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VIETNAM NAVY COMMANDER URGES NAVYMEN TO FIGHT HARD

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[Text] Saigon (VP) April 3--Vice-Admiral Chung Tan Cang, commander of the Vietnam navy Thursday called upon navymen to keep on vigilantly fighting, protecting people's lives and properties.

In an order of the day released Thursday afternoon, the Vietnam navy commander asked navymen to best support the evacuation of refugees, while maintaining discipline and fortitude to smash all enemy schemes.

Following is the full text of order of the day:

Dear navymen of all ranks: Our country is in a critical phase in the face of communist peril.

The North Vietnamese communists and their lackeys have used a very tricky scheme of bringing in their sappers to stage subversive acts and turned the innocent people into a screen veiling their invasion of the RVN.

More than ever, discipline and calm are two primary factors which we must have to withstand effectively and crush enemy plots.

The enemy is not so strong as they boast, but the lack of fighting determination and endurance poses a real problem. Decidedly you all have plenty of determination and endurance to contribute to the national defense and protection of people.

Offshore the RVN, like shuttles going back and forth, our warships weave a security net and assure the evacuation of refugees. As a result, hundreds of thousand people were brought to safety.

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Our force also found and nabbed communist sappers fully armed and carrying explosives as they mingled with crowds of refugees for instigating the masses and for terrorism. This is a good point I notice and for which I congratulate you.

As the navy commander, I believe you hold good faith in the national future and you serve the just cause, **highlighting the flag**, the uniform and the prestige of the armed services.

Best wishes for success.