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PRG JUSTICE MINISTER COMMENTS ON THIEU REGIME, FUTURE RELATIONS

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[Text] PRGRSV Minister of Justice Truong Nhu Tang, granted an interview to AL-SHA'BI which was published today. The Vietnamese minister answered a number of questions dealing with the recent events in South Vietnam and future PRGRSV relations with all peace-loving and democratic peoples.

To a question related to compliance with international law in the light of current changes in the world, he said: I believe that all of humanity is now experiencing heroic revolutionary times which are prominent in reinforcing the ranks of socialist countries, expanding the national liberation movements of the oppressed peoples, and increasing the economic and political awareness of the Third World countries. These revolutionary times also contribute to the development of the peace and democratic movements in the capitalist countries and throughout the world. In view of all the profound changes in the world, we conclude that it is natural that order will emerge in the form of new international legislation that will comply with those changes.

As to the PRGRSV's view toward the Saigon administration which has started to talk about the formation of "a national alliance government," Nhu Tang said: The Paris agreement clearly stipulates that the South Vietnam question should be settled between the South Vietnamese parties. But the Thieu gang is an obstacle to the implementation of the Paris agreement. Therefore, it seems natural to remove it in order to make room for an administration that will work for peace, independence and democracy as well as national harmony. It should be prepared to implement the Paris agreement faithfully, (?then) our PRGRSV will negotiate with such an administration to find a peaceful solution to the South Vietnam problems. As for the national alliance government, to which you have referred, we stress our swariness of any American maneuver that may be hatched behind the scenes because we categorically refuse any administration or government formed by American imperialism.

Regarding the fate of the agent Thieu, whom political observers who follow behind-the-scenes affairs have stated is waiting for the "green light" from Washington to flee South Vietnam like Lon Nol fled, he said: The people of South Vietnam do not need "the Thieu light;" they will take care of this in the coming days because the people of South Vietnam are no longer satisfied with the regime of terror, oppression and exploitation adopted by the Nguyen Van Thieu "fascist regime." We are completely sure that all the progressive peoples stand by our struggling people and denounce the actions of the Saigon gladiators who still bargain over their country and (?die) in the service of the forces of evil and imperialism.

Concerning the PRGRSV's future relations with the rest of the world peoples, and in particular the United States and the Soviet Union, the minister said: First and foremost, I would like to express, in the name of the South Vietnamese people and the PRGRSV, our highest appreciation and deepest gratitude and sincere greetings to all fraternal and friendly peoples and governments and to the freedom-, peace- and justice-loving world people who always supported our cause and struggle against U.S. imperialism in the past and our current struggle to maintain the Paris agreement and guarantee its implementation. Our future relations with the world peoples, including those of the United States and the Soviet Union, will come within the framework of the world revolutionary (?mainstream) which derives its strength from peace, democracy and social progress.