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SUBJECT: "PRG" FOREIGN MINISTER COMMENTS ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH
GVN AND POSSIBILITY OF ATTACK ON SAIGON

1. FOLLOWING IS LIGHTLY EDITED EXTRACT FROM TRANSLATION OF RECORDING OF PRESS CONFERENCE HELD BY "PRG" FOREIGN MINISTER NGUYEN THI BINH DURING VISIT TO BRAZZAVILLE APRIL 6 (FBIS AF071833 APR 75): APR. 8 1975

BEGIN TEXT

(UNIDENTIFIED VOICE) IN THE PARIS ACCORDS, THE PRG STRONGLY INSISTED ON THE RESIGNATION OF THE THIEU ADMINISTRATION. WHEN, RECENTLY, THERE WAS A COLLECTIVE RESIGNATION IN THE THIEU ADMINISTRATION, HE RECOMMENDED THE POLICY OF NEGOTIATIONS.

WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THIS POLICY?

(BINH) I THINK THAT IS A DECEITFUL ATTITUDE BECAUSE, IN FACT, THIEU IS STILL PROSECUTING THE WAR. IT IS A POLICY AIMED AT SABOTAGING THE PARIS ACCORDS. THE PEOPLE ARE DETERMINED TO HAVE A CHANGE AND WANT THE OVERTHROW OF THIEU SO THAT OTHER POLITICAL FORCES AND ESTABLISH A GOVERNMENT THAT WILL BE IN FAVOR OF THE PARIS AGREEMENTS.

(UNIDENTIFIED VOICE) (INDISTINCT)
(BINH) MANY FRIENDS HAVE ASKED ME THE QUESTION. THE CAPTURE OF SAIGON WILL MEAN A TOTAL VICTORY. AT PRESENT OUR POLICY IS TO FORCE THE UNITED STATES AND THE SAIGON ADMINISTRATION TO RESPECT THE PARIS ACCORDS. OUR EFFORT TO LIBERATE ONE ZONE AFTER ANOTHER IS VERY IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT STRENGTHENS OUR POSITION. FOR NOW, OUR IMMEDIATE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES ARE TO OBTAIN AN END TO THE U.S. MILITARY COMMITMENT IN VIETNAM AND THE OVERTHROW OF THIEU SO THAT WE CAN REALLY TALK OF A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT IN SOUTH VIETNAM. END TEXT

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