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PRG MINISTRY SPOKESMAN 18 JULY STATEMENT ON AERIAL RECONNAISSANCE  
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((TEXT)) ON 18 JULY 1974, THE PRGRSV FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN  
ISSUED A STATEMENT ON THE SENDING OF AIRCRAFT BY THE UNITED  
STATES AND SAIGON ADMINISTRATION TO RECONNOITER THE LIBERATED ZONE.  
THE STATEMENT SAYS:

IN RECENT DAYS, THE UNITED STATES AND THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU  
ADMINISTRATION HAVE REPEATEDLY SENT RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT TO  
INTRUDE INTO THE PRGRSV-CONTROLLED ZONE. ESPECIALLY SERIOUS  
WAS THE FACT THAT ON 15 JULY 1974 THEY CONCENTRATED A GREAT NUMBER  
OF AIRCRAFT, INCLUDING OV-10, F-5 AND L-19 AIRCRAFT AND UNMANNED  
PLANES, ON RECONNOITERING VARIOUS AREAS ALONG ROUTE 9, IN CAM  
LO, DONG HA, WESTERN PHONG DIEN, AND SOUTHERN DONG KHE  
TRE AND ALONG ROUTES 73A AND 73B--DEEP IN THE PRGSV-CONTROLLED  
ZONE IN QUANG TRI AND THUA THIEN PROVINCES.

THIS ACTION WAS A GROSS ENCROACHMENT ON THE PRGRSV-CONTROLLED  
ZONE, BRAZENLY VIOLATED THE PARIS AGREEMENT ON VIETNAM AND THE  
13 JUNE 1973 JOINT COMMUNIQUE AND WAS AIMED AT ENCOURAGING AND  
ASSISTING THE SAIGON ARMED FORCES IN PREPARING FOR NEW MILITARY  
ADVENTURES, THUS CAUSING THE ALREADY TENSE SITUATION IN SOUTH  
VIETNAM TO POSSIBLY BECOME VERY DANGEROUS.

THE PRGRSV FOREIGN MINISTRY STERNLY CONDEMNS AND DENOUNCES THE AFOREMENTIONED SCHEME AND ACTION BY THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION AND THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU CLIQUE, AND DEMANDS THAT THEY IMMEDIATELY STOP SENDING AIRCRAFT TO RECONNOITER THE PRGRSV-CONTROLLED ZONE AND STRICTLY AND SCRUPULOUSLY IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT ON VIETNAM AND THE 13 JUNE 1973 JOINT COMMUNIQUE.

THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION AND THE NGUYEN VAN THIEU CLIQUE MUST BE HELD ENTIRELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL THE GRAVE CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR VIOLATIONS. 180508 T/DRAKE 180650 TI