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FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN REJECTS STATE DEPT 'SLANDERS'

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[11 March DRV Foreign Ministry spokesman statement]

[Text] On 10 March, the U.S. State Department spokesman again brazenly and slanderously accused the DRV of "massively introducing men and military supplies into South Vietnam," "escalating the fighting in the south" and "gravely violating the Paris agreement on Vietnam."

The DRV Foreign Ministry categorically rejects and sternly condemns this U.S. slander. This is a trick adopted by the Ford administration in an attempt to turn white into black and to deceive U.S. public opinion and the U.S. Congress in order to get supplemental military aid for the Nguyen Van Thieu clique so it can intensify the war in South Vietnam, thus causing the United States to become more deeply involved militarily in that region.

The unswerving stand adopted by the DRV Government and the PRGRSV is to strictly implement the agreement and to struggle resolutely to protect peace and the agreement. However, faced with the situation in which the United States and the Nguyen Van Thieu clique have sabotaged the agreement and intensified the war, the South Vietnamese people and the PLAF have had no alternative but to appropriately counterattack them.

If the U.S. Government and the Nguyen Van Thieu clique stubbornly persist in dashing along the criminal path, they will certainly suffer still heavier setbacks.