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DRV EMBASSY IN PEKING REJECTS REPORT ON PEACE COMMENTS

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[Text] Hanoi VNA October 24--The press bureau of the DRV Embassy in the People's Republic of China yesterday issued a statement refuting an unfounded report by the REUTER correspondent in Peking.

The statement reads: "In connection with the report made by the correspondent of REUTER in Peking on 21 October about 'North Vietnamese diplomats in Peking' having said on the evening of the same day that 'a major development was possible in the next 2 or 3 days' and about the lot of Nguyen Van Thieu, etc., the press bureau of the DRV Embassy in Peking is authorized to declare that this report is a sheer fabrication."