in Quang Binh, and tens of peasants in Nghe An killed by U.S. rockets and bombs are proof to expose their wicked arguments. The brazen acts yesterday by the U.S. aggressors in the north add up to a criminal indictment to unmask their aggressive and criminal face.

From 0230 hours to noon on 21 November, many flights of U.S. aircraft brazenly violated the airspace of many regions in North Vietnam, and recklessly bombed and strafed the populated areas. With seething anger, our armed forces and people fought firmly and well; they appropriately struck out at the U.S. imperialist aircraft in their new adventurous acts, downing 5 jet aircraft and 1 helicopter, and hitting many others. The achievements of our armed forces and people on 21 November constitute a victory for the great vigilance of our armed forces and people who are ready to fight and fight well day or night. Warning signals were given in time. The enemy aircraft were immediately intercepted by our airdefense fire. The 21 November achievements of our armed forces and people clearly reflect the great unity--a million as one man--of our people's armed forces who are determined to fight the U.S. aggressors to save the country, and to be ready to smash all escalation of the war by the aggressors. Since the beginning of 1970, the north has downed 40 U.S. aircraft. 10 days after Nixon made his speech, on 20 April, enumerating the U.S. global objectives for finding a political solution, the U.S. aggressors repeatedly sent aircraft to strike many northern provinces. The armed forces and people of Quang Binh and Nghe An, in 4 days, 1 to 4 May, downed 13 U.S. aircraft, and recently, after Nixon boastfully launched his new, great 5-point initiative aimed at achieving a lasting peace in Indochina, he immediately sent aircraft to provoke and strike the northern part of our country.

The punitive blow's of the armed forces and people of Ha Tinh in downing one RF-4C reconnaissance aircraft on 13 November and the violent attacks of the armed forces and people of Haiphong, Quang Ninh, Ha Tay, Hoa Binh, Quang Binh and Ha Tinh on 21 November, clearly show that we are always ready to intercept the enemy from whatever direction he may come. Let us hail the achievements of our people's armed forces, of the combatants of our air defense and missile force, who fought very heroically. The U.S. aggressors are still stubbornly clinging to their aggressive designs. Their aircraft and warships have continued to infringe upon the airspace and territorial waters of the northern part of our country. Our armed forces and people throughout the country should be ready to fight the enemy day and night. The people's air-defense tasks, and the task of giving warning signals must be strengthened. Our way of life must be militarized. We severely warn the U.S. imperialists that if they continue to infringe upon the airspace, territory and territorial integrity of our country, they will continue to be punished, and they must be held responsible for all consequences of their reckless acts. Implementing the sacred testament of President Ho, the armed forces and people throughout our country will defy all difficulties and hardships, and will firmly step up their anti-U.S. national salvation resistance to final victory. We call on the world and American public opinion to promptly condemn the barbarous crimes of the U.S. aggressors and to check their extremely dangerous acts of war escalation.

## Nguyen Thanh Le on Laird Denial

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(Statement by the spokesman of the delegation of Government of the DRVN to the Paris conference on Viet Nam regarding the bellicose and fallacious allegations of Mr. Laird)

[Text] Following the intrusions into the airspace and the air attacks on November 21, 1970, against many populated places of Hai Phong, Quang Ninh, Ha Tay, Hoa Binh, Ha Tinh, and Quang Binh provinces of the DRVN, on November 22, 1970, the Nixon administration again dispatched a great number of planes to raid many places on the DRVN territory. In an attempt to justify these extremely serious acts of war, U.S. Defense Secretary Melvin Laird, on November 21, 1970, issued two statements fallaciously saying that the so-called protective reaction attacks were made under the policy of resolutely defending American lives, as reprisals against the shooting at American unarmed reconnaissance planes. Mr. Laird said that the United States had the right to carry out protective reaction flights to protect the lives of American pilots who fly unarmed reconnaissance missions over North Vietnam and to prevent the transport of military supplies to South Vietnam. In order to soothe American and world public opinion, Mr. Laird said that the raids on November 21 would be limited in time and would end at 23 hours GMT on that day. However, Mr. Laird threatened that the United States would take necessary measures of riposte for the protection of the pilots of unarmed reconnaissance planes.

In order to reduce the extreme gravity of the November 21, 1970 acts of war against the DRVN, Mr. Laird denied that the United States had attacked a number of places in the region of Hai Phong, Quang Ninh, Ha Tay, Hoa Binh and near Hanoi, and a detention (?camp) of American captured pilots in the above-mentioned area.

The delegation of the Government of the DRVN to the Paris conference on Vietnam resolutely and totally rejects these bellicose, insolent, and deceptive statements of Mr. Laird's.

Once again, it reaffirms that there is no understanding whatsoever permitting U.S. reconnaissance flights in the DRVN air space. This is mere fallacy fabricated by the U.S. aggressors' imagination. Pretending that the United States has the right to carry out the so-called protective reaction flights to defend the lives of American pilots who fly reconnaissance missions over North Viet Nam, and to prevent the transport of military supply to South Viet Nam, the Nixon administration has proved to be odious and obstinate aggressors and bellicists. [as received] The Vietnamese people and the Government of the DRVN have clearly stated that the United States is the aggressor against South Viet Nam, that consequently the entire Vietnamese people have the right and the sacred duty to fight U.S. aggression for national salvation. So long as the United States pursues its aggression against South Viet Nam, the entire Vietnamese people will resolutely carry on their fight against aggression until they achieve their objectives of independence and freedom. The DRVN is an independent and sovereign country. Any encroachment upon its sovereignty and security, no matter on what parallel, has been and will continue to be deservedly punished.

The size and the extent of the U.S. air attacks against many places, including those in the surroundings of Hanoi, have laid bare the adventurous policy and the extreme gravity of the Nixon administration's acts of war against the DRVN.

Therefore, Mr. Laird's endeavours to deny the facts and to affirm that the air raids took place only south of the 19th Parallel are nothing but efforts to cover up the crimes of the Nixon administration. It should be pointed out that the November 21, 1970 air attacks caused dozens of victims among the Vietnamese civilian population in the region of Hai Phong, Quang Ninh, Ha Tay, Hoa Binh and the surroundings of Hanoi. A number of American pilots detained in a camp situated in the same region and hit by the raid were also wounded. Mr. Laird cannot deny all these facts. The AFP correspondent in Hanoi reported that the rumbling of guns and the explosion of bombs were heard in nearby Hanoi from 0230 to 0330 hrs, November 21, 1970.

Mr. Laird's words that the attacks were limited in the time are (?not) different from Mr. Johnson's about attacks limited in space aimed at deceiving and soothing American and world public opinion. The continuous air raids on November 21, 1970 and the fierce air attacks on Sunday morning, November 22, 1970 by a great number of U.S. aircraft against (?many) regions of the DRVN have proved that (?the) Nixon administration has become more and more frenzied and bellicose. Mr. Laird's statements that the United States would continue these attacks when necessary show that the Nixon administration refuses to put an end to its adventurous policy and its criminal acts of war against the DRVN. Its continuance of war against the DRVN on November 21 and 22 and Mr. Laird's insolent statements constitute an intolerable provocation against the Vietnamese people, the American people and the world people.

The Government of the DRVN and the entire Vietnamese people severely warn the Nixon administration against these acts of war and any encroachment on the sovereignty and security of the DRVN, which seriously threaten the Paris conference on Viet Nam. The Nixon administration has to bear full responsibility for all the consequences arising from its actions.

Paris, November 22 1970.

#### Day of Victory

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[Unattributed commentary: "A Day of Big Victory in the Great Rear"]

[Text] With the guns attacking the enemy echoing throughout the battlefields in the three countries of Indochina, today--21 November--is a day of big victory for the North Vietnamese army and people" Six U.S. pirate aircraft were shot down and many others damaged.

The golden scoreboard of armed exploits of the great rear has registered 3,370 U.S. pirate planes brought down over the north.

Greatly encouraged, we warmly welcome the anti-aircraft and other armed forces and the people in local areas in the north who have shown their high combat readiness, their determination to fight and win, and their solidarity and close coordination, and who have immediately punished the U.S. aggressors.

We welcome the compatriots and fighters in Ha Tinh and Quang Binh who, together with the army and people of Military Zone 4, stubbornly fought with efficiency and won great victories during the 4 years of struggle against the U.S. war of destruction, and who, again today, dealt hard blows to the U.S. bandit air force.

Our army and people of the great rear have once again shown their iron-like determination to defend the north, and, side by side with the kith-and-kin South Vietnamese compatriots and fighters and with the fraternal Laotian and Cambodian peoples, to persist in and step up the resistance to U.S. aggression until complete victory.

We once again sternly serve this severe warning to the stubborn and reckless U.S. aggressors: Any adventurous military action carried out by them will be severely punished by the army and people of North Vietnam as well as throughout our country.

If they cause one crime, they will have to pay for it five or 10 times.

Although heavily defeated, the U.S. imperialists remain very stubborn and reckless. After many days of preparing public opinion, putting forth all kinds of insolent and deceitful arguments, today they resorted to an extremely serious act of war which infringed on the sovereignty and security of the DRV, committing new crimes against our compatriots in the north.

For all of these crimes, U.S. Defense Secretary Laird, after admitting the criminal U.S. acts, still falsely maintained that the attacks were in retaliation, that they are acts of a self-defense nature, of a limited duration, and so forth.

It is clear that this is an argument of a bandit who commits forcible robbery while calling for help.

The U.S. bandits' extremely serious act of war did not in the least intimidate our people. Their deceitful arguments cannot in the least fool anyone. On the contrary, they only arouse the vigorous anger of the army and people of our entire nation and cause our army and people to further increase their vigilance and combat readiness, determined to fight and to win.

We defeated the United States in the 4-year resistance to its war of destruction and now we will further raise our fighting determination; we now have sufficient forces and (?potential) to defeat them under any circumstances,

Constantly vigilant and ready to fight, with proper fighting and (?defense) plans, and drawing experiences in time from each battle, the local army and people in the north and all of our people's armed forces will certainly crush all adventurous military acts carried out by the U.S. imperialists.

Nothing is more precious than independence and freedom. Implementing President Ho's sacred will, although we may have to undergo new sacrifices in terms of property and lives, the army and people of our entire nation are determined to persist in and step up the struggle against U.S. aggression, for national salvation, until the day of complete victory.

#### Armed Exploit

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[Commentary: "An armed exploit through vigilance and combat readiness and an appropriate punishing blow dealt to the stubborn, adventurous U.S. pirates"]

[Text] Despite their serious defeats on the battlefields of the 3 Indochinese countries, the U.S. imperialists have unceasingly revealed their stubborn and warlike nature.

After administering a series of plots designed to prepare public opinion and to prepare acts of war, and after continuously sending spy aircraft to carry out provocative acts and to intrude into DRV airspace, early this morning, 21 November, the U.S. pirates took another step along their path of crimes against our northern people. They sent aircraft to intrude into the airspace of Haiphong, Quang Ninh, Ha Tay and Hoa Binh. These aircraft carried out provocative activities and struck at a number of populated areas, inflicting some casualties on our compatriots. One aggressor pilot detention camp was also hit and a number of aggressor pilots were wounded.

As pointed out in the VPA High Command communique, this was an extremely serious act of war on the part of the U.S. imperialists and encroached upon the DRV sovereignty and security. This extremely serious act of war has exposed every deceitful, insolent argument advanced by U.S. Defense Secretary Laird and company who, in recent days, have babbled that they have only conducted "reconnaissance missions" and that these missions "do not represent acts of violence."

This extremely serious act of war also has exposed the sinister designs concocted by Nixon and company who, despite their serious defeats, have been intent on embarking on new military adventures. The stubborn, adventurous U.S. pirates really deserve punishment and were appropriately punished for their criminal acts. Another 4 U.S. aircraft were blown to pieces in the northern airspace. This punishing blow again warned the U.S. imperialists that any adventurous military acts on their part against our north will certainly be vigorously and resolutely countered by the northern armed forces and people and the armed forces and people throughout our country.

We warmly hail the armed forces and people of the localities which highly demonstrated their vigilance, combat readiness, and determination to fight and win, which insured close unity and coordination, and which won a new, glorious victory.

The enemy attempted to take advantage of the night. But our armed forces and people--with calm and maintaining constant combat readiness--checked the criminal act of the U.S. pirates.

Heightening their determination to fight and their revolutionary vigilance, assiduously improving their combat comportment, and having plans to fight the enemy and to take satisfactory precautionary and evasive measures everywhere and under all circumstances, the armed forces and people of various localities in our north will certainly direct even more serious, punishing blows at the adventurous U.S. aggressors.

#### World Protest

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[Text] U.S. air strikes against North Vietnam on November 21 have touched off strong protests among public opinion in the United States and rest of the world.

Senate Democratic Party Leader Mike Mansfield of Montana said Saturday: "American bombing attacks on North Vietnam targets means a resurgence of hostility that possible delays the settlement of the war." Meanwhile, Senator McGovern found that the recent U.S. bombardments and Melvin Laird's statement are unimaginable.

In a commentary Saturday, the Soviet TASS agency strongly condemned the U.S. for its fresh air attacks against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and stressed that this constituted a serious provocation and the materialization of Laird's threat against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. This, TASS pointed out, further exposes Washington's peaceful statement and shows that the United States is planning to continue the war.

For its part, the Political Bureau of the French Communist Party Saturday issued a statement strongly condemning this new move of the U.S. against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam as a serious act of aggression.

#### Further Reportage

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[Text] Hanoi, VNA, November 23--The serious acts of war taken by the U.S. against the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam on November 21 have aroused high indignation throughout the world.

The Soviet agency TASS on November 21 issued a commentary saying that the bombings and strafings of the territory of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam on November 21 was a "serious act of provocation" in execution of the threat made by U.S. Defence Secretary Melvin Laird recently.

The agency emphasized that these military activities contradicted Washington's official declarations on its "peace intentions" in Viet Nam, and that the United States plans "to make the war continue." TASS added that this "obstinate pursuit of aggression" would only bring Washington further setbacks in Viet Nam, and heavier defeats than those in the past.

On November 22 the "PEOPLE'S DAILY" in China frontpaged the full text of the statement of the D.R.V.N. Ministry for Foreign Affairs on the U.S. air attacks on November 21 on the densely populated areas of the D.R.V.N., and the communique of the Viet Nam People's Army commander in chief on the feats of arms recorded by the Viet Nam armed forces and people who shot down 6 pirate aircraft of the aggressors. The paper also ran an editorial entitled "The Vietnamese People Fight Very Well," sternly condemning the U.S. crimes on November 21 against the Vietnamese people, and denouncing Laird's gangsterish theory of "retaliation." The editorial warmly welcomed the exploits recorded by the Vietnamese armed forces and people who shot down 6 U.S. pirate planes, and voiced the resolute support of the Chinese people to the resistance war against the U.S. aggression, for national salvation of the three countries in Indochina.

The paper said: "The fact that U.S. imperialism sent aircraft to encroach upon the D.R.V.N. is a piratic act against which the Vietnamese people naturally have the right to hit back. Now, U.S. imperialism is pretexting the "defence" of this piratic act to carry out its air attacks on a large scale. According to this logic, U.S. imperialism is allowed to carry out aggression while the Vietnamese people are not allowed to fight back. If not, the U.S. may go on indefinitely with the so-called "retaliation." In other words, this logic means that if the people victim of aggression dare protest U.S. imperialism will continue its aggression."

The paper continued: "No frenzied act nor arrogant threat of U.S. imperialism can shake the iron determination of the Vietnamese people to persevere in and push ahead their fight against U.S. aggression, for national salvation aimed at liberating South Viet Nam, defending the north and proceeding toward the reunification of the country. The Chinese people firmly support that just stand of the D.R.V.N. Government and the Vietnamese people."

The Bulgarian paper "RABOTNICHESKO DELO" (WORKERS CAUSE) organ of the Bulgarian Communist Party, said on Nov 22: "All sober-minded people know that the bombings on the territory of the D.R.V.N. and the killings of women and children are not means to 'defend' the American occupationist troops. Realities have proved it to Washington in the past years when it rained hundreds of thousands of tons of bombs on the D.R.V.N."

The paper went on: "The recent air strikes against the territory of the D.R.V.N. have unmasked the true colors of the U.S. aggressors. They have grossly violated the responsibility that [they] had assumed on November 1st, 1968 on the cessation of all aggressive acts against the D.R.V.N. At present while its empty talks of 'good will for peace' are being fully exposed, Washington once again tries to act from a 'position of strength' and stubbornly refuses to acknowledge that this line is at the root of the political and military setback of the U.S. in its adventure in Viet Nam".

The Political Bureau of the French Communist Party Central Committee on November 21 issued a statement protesting against the U.S. aerial aggression against the D.R.V.N. On November 21, according to AFP, the statement said the scale of the American operation showed that it was a "very grave aggression aimed at the vital, highly populated areas" of North Viet Nam.

REUTER on November 21 said that Senator George McGovern, South Dakota Democrat, described the U.S. air attacks in North Viet Nam as beyond belief. It is sheer folly to believe anything can be accomplished by renewing them (the bombings), he said.

Senate Majority Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield said the attacks represented a "renewed U.S. involvement in Viet Nam".

#### Conference Boycott

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[Text] Paris, 23 Nov--The North Vietnamese delegation will not attend the next session of the conference scheduled for Wednesday.

#### U.S. CONTINUES FABRICATIONS ON RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS

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[Commentary: "The U.S. Aggressors Continue To Tell Lies"]

[Text] Stubbornness, insolence, and shamelessness are the U.S. aggressors' inherent character. After our armed forces and people energetically condemned and categorically refuted the nonsensical statements of U.S. Defense Secretary Laird and the U.S. State Department spokesman--statements that were designed to harm our people and to prepare public opinion for the Americans to pursue and intensify their war acts against the DRV. At the 92d session of the Paris conference on Vietnam U.S. chief negotiator Bruce again uttered a trashy statement. He shamelessly said that U.S. reconnaissance flights over the DRV were not acts of violence.

Bruce insolently stated that the flights are necessary for the security of American troops in South Vietnam. We ask Bruce to tell us who allowed the Americans to send aircraft to violate DRV airspace? Who permitted the Americans to send their troops across the Pacific Ocean to invade our country? Because they have sustained painful blows, they are demanding safety for their country-grabbing armed forces.

In his 14 November statement, our Foreign Ministry spokesman again pointed out that the U.S. Air Force violation of the DRV airspace is a violation of DRV independence and sovereignty. It is also a violation of international law, and a vile challenge to the justice- and peace-loving people throughout the world. Our armed forces and people have demonstrated our steel-like determination and we warn the U.S. aggressors that we will resolutely preserve our sacred, legitimate rights to self-defense in order to protect our country's independence and security.

We resolutely and severely punish all provocative and aggressive act of the Americans against our country's airspace, territorial waters, and territory. If the U.S. imperialists recklessly resort to adventurous military tricks against the northern part of our country they will sustain our extremely vigorous counterblows and they will have to bear full responsibility for the serious consequences caused by them.

The only way to insure the safety of the U.S. piratical armed forces is to immediately and completely withdraw them from South Vietnam. The American aggressors' nonsensical and insolent statements can in no way threaten our armed forces and people. On the contrary, they have deepened the hatred among our armed forces and people for them and have heightened our fighting morale and vigilance. We are ready to smash the Americans' aggressive schemes.

~~COMMUNIQUE ISSUED ON VISIT OF PENN NOUTH TO DRV~~

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(Communique on Samdech Penn Nouth's visit to D.R.V.N.)

[Text] Hanoi VNA November 22--At the invitation of Premier of the D.R.V.N. Government Pham Van Dong, Samdech Penn Nouth, chairman of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the National United Front of Kampuchea and prime-minister of the Royal Government of the National Union of Cambodia, and Mme Penn Nouth, paid a visit to the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam from November 12 to 21, 1970.

There were accompanied by General Duong Sam Ol, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the National United Front of Kampuchea and minister of military equipment and armament, and Mme Duong Dam Ol; Thiounn Mumm, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the N.U.F.K. and minister of economy and finance; Keat Chhon, candidate member and secretary of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the N.U.F.K. and minister of the premier's office; Hak Seang Layny, member of the Central Committee of the N.U.F.K. and vice-minister of foreign affairs; Heng Pich, member of the Central Committee of the N.U.F.K. and vice-minister of military equipment and armament; Sian An, member of the Central Committee of the N.U.F.K. and ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Cambodia to the D.R.V.N.; and Ken Aun, secretary general of the Ministry of Popular Education and Youth.

President Ton Duc Thang, president of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam and president of the Viet Nam Fatherland Front Central Committee, received Samdech Penn Nouth, chairman of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the N.U.F.K. and prime-minister, and his party.

Le Duan, first secretary of the Central Committee of the Viet Nam Workers Party, had cordial conversations with Samdech Penn Nouth.

Prime Minister Samdech Penn Nouth conveyed to President Ton Duc Thang wishes of good health from Head of State Samdech Norodom Sihanouk and his sincere gratitude to the D.R.V.N. leaders and Vietnamese people for their firm and vigorous support to the patriotic struggle of the Khmer people.