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NHAN DAN 5 JAN ARTICLE DENOUNCES SABOTAGE OF PARIS AGREEMENT

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[Text] Hanoi VNA January 5--The United States and Nguyen Van Thieu have systematically and seriously sabotaged many provisions of the Paris agreement in the past 2 years, (?affirms) the Hanoi paper NHAN DAN today.

The paper, quoting a special communique released on January 1st, by the Committee to Denounce War Crimes Committed by the U.S. Imperialists and Their Henchmen in South Vietnam, notes that in the two years ending December 20, 1974, the U.S.-Thieu conducted 58,717 land-usurping operations and more than 40,000 air sorties against PRG-held areas.

The paper goes on: The Thieu administration also launched 378,526 police and pacification raids in the areas under its control, arresting tens of thousands of civilians... What is more, Saigon is still illegally detaining more than 200,000 political prisoners. So far, about only two percent of the Saigon-detained civilian personnel has been returned while some 60,000 other civilians have been arrested. These facts have exploded the slanderous allegations freshly uttered by the Ford administration and its henchmen in Saigon in an attempt to shirk their responsibility for the serious situation in South Vietnam, NHAN DAN points out.

The paper says: It is obvious that the U.S. and the Thieu administration are breaking the ceasefire and undermining peace by launching a neo-colonialist war. It is equally clear that the U.S.-Thieu clique are blatantly trampling underfoot the provisions of the Paris agreement which provide for the achievement of the fundamental national rights of Vietnam, and the imperative demand of the South Vietnamese people for peace, independence, democracy, and national reconciliation and concord. It is none other than the Nguyen Van Thieu clique which has, on U.S. orders, blocked all serious negotiations for the settlement of the internal affairs of South Vietnam in the spirit of national reconciliation and concord. This same junta has taken the path of war. It is stifling every democratic freedom, mercilessly repressing patriots and all other advocates of peace and national concord, including the third political force. The areas under its control have been turned into regular concentration camps.

The paper continues: So long as the U.S. maintains its military involvement and intervention in South Vietnam, and so long as Thieu and his gang remain in power, the Paris agreement will still be in jeopardy, and peace and national concord cannot be achieved. To the world public, we strongly denounce the Ford administration and the Nguyen Van Thieu administration for continuing the war with multiplying crimes against the Vietnamese people. They must bear full responsibility for the continuing war and the ever more serious situation in South Vietnam at present.