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Polish Leader Claims U.S. Won't Negotiate

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Polish Foreign Minister Adam Rapacki said in an interview published in Warsaw yesterday that all signs indicated that the United States was opposed to Vietnam peace talks at present.

He described as "something worse than empty phrases" past U.S. declarations that it would stop bombing North Vietnam if Hanoi gave only one signal that this would open the way to negotiations.

Rapacki added, "The government of the United States knows also quite well today that unconditional stopping of the bombing . . . is the only and real way leading presently to negotiations.

"In spite of this, it does not cease the bombings. Everything therefore indicates that the American government does not want negotiations at present. It does not want peace in Vietnam," he said.

Rapacki was interviewed by two correspondents of the Polish Communist Party newspaper, Trybuna Ludu.

North Vietnam offered last week to begin peace talks if the United States ends its

bombing of the North and all other acts of war.

In The Hague, meanwhile, the Dutch government urged the United States to approach the Hanoi offer "as positively as possible," a Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

The Dutch appeal stopped short of asking the United States to halt its bombing of North Vietnam. West Germany's Willy Brandt and other leaders of the Social Democratic Party yesterday appealed for an immediate end to the bombing.

The Dutch spokesman said a note handed to the U.S. ambassador referred to the "possible" willingness of North Vietnam to hold negotiations.

In Manila, President Ferdinand E. Marcos warned that "imported war" would sweep Asia if the United States and its allies pull out of Vietnam.

In an interview, the Philippine President said the loss of Vietnam to communism would shake the foundations of Southeast Asia and push the fence-sitters to the side of Communist China.

Foreign Secretary George Brown of Britain said yesterday he would discuss Vietnam peace moves at a meeting in Washington next Thursday with Secretary of State Dean Rusk.

Brown said a major topic would be North Vietnam's offer of last week. The British diplomat said he would stop in Washington en route back to London from a trip to Tokyo. He left London for the Japanese capital yesterday, and said Vietnam was on the agenda in his appointments with Prime Minister Eisaku Sato and Foreign Minister Takeo Miki.