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Compatriots, Comrades, and Friends,

The Summit Conference among the leaders of the Soviet Union, England, France, and the U.S.A. to be held in Paris on 16 May 1960 has failed because of the provocative and aggressive activities and the stubborn attitude of the American Imperialists. As we all know and the American Imperialists have admitted it, on the eve of the opening of the Summit Conference, they sent a military airplane to intrude into the Soviet air space to gather intelligence information and to provoke the Soviet Union. When the plane was shot down on Soviet territory with all the obvious evidences, the American Imperialists arrogantly declared that the sending of the intelligence plane over the Soviet Union is the "American national policy" and brazenly pleaded their cause with the following abject argument: Because of the fact that the Soviet Union keeps everything in secret, the U.S.A. is compelled to carry out intelligence activities. Upon his arrival in Paris to make preliminary preparations for the Summit Conference, American President Eisenhower

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† maintained the same stubborn and irresponsible attitude about the intrusion into Soviet airspace by the American plane, refusing to condemn this aggressive deed and to promise to stop similar activities against the Soviet Union in the future. -1

Under these circumstances, the Soviet Government delegation led by Comrade Khrushchev, Chairman of the Soviet Council of Ministers, realized that it is impossible to participate in the Summit Conference, and proposed to postpone it from six to eight months to create favorable conditions for better results. To attend the Summit Conference while the American Imperialists were so arrogant and stubborn, is "to connive with those who deceive the world's people," as Comrade Khrushchev put it.

Thus the Summit Conference between the four world powers could not be held. The Vietnamese people as well as the people throughout the world are utterly indignant against the American Imperialist saboteurs of the Summit Conference.

**THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS HAVE COMMITTED ANOTHER
CRIME AGAINST THE WORLD'S PEOPLE. (*)**

We all know that a Conference between Eastern and Western powers at the highest level is an urgent need of today's world. The Vietnamese and world's people are longing for the Conference to be held in a favorable atmosphere to seek solutions for international problems

+ (*) Subtitles are editorially added. -1

† that affect Peace, such as the problems of disarmament, Germany and West Berlin, ban of atomic and hydrogen weapon testing, improvement of East-West relations aiming at reducing world tension. -1

In sabotaging the Summit Conference, the American Imperialists have committed another crime against world peace.

Their sending of an intelligence plane over the Soviet Union and their declaration that this is American "national policy" are not an isolated accident. These are part of a plan for systematic undermining of world peace, hatched by the American Imperialists. It is obvious that under the relentless pressure of the world's people, the American Imperialists were compelled to talk about "peace" and to come to the Summit Conference, but they never ceased to prepare for war, to sabotage peace, to undermine the state of compromise now prevailing in the world, and to ruin the Summit Conference. Since the beginning of the year, many representatives of the American Government such as Vice President Nixon, Secretary of State Herter, and Assistant Secretary of State Dillon have been making statements that tend to sabotage any negotiations for peace. Herter said: "The U.S.A. comes to the Summit Conference without any intention or hope to see its success." Nixon, Dillon, and Eisenhower never ceased to affirm the necessity to maintain military power and to strengthen aggressive military blocs. The American Imperialists always attempt to return to the outdated "policy of Strength," to + step up the armament race, military maneuvers, speedy revival -1

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† of militarism in West Germany and Japan, active consolidation and expansion of aggressive blocs in Europe and Asia, preparations to set up the Northeast Asia aggressive bloc, and so forth. During April, and early last May, the foreign ministers of some Western powers and the delegates of 15 countries of NATO met in the U.S.A. and in Turkey to unify their position and strategy in the sabotage of the Summit Conference.

While the belligerent imperialists led by the U.S.A. continued to undermine peace, the Soviet Union and the countries of the Socialist camp persistently struggled to create conditions favorable to the holding of the Summit Conference. Thanks to the might of the Socialist camp and world's peace forces, thanks to the successive constructive initiatives of the Soviet Union, the Summit Conference has been convened.

Since the beginning of this year, The Soviet Union has been exerting new efforts aimed at promoting an international atmosphere favorable to the success of the Summit Conference. The Soviet Union all alone has decided to reduce her army by 1,200,000 men. Premier Khrushchev has paid a goodwill visit to 4 Southeast Asian countries (India, Burma, Indonesia, and Afghanistan), and France. He repeatedly declared that he is always ready to attend the Summit Conference with an open heart and sincere desire to see the success of the Conference. The Soviet delegate has been showing a flexible and + compromising attitude at the conference of 10 countries on

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† disarmament and ban of nuclear tests in Geneva. These proofs eloquently speak for the good intentions of the Soviet Union. Even after the incident of the American intelligence plane, the Soviet Union, on the one hand, strongly protested and warned the U.S.A., and on the other, continued to try to create favorable conditions for the American President to recognize his responsibility so that the Summit Conference could be held. Comrade Khrushchev's declaration in the preliminary meeting of the Conference on 16 May 1960 was widely supported by the world's people. Before the good will of the Soviet Union, the American Imperialists continued their stubborn attitude, and made the holding of the Conference impossible.

One thing noteworthy is that, despite the obstacles created by the American Imperialists on the path of Peace, the Soviet Union constantly maintains her policy of peaceful coexistence, infatigable struggle for the solution of international issues through negotiations. The Soviet Union continues to struggle for the convening of another Summit Conference in a near future.

This serious and correct attitude of the Soviet Union is admired and welcomed by the peace-loving people throughout the world.

The Vietnamese people are extremely indignant before the brazen aggressive act and obstinate attitude of the American Imperialists.

The Vietnamese people whole-heartedly support the firm attitude
+ of the Soviet Union in unmasking the American Imperialists, -|

† saboteurs of the Summit Conference. -1

The Vietnamese people fully support the Soviet Union in taking the American provocative and spying activities to the United Nations Security Council (and if necessary to the General Assembly), requesting these organizations to condemn all American Imperialist provocative, aggressive, and warlike policies, and to force the American Imperialists to stop them so as to create a compromising atmosphere in the international relations between East and West. The resolute struggle carried out by the Soviet Union aimed at mercilessly baring the horrible American Imperialists' faces of aggressors and their fake talks about peace, is absolutely necessary. This firm attitude is a great stimulation for the peace-loving people of the world, struggling against the bellicose imperialists, led by the American ones.

Compatriots, Comrades, and Friends,

At present, the imperialist gang is mobilizing its propaganda machinery to slander the Soviet Union so as to hold it responsible for all this. The imperialists are plotting to revive tension in the world and to pull mankind back to the dark period of the Cold War.

As far as the Soviet Union is concerned, Comrade Khrushchev has declared: "The Soviet Government has always been advocating peaceful coexistence, negotiations, and signing of + reasonable agreements which are acceptable to both sides and -1

† serve as guidance to all subsequent activities." -1

A question might arise: If the Soviet Union and all countries of the socialist camp and the entire progressive mankind maintain peaceful coexistence, relaxation of world tension, and solution of all international issues through negotiations, while the American Imperialists and their henchmen stubbornly oppose all this, What will become of the world situation?

THE DECISIVE FACTOR OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
WORLD SITUATION IS THE MIGHT OF THE SOCIALIST
CAMP AND THE STRUGGLE OF THE WORLD'S PEOPLE.

We all know that the imperialist camp headed by the American Imperialists persistently pursues a policy of war preparations and opposition to peace and peaceful cooperation between all nations, because that is their nature.

But being confronted ^{with} the fact that the balance of power which has definitely tipped to the side of peace and socialist forces, and under the pressure of the world's people, they were forced to talk about peace. Before revealing his true face of aggressor and provoker, Eisenhower himself has masqueraded as "a peacemaker" and had to accept the proposal concerning the conference of 10 countries on disarmament, and the Summit Conference.

It is obvious that the factor which decides the direction of
+ the development of the world situation is not the goodwill of -1

† the imperialist clique, but the might of the ^{expanding} socialist camp led -1
by the Soviet Union and the resolute struggle of the world's people
in the defense of peace. Thanks to the effect of the above factors,
the world situation development trend is growing favorable to
peace and socialism and unfavorable to the bellicose forces.

This situation is increasing more possibilities for stopping
the blood-stained hands of the warlike imperialist gang, and the
threat of a new war.

The giant steps on the path of progress made by the Soviet
Union in the building up of Communism, the forward leaps of China,
and the great victories of other socialist countries in the ~~the~~
realization of Socialism, the great achievements in Soviet science
and technology as shown in the successful launching of artificial
satellites, space rockets and ships, are increasing the power of
the socialist camp. If the imperialists recklessly start a war,
there is no doubt that they will be "immediately and entirely
annihilated".

The national liberation movement in Asia, Africa, and Latin
America is entering a new phase of development. A chain of countries
in Africa have won or are winning their independence; the anti-
American imperialist movement in South Korea, Japan, Turkey, and
Cuba, etc. is mounting at an unprecedented pace. The labor
movement in capitalist countries is also powerfully developing. The
+ bellicose imperialists are being encircled throughout the world -1

† and even on their own territory. Their position is being
considerably weakened. †

The American Imperialist sabotage of the recent Summit Conference may affect the world situation whose tension has been much lessened by the efforts of the Soviet Union, of our side, and in general, of all peace forces in the world. Thus, in the face of the frantic and provocative deeds that betray the weakness of the American Imperialists, the peace-loving people of the world realize all the more clearly / ^{their} ferocious, cunning, and hypocritical nature and abhor them. Consequently the world's people are more united and resolute in their opposition against the war-like policy of the American Imperialists, and their defense of peace will be daily expanding and gaining in strength.

We all understand that we cannot pray or beg for peace; we must fight for it. Peace can be won only through a resolute struggle against the war-mongers and aggressors. The nature of imperialism is warlike and aggressive, therefore, only through a powerful struggle that peace will be consolidated.

Tight unity and resolute struggle will certainly enable the world's people to repulse all the dark plots hatched by the imperialists, and to realize a lasting peace. The Future is in our hands. The time of imperialist lawlessness is gone for ever.

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WE MUST STRENGTHEN OUR VIGILANCE

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Compatriots, Comrades, and Friends,

The daily growing and powerful might of peace and Socialism is shaping the development of the world situation. The belligerent imperialist gang is being weakened and isolated, and is heading toward their doom. Because of this very reason that we must strengthen our vigilance. As President Ho put it, the imperialists "are dead, but their behavior is not." The closer they are ^{to} their end, the more frantic they will become in their activities against world peace.

Not long ago, together with their open sabotage of the Summit Conference, the American Imperialists perpetrated other worse deeds.

Two days ago, they pulled the string behind the reactionary government of Kishi in Japan, forcing the Japanese Diet to approve the Japanese- American military alliance treaty. This is an extremely dangerous act that threatens peace and security of countries in Asia and the Pacific area.

The American Imperialists never cease to interfere with the internal affairs of other countries. They continue their occupation of Formosa that belongs to China. Following the overthrow of Syngman Rhee by the indignant South Korean people, the American Imperialists again set up another puppet regime to repress the

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† South Korean people. They urged the pro-American cliques in South Vietnam and in Thailand to combine with the reactionary Cambodians to undermine the peaceful and neutral policy of the Kingdom of Cambodia. They openly and brazenly interfered with the internal affairs of the Kingdom of Laos. They used their henchmen to organize the fake general election in Laos so as to grab the majority position in the Laotian National Assembly, and oust all those who represent the peaceful, neutral, and patriotic tendencies in Laos. At the same time, they continued to lead their lackeys to repress and terrorize the Laotian people, to unlawfully jail Prince Souphanouvong and other leaders of Neo Lao Haksat. They built up military bases to transform Laos into an American Imperialist military base to threaten our national security, and peace in Indochina and Southeast Asia.

The Vietnamese people and the Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam do sympathize with the Laotian people who are our neighbors and comrade-in-arms in the struggle against colonialism, for national independence. We do want friendly relations with the Kingdom of Laos. We know that the present Laotian situation is created by the American Imperialists, therefore, together with the Laotian people and those of goodwill in Laos, we firmly demand the American Imperialists to get out of Laos so that the Laotian people can decide their own fate, and that Laos can freely follow the path

+ of peaceful and neutral policy which the Laotian people want. -1

In South Vietnam at present, following the instructions of their American masters, the Ngo Dinh Diem clique are terrorizing our people, taking revenge against those who formerly participated in the Resistance, repressing those who love peace and long for national reunification. They promulgated the fascist law of October 1959 and moved their guillotines throughout South Vietnam to kill off our patriots. They sent their troops out on mopping up operations to massacre our people, and set up concentration camps, "prosperity zones" to detain our countrymen.

In addition, the American Imperialists intensify their military enterprises. They openly brought more American military advisers into South Vietnam to unlawfully reinforce the American military mission (MAAG), saying that this was for replacing the officers of the French Expeditionary Corps that has left Vietnam. They brazenly violated the Geneva Agreements, and thereby creating a situation that jeopardizes peace in Indochina.

Our countrymen in the South refused to be repressed and massacred by the American-Diem clique, and firmly fought against them. And the American-Diem clique clamored that the North is conducting "subversive activities" against them.

Here, we need to mention that up to now the International Control Commission has been having noteworthy efforts in its

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† activities, but we cannot support the recent attitude of the Commission in ignoring the vigorous protest of the Vietnamese people and Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, in its use of the majority votes to connive with the American Imperialists and Ngo Dinh Diem to increase the number of American military personnel in MAAG. †

We request the International Control Commission to have a correct attitude to carry out its responsibilities of supervising and controlling the accurate implementation of the clauses of the Geneva Agreements to preserve peace in Indochina. Our people are very indignant before the criminal acts of the American-Diem clique, and strongly protest their divisive and warlike plots hatched in South Vietnam.

We must always set high our vigilance. The American-Diem clique not only carry out activities that undermine peace in the South, but also refuse to give up their "Northern expedition" plot. Just like their American Imperialist masters who have used planes to spy on the Soviet Union, the Diem regime has repeatedly violated the airspace of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam.

LET US STEP UP PATRIOTIC EMULATION AND
INTENSIFY OUR MILITANT UNITY

In order to defeat all the plots and activities of the American-Diem clique aiming at undermining peace, and unification, †

† our countrymen in the North will exert our strength to consolidate the North, bring it closer to Socialism, and build it up into a solid foundation for the struggle for national reunification. We have just successfully held the election of the second session of the National Assembly. We have just celebrated the seventieth birthday of President Ho. Let us step up our patriotic emulation drive for larger quantity, speedier production, better quality, and cheaper products, to take these as achievements to greet the fifteenth National Day of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. Let us march forward to fulfil and overfulfil the three-year State plan and to make active preparations for switching over to the five-year plan in a smooth manner. At present our people are exerting efforts to well complete the fifth lunar month crop and to actively prepare for the tenth lunar month crop, overcoming all difficulties to complete the basic construction plan during the rainy season, to finish the construction of dikes for flood control, and to do everything to protect our dikes. To do well all these tasks is to consolidate the North and to realistically strengthen the anti-American -Diem forces.

We wholeheartedly hail the indomitable and militant spirit of the South Vietnam compatriots fighting against the American Imperialists and the Ngo Dinh Diem ruling clique, and we believe that the more our compatriots fight against them, the more experiences they will have so as to carry on and expand the movement.

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Compatriots, Comrades, and Friends,

The American Imperialists have thwarted the convocation of the Summit Conference. That was a criminal deed which they are held responsible before the world's people. To us, this fact has made us realize all the more clearly the unchanging reactionary and warlike nature of the imperialist gang. Thus we become more vigilant and united to fight harder so that the imperialists will be subdued by the might of the world's people and will be forced ~~we~~ into negotiating with the Soviet Union to solve all international issues.

Once more, we repeat our support to the position of the Soviet Government in the opposition to American Imperialist sabotage of the Summit Conference. This is an ^{unique} and correct position. The attitude of the Soviet Government has bared the horrible faces of the American Imperialists before the world's people, and at the same time it has shown the goodwill of the Soviet Union and the socialist camp which are determined to realize the principles of peaceful coexistence.

We firmly believe that with the strength and righteous goal of our side, with the sympathy and support of the peace-loving people of the world, Peace will certainly triumph, and the bellicose imperialist gang will be more and more isolated and will be shamefully defeated.

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-- Down with American Imperialism!

-- Get out of South Vietnam, American Imperialists!

-- Long live the unswerving friendship between the Vietnamese and Soviet people!

-- Long live ^{the} monolithic unity of all countries in the socialist camp headed by the Soviet Union!

-- Long live peaceful, unified, independent, democratic, and prosperous Vietnam!

-- Long live president Ho!

-- Long live world peace!

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