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[Station commentary: "U.S.-Thieu Remain Stubborn"]

[Text] At the JMC meeting which have been held since the talks were resumed on 11 June 1974, the U.S.-Saigon administration side has completely exposed its scheme to use the conference table as a screen to mislead public opinion and cover up its continued intensification of war and sabotage of the Paris agreement and the joint communique on Vietnam.

On the one hand, they have contended that they are concerned over the cease-fire, but on the other hand, they have tried every means to evade its legal responsibility in implementing the privileges and immunities reserved for the PRGRSV and DRV delegations. In particular, they have always used insolent language to slander and attack the PRGRSV and the DRV Government at all the sessions, especially in the so-called seven-page statement issued by the U.S. Embassy in Saigon on 18 June. The U.S.-Saigon Administration side has repeated shopworn slanderous allegations, saying that North Vietnam has stepped up its military attacks in a bid to conquer South Vietnam by military forces and that the communists have not negotiated seriously. It also impudently claims that the PRGRSV is only an adjunct of Hanoi. Its purpose is to distort the truth and the reason for the current tense situation in South Vietnam.

The 15 June 1974 memorandum of the PRGRSV Foreign Ministry to the participants of the international conference on Vietnam and the ICCS clearly asserts that, in defiance of the provisions of the Paris agreement and the 13 June 1973 joint communique, the United States has become ever more deeply involved militarily and has interfered ever more brazenly in South Vietnam's internal affairs systematically undermining the Paris agreement and the joint communique, causing the situation in South Vietnam at present to become extremely dangerous and seriously threatening peace in Vietnam, Indochina and Southeast Asia.

The more than 1 million tons of bombs and ammunition; nearly 2 million tons of fuel; more than 1,000 tanks and armored vehicles; more than 200 warships and boats; nearly 700 various types of planes including 80 F-5Es; and more than 25,000 U.S. military personnel in civilian disguise illegally introduced into South Vietnam, along with a command system to guide the Nguyen Van Thieu administration in continuing the war; can only partially reflect the U.S. scheme to continue its military involvement and interference in South Vietnam's internal affairs.

In addition, there are still other billions of dollars in military and economic aid given to Thieu--totally at variance with article 14 of the Paris agreement--to enable him to purchase, use and maintain modern armaments and equipment, pay the local army of more than 1 million men and maintain a coercive and repressive machine of hundreds of thousands of members, and so forth. All this is aimed at maintaining and using the lackey Nguyen Van Thieu clique as a tool to continue the war and pile up more crimes against the South Vietnamese people.

Supported and abetted by the United States, Nguyen Van Thieu has clamored about and intensified the war in an increasingly bellicose manner; repeatedly launched hundreds of thousands of land-grabbing, police and pacification operations; and has carried out bombing and strafing against the PRGRSV's liberated zone including several bombing missions executed by F-5Es piloted by Americans. Thieu himself has shamelessly stated that his clique has prepared Vietnamese blood and bones to implement U.S. scheme and the United States needs only to provide dollars and weapons.

As the PRGRSV Foreign Ministry memorandum asserted, the root cause of the very dangerous situation in South Vietnam at present and all the sufferings and disasters of the South Vietnamese people is precisely the unchanged policy of the Nixon administration which continues to use the Nguyen Van Thieu administration to wage the war and sabotage the Paris agreement in a bid to impose U.S. neocolonialism on South Vietnam and perpetuate the partition of Vietnam.

Obviously, the fact that the United States and the Nguyen Van Thieu administration have hurled odious slanders against the PRGRSV and the DRV Government during the recent meetings, and particularly in the recent so-called statement of the U.S. Embassy in Saigon, is merely an act of a thief crying stop thief. Because of their adherence to the policy of war, the United States and the Thieu administration are still plotting to sabotage and paralyze the joint military organizations and refuse to implement the privileges and immunities so that they can carry out sabotage whenever they please. The United States and the Saigon administration must bear the entire responsibility for the deadlock of the joint military organizations as well as for the present extremely dangerous situation in South Vietnam which is caused by their actions.