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USSR, PRC STILL URGE 'SUBORDINATES' TO COMMIT CRIMES

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[Excerpts] While the RVN Government and people have done their best to completely end the war and consolidate the precarious peace brought about by the Paris agreement into a lasting peace, the communist side has paid no heed to implementing a peaceful line. With the possibility of a resumption of the war by the communists looming larger and larger, the prospects for peace are facing the danger of being destroyed.

We have repeatedly warned the North Vietnamese communist party and state leaders that they must bear full responsibility before history and the people for attempting to renew the war and for causing suffering and mourning to the RVN people, as well as the northern compatriots. We have also repeatedly reminded the international communist forces of their duty to end the war and maintain peace in accordance with the guidelines for easing international tension, which they have professed to advocate. Despite these warnings by the peace-loving RVN people and all other peace-loving peoples in the world, the communist imperialists led by the Soviet Union and Red China have implicitly persisted in encouraging their reactionary subordinates to commit crimes.

The Soviet Union and Red China cannot deny their responsibility for a resumption of the war in this region, because, as everyone knows only too well, the root cause of a renewed war is the gigantic volume of war materiel that they have provided for the North Vietnamese party and state. The Soviet Union and Red China must be held responsible, not as accomplices, but rather as coperpetrators of war crimes.

The representative of the bellicose North Vietnamese authorities recently implored the U.S. secretary of state to meet with him, allegedly to examine the military and political situation in the RVN. As a matter of course, the RVN Government, armed forces and people, as peace-loving nationalist combatants, never object to any effort to contribute to consolidating peace in Vietnam. However, the warmongers must definitely end the war first. Only then can peace hopefully be consolidated. Otherwise, all words, no matter how flowery or conciliatory they may sound, are empty words.

## RVN QUESTIONS DRV MOTIVES IN KISSINGER-THO TALKS

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[Unattributed commentary]

[Text] The 28th meeting between U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and North Vietnam's Le Duc Tho, member of the Political Bureau of the VWP Central Committee, in Paris today, 20 December, is certainly a current event of public concern and interest. One must ask the reason for this meeting.

First of all, the reason is because communist North Vietnam requested it. And what was the reason for or the aim behind this request? What will the outcome be?

It is necessary to stress that the RVN Government was informed of this meeting. And we see no obstacle. Moreover, we hope that the meeting will possibly achieve some good results in restoring peace in Vietnam, because the communists have destroyed peace since the agreement was signed and went into effect.

On the flaming battlefield of Republic of Vietnam, the communists have so far violated the cease-fire more than 32,000 times, and their attacks have increased in number and in intensity. From their cease-fire violations at Le Minh, Bach Ma, Bu Prang, Bu Dong, Dak Song, Kieu Duc, Cai Lay, and elsewhere, one can see that the communists have intensified their aggressive acts and systematically sabotaged the cease-fire. Recently, they fired at Four-Party JMC team helicopters operating at Binh Chanh, Gia Dinh Province, savagely killing two of the team members.

In addition, communist North Vietnam has intensified its military activities in the RVN, infiltrating hundreds of thousands of troops and thousands of tanks and heavy guns into South Vietnam since the cease-fire went into effect and striving to build or repair 12 airfields, communications lines, and logistical bases on South Vietnamese soil.

In brief, communist North Vietnam has brutally repressed the desire for peace of the Vietnamese people and the people of all the world. In escalating their cease-fire violations to pave the way for a strategic offensive, the communists have aroused world-wide indignation. The communists must not be allowed to once more plunge their bloodstained hands into blood. More than anyone else, the communists know this and see that they cannot remain stubborn before the wave of world-wide indignation. In requesting a meeting with the United States today, communist North Vietnam hoped to sooth and deceive public opinion which is concerned about peace in this land.

So far, there has been no sign that communist North Vietnam genuinely wants peace. The communists' words continue to reek of blood and iron, and their acts reveal their bellicose and savage nature. All this was reflected in Le Duc Tho's statement on his arrival at the Le Bourget Airport, which once again reveals that communist North Vietnam and its tool, the NFLSV, are planning to launch a strategic offensive in South Vietnam. Tho asserted communist North Vietnam's full support for all military activities of the NFLSV in South Vietnam.

Thus, the meeting between Le Duc Tho and U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger today will hardly mark a turning point in the restoration of peace in South Vietnam and change the thinking of the Hanoi butchers. Even analysts of international current events have warned that the United States may be deceived once again after it was deceived last June when it signed the joint communique.