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**STATEMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC  
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In its constant search for peace, the Government of the Republic of Vietnam has been discussing with the U.S. Government during the past weeks the ground rules and arrangements for the new meetings in Paris which would enable the Government of the Republic of Vietnam to send its delegation to Paris to engage in direct and serious talks with the Hanoi delegation, toward the ending of Communist aggression and the establishment of a just, secure, and guaranteed peace in Vietnam.

As a result of these discussions the U.S. Government has submitted to the Government of the Republic of Vietnam a statement. By

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mutual agreement, that statement is being made public in both Saigon and Washington at this time.

In that statement, we find that the major points in the message of the President of the Republic before the joint session of the National Assembly on November 2, and the two-side formula proposed by the Government of the Republic of Vietnam on November 8, have been given satisfaction in their essential aspects.

The sovereignty of the Republic of Vietnam has been respected.

The governments of the other allied nations have been consulted and wholeheartedly support the agreements achieved through the close cooperation between the U.S. Government and the Government of the Republic of Vietnam.

Once again, the solidarity between the Government of the Republic of Vietnam and allied governments has been eloquently demonstrated in the face of the intransigent attitude of North Vietnam and its auxiliary forces.

Therefore, the Government of the Republic of Vietnam decides that it is prepared to participate in the new talks in Paris with the Hanoi delegation to show the good will of the Republic of Vietnam and to test the good faith of Hanoi.