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Peking Meeting

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[Text] Peking, December 22, 1972 (HSINHUA)--More than 1,000 young people here held a meeting this afternoon to warmly welcome their South Vietnamese comrades-in-arms from the front of the struggle against U.S. aggression and for national salvation--the delegation of the South Vietnam Youth Union for Liberation led by Nguyen Van Be.

Attending the meeting were Nguyen Van Quang, ambassador of the Republic of South Viet Nam to China, Ngo Thuyen, ambassador of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam to China, and diplomatic officials of the two embassies here.

The official flag of the Republic of South Vietnam and the national flag of China were hung on the backdrop of the rostrum. There was a huge streamer bearing the words: "Firmly Support the Vietnamese People in Their Struggle Against U.S. Aggression and for National Salvation!"

Hsieh Ching-i, member of the Standing Committee of the Peking Municipal Committee of the Communist Party of China, addressed the meeting. She extended a warm welcome to the comrade-in-arms on the South Vietnam youth delegation which has come to pay a friendly visit to China on the occasion of the 12th anniversary of the founding of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation.

In her speech, Hsieh Ching-i praised the South Vietnamese youth fighting heroically at the front line in the great war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation. "Bearing in mind the Vietnamese people's great leader Ho Chi Minh's teaching 'nothing is more precious than independence and freedom'", she added,

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"they devote their militant youthhood to the noble struggle against U.S. aggression and for national salvation. They fear neither sacrifice nor hardships and press boldly forward and fight indomitably. They are willing to shoulder the most dangerous and arduous tasks, displaying the invincible revolutionary heroism characteristic of the great Vietnamese people and youth. The Chinese youth should learn from such heroism and noble quality of the Vietnamese youth".

Comrade Hsieh Ching-i stressed: "In the past few days, U.S. imperialism has flagrantly sent a horde of aircraft on large-scale wanton bombing raids against Hanoi, Haiphong and other areas of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. This fully reveals the perfidy of the U.S. Government and places the already agreed agreement on restoring peace in Vietnam in the danger of being undermined. This constitutes a new towering crime against the Vietnamese people and also a glaring provocation against the people of the whole world."

"The young people of China," she declared, "firmly support the December 20 statement of the Chinese Foreign Ministry, and strongly condemn U.S. imperialism for its barbarous acts in perpetrating and intensifying its war of aggression."

Comrade Hsieh Ching-i said that the Chinese youth stands four square behind Vietnamese people's just struggle and the correct position taken by the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam in the Paris negotiations. We look forward to an early peaceful settlement of the Vietnam question on the basis of respecting the basic national rights of the Vietnamese people. However, if the U.S. clings to its war of aggression, the Vietnamese people will continue to fight and the Chinese people and youth will, as always, go all out to support the Vietnamese people in their war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation till complete victory.

On behalf of the young people of Peking, Comrade Hsieh Ching-i presented the delegation of the South Viet Nam Youth Union for Liberation with a silk banner inscribed with "Long Live the Revolutionary Friendship and Militant Unity of the Young People of China and Vietnam!"

Delegation leader Nguyen Van Be then took the floor. He conveyed to the Chinese youth the cordial regards of the youth of South Vietnam fighting at the forefront of the anti-U.S. struggle.

Nguyen Van Be told the meeting how the young people of all walks of life in South Vietnam, led and educated by the National Front for Liberation and the Provisional Revolutionary Government, have acted in line with President Ho Chi Minh's teachings, enthusiastically joined the army and fought the enemies for national salvation.

Thousands upon thousands of young people, he said, had [been] cited as heroic fighters against U.S. aggressors and heroic fighters with determination to win and made tremendous contributions to the war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation.

Nguyen Van Be sternly denounced U.S. imperialism for the wanton bombing of Hanoi, Haiphong and other cities in North Vietnam, and condemned the U.S. Government for its perfidy in refusing to sign the "agreement on ending the war and restoring peace in Vietnam". He said: "The youth and people of South Vietnam eagerly desire peace, but it must be peace of genuine independence and freedom, not U.S.-type peace of servitude. If the U.S. wants to stop the war, then it must immediately sign the agreement agreed upon on October 20, 1972, and stop its acts of war against both North and South Vietnam, stop war 'Vietnamization' and stop supporting the Vietnamese traitor Nguyen Van Thieu.

"If the U.S. obstinately continues its war, then the youth and people of South Vietnam will, together with their 20 million flesh-and-blood compatriots in the north, advance shoulder to shoulder with the fraternal army-men and civilians of Laos and Cambodia, and with the powerful support of the Chinese youth and people, the youth and people of all other socialist countries and friends on the five continents, we will determinedly hold high the banner of 'firm resolve to fight and win', persist in and vigorously step up the war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation till complete victory is won."

In the name of the South Vietnam Youth Union for Liberation, Nguyen Van Be presented the Chinese youth with a souvenir made of wreckage of a U.S. aircraft shot down by the heroic army-men and civilians of South Vietnam.

Attending the meeting were Shen Chien, a leading member of the International Liaison Department of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party, Ou Tang-liang, Kan Mai, Yu Chung-hao, Hsing Jen-hsien, Chia Hsueh-chien and Tien Shu-chien, leading members of departments concerned, Li Yun-lung, combat hero of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, and Lung Mei, a 19-year-old girl from Inner Mongolia known for her exploits of protecting a herd of sheep in a snow storm together with her younger sister.

Friendship Commune Tour

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[Text] Peking, December 25, 1972 (HSINHUA)--The delegation of the South Vietnam Youth Union for Liberation led by Nguyen Van Be today visited the China-Vietnam Friendship People's Commune on the outskirts of Peking and met young people and other members of the commune.

At a report meeting held in the commune, delegation leader Nguyen Van Be strongly condemned U.S. imperialism for its crimes of renewed wanton bombing of Hanoi, Haiphong and other places. He said that since December 18, U.S. imperialism has sent a great number of aircraft to carry out barbarous raids on Hanoi, Haiphong and many other cities while continuing its blockade against North Vietnam, but it has been given due punishment. In the past few days, the army and people in the north have brought down 47 U.S. planes, including 17 B-52's. He said: "We are greatly elated at and proud of these brilliant victories and regard them as a common victory for the youth and people of both Vietnam and China." He stressed: "If the U.S. Government clings to its war of aggression, the youth and people of South Vietnam are determined to hold high the banner of 'firm resolve to fight and win', persistently and vigorously step up the war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation till complete victory."

Nguyen Thi Tam, member of the delegation, gave an account of her exploits in the fight against the U.S. aggressors and the puppet troops. Early in 1969, she and six other young people were doing mass work in Da Nang. On discovering them, the enemy sent two battalions to encircle them. Nguyen Thi Tam and her comrades fought with wisdom under the cover of the masses, and wiped out 82 U.S. aggressors and puppet soldiers and one villain, and safely returned to their base.

Their reports were warmly applauded. On behalf of the commune members Kuo Shou-heng, chairman of the commune revolutionary committee, pledge to support the Vietnamese people in their war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation with concrete action in grasping revolution and promoting production and growing more grain.

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After the meeting, young people of the commune performed for the Vietnamese comrades-in-arms songs and dances in praise of China-Vietnam friendship. Nguyen Thi Thanh Tuy, member of the delegation, sang the song "Vietnam-China" in Vietnamese and Chinese. The Chinese and Vietnamese comrades then saw a Vietnamese feature film.

Tran Binh, counsellor of the embassy of the Republic of South Vietnam in Peking, was with the delegation on the visit to the commune.

Before the report meeting, the comrades-in-arms from South Vietnam were shown round the commune's farm machinery repair shop, dairy farm, duck farm and pig farm.

Visit to PLA Unit

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[Text] Peking, December 23, 1972 (HSINHUA)--The delegation of the South Vietnam Youth Union for Liberation today visited a unit of the Peking units of the Chinese People's Liberation Army. Delegation leader Nguyen Van Be made a report on the exploits of the army and people of South Vietnam in the war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation.

In his report, Nguyen Van Be told the PLA commanders and fighters his own experience in the war. A political instructor of a battalion of the South Vietnam People's Liberation Armed Forces, he has taken part in more than 100 battles. He has been awarded on many occasions for his meritorious actions and cited as a "heroic fighter against U.S. aggressors" and a "heroic fighter with determination to win". In 1967 he won the honoured title of Hero of the South Vietnam People's Liberation Armed Forces. Nguyen Van Be recalled one of the battles in which his battalion, displaying courage, fearing no sacrifice and using various tactics, defeated a well-equipped U.S. division. He also presented the heroic exploits of Ho Doan Tam, Nguyen Thi Thanh Tuy and Nguyen Thi Tam, members of the delegation.

His report won warm praise from the commanders and fighters. Comrade Li Chen-kuo, who won an Order of Merit, Special Class, in the war of resisting U.S. aggression and aiding Korea, said: "We'll learn from the fraternal Vietnamese people their revolutionary spirit of firm resolve to fight and win, their unyielding heroism and flexible art of fighting, and do our work well."

Before the meeting, the South Vietnamese comrades-in-arms, in the company of Chu Chia-li [2612 1367 4409], deputy chief of staff of the PLA Peking units, and Ting Yu-hai, deputy political commissar of a PLA unit, visited the club and dormitories of an infantry company which distinguished itself in the Korean War, and saw a shooting exhibition given by the fighters.

PEKING PLA UNITS ENTERTAIN VIETNAMESE GUESTS

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[Text] Peking, December 23, 1972 (HSINHUA)--A tank unit of the Peking units of the Chinese People's Liberation Army held a meeting today warmly celebrating the 28th anniversary of the founding of the Vietnamese People's Army.

Attending the meeting were Nguyen Tien, minister-counsellor, and Col Nguyen Dong, military attache, of the embassy of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam in Peking; Nguyen Van Quang, ambassador of the Republic of South Vietnam to China; diplomatic officials of the two embassies, and other Vietnamese comrades in Peking.

Present were Ma Wei-hua [7456 5898 5478], deputy commander of the PLA Peking units; Cheng Chao [4453 6389], deputy commander of the armoured units of the PLA Peking units; Yin Tso-chen, deputy director of the Foreign Affairs Bureau of the Ministry of National Defence; Yeh Chen-liang and Pai Hsueh-tien, leading members of the tank unit.

The meeting was held in an atmosphere of fraternal unity and friendship between the peoples and armies of China and Vietnam. Comrade Pai Hsueh-tien and Military Attache Nguyen Dong spoke at the meeting.

Comrade Pai Hsueh-tien warmly praised the Vietnamese people and people's army for their heroic exploits in the struggle for national independence and liberation. He said: Since December 18, U.S. imperialism has again dispatched a great number of aircraft to carry out large scale, wanton bombing of North Vietnam day and night. The dauntless North Vietnamese army and people, under the leadership of the Vietnam Workers Party, waged a heroic and unyielding struggle and dealt the enemy a telling blow. The Vietnamese comrades have fought well! We warmly congratulate the fraternal Vietnamese army and people.

Comrade Pai Hsueh-tien said: The Chinese and Vietnamese peoples are comrades-in-arms and brothers sharing weal and woe. They have always fought shoulder to shoulder and encouraged and supported each other in the struggle against imperialism. The Chinese people have always regarded it as their glorious proletarian internationalist duty to support the Vietnamese people in their cause against U.S. aggression and for national salvation.

Nguyen Dong reviewed the glorious history of the Vietnamese people's army which for the past 28 years has fought unrelentingly for the independence and freedom of the fatherland and won brilliant victories. He said: The Vietnamese people have won and are winning tremendous, all-round and sure victories in their revolutionary cause.

The military attache strongly condemned U.S. imperialism for sending aircraft to barbarously bomb Hanoi, Haiphong and other Vietnamese territories in flagrant violation of the agreement already agreed upon at the Paris negotiations. He said: Obviously the Nixon Government is still clinging to its aggressive ambition. The Vietnamese people's armed forces are determined to hold high the banner of "firm resolute to fight and win" and give the enemy due punishment.

The Vietnamese military attache said: The friendship between the peoples and armies of Vietnam and China is based on Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism. We sincerely wish the fraternal Chinese people and People's Liberation Army still more brilliant victories in socialist revolution and construction.

The meeting was followed by the showing of a Vietnamese feature film about the heroic Vietnamese army and people in the war against U.S. aggression and for national salvation.

The Vietnamese comrades also saw an exhibition of military skills given by the unit and received cordial greetings from the PLA commanders and fighters.