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ON THE ANNIHILATION OF THE NEW PLAN OF COUP D'ETAT
FOMENTED BY THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM
AIMING AT OVERTHROWING DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA

On the end of May, 1978, the Government of Democratic Kampuchea, the people and Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea, under the leadership of the Communist Party of Kampuchea, have successfully annihilated once again the plan of coup d'Etat fomented by the Communist Party of Vietnam and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam aiming at overthrowing Democratic Kampuchea.

This time, the plan of coup d'Etat has been prepared by the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of Vietnam and the government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam themselves, after their heavy defeats they have suffered during their military attacks of invasion and aggression perpetrated against Democratic Kampuchea in November and December 1977 and their successive attacks of invasion and aggression perpetrated during the first semester of 1978.

This last attempt of coup d'Etat fomented by Vietnam has aimed at overthrowing Democratic Kampuchea. But if the Vietnamese could not overthrow Democratic Kampuchea, they would strive to take possession of the Eastern zone, to separate this zone from the rest of Kampuchea, to declare there a new State power and a new Party puppets of Vietnam. They would use the Eastern zone as a stepping stone in order to launch military attacks and to take possession of all the territories situated in the East of the Mekong river and of the other parts of Kampuchea, until they take possession of the whole Kampuchea.
Among the Vietnamese who have directly received the order from the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of Vietnam to penetrate into Kampuchea to establish contacts there and to lead personally the coup d'État and who have come and personally carried out activities of subversion against Kampuchea, are the following names:

1- HAI SO, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam,

2- PHAM TRUNG HIEU called BA HAI, assistant of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam, former counsellor at the Embassy of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam in Phnom Penh,

3- NGUYEN GIA DANG called TU CAM, assistant of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam,

4- BA HA, assistant of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam,

5- BAI NAB, assistant of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam

6- NAI VIERT, assistant of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam,

The above-mentioned six Vietnamese with another number of Vietnamese, secretly penetrated several times into the territory of Kampuchea to establish contacts and hold meetings in the Eastern zone with the agents infiltrated and organized since a long time by Vietnam, in order to carry out the plan of coup d'État and personally lead this coup d'État.

The main secret meetings for preparing this coup d'État were held in the Eastern part of Kompong Cham province, in the area of the National Road №7, and in Svay Rieng province, in the Eastern zone. These secret meetings were frequently held, especially in February, March, April and in the beginning of May 1978 in order to achieve the plan of coup d'État and to launch successive attacks of invasion against Kampuchea in February, March, April, May and June.

Like the previous times, the Vietnameses have drawn up their plan of coup d'État and of attacks of invasion against Kampuchea with their supporters and in collaboration with the C.I.A.
But this Vietnamese plan of coup d'État and of attacks of invasion against Kampuchea once again has suffered the most ignominious and heavy defeat, for the Party, the people and the Revolutionary Army of Kampuchea who have been entirely masters of the situation, have broken this plan into pieces.

This last plan of coup d'État has more clearly shown the genuine nature of aggressor and annexationist of Vietnam which has always interfered in other's internal affairs and unceasingly carried out subversive activities and whose hands are stained with blood of the Kampuchea's people; it has more clearly shown the strategical objective of Vietnam attempting at taking possession of Kampuchea in order to enfeoff it to Vietnam and to integrate it at once in Vietnam.

In words, Vietnam continued to utter lies and to claim that it wants "to negotiate with Kampuchea in order to peacefully solve the problem", that "Vietnam has no aim to force Kampuchea to join the Indochina Federation", that "Vietnam respects the independence and sovereignty of Democratic Kampuchea"... etc...

But in deeds, Vietnam has feverishly carried on its acts of subversion, interference, violation and aggression against Democratic Kampuchea. It is attempting to find any means in order to annex Democratic Kampuchea and to foment coups d'État for overthrowing Democratic Kampuchea and forcing her to join the "Indochina Federation", a puppet of Vietnam, and then, to swallow Kampuchea in a definite period.

But Vietnam and its supporters who have acted in collusion with the C.I.A. in order to foment coups d'État and to launch attacks of invasion against Kampuchea, have failed. They have relapsed into crime and they have failed again. The more they persist in their activities, the more they suffer ignominious and heavy defeats. And Vietnam will suffer in all fields, in military, political, economical, financial and diplomatic fields, heavier defeats which will bring to it bigger difficulties in all fields and will further isolate it in the international arena, with the sinister fame of aggressor of Kampuchea, annexationist and swallower of the Kampuchea's territories.
If Vietnam continues to feverishly and obstinately carry out its policy and acts of subversion, interference, violation, aggression and its attempts at staging coups d'Etat in order to overthrow Democratic Kampuchea, it would suffer heavier defeats at one and the same time, towards Kampuchea, at home and in the international arena.

Vietnam has to:

1- To stop carrying out any attack of aggression, invasion and annexation against the territory of Democratic Kampuchea; to stop any act of provocation and violation against the territory, territorial waters and airspace of Democratic Kampuchea; to stop machine-gunning, pounding, bombing and carrying out air-raids against the territory and territorial waters of Democratic Kampuchea;

2- To stop sending spying agents to gather intelligence in the territory territorial waters and islands of Democratic Kampuchea; to stop carrying out any act of subversion and interference in the internal affairs of Democratic Kampuchea; to stop carrying out attempts of coups d'Etat or other forms of activities aiming at attacking and overthrowing the Government of Democratic Kampuchea;

3- To definitively abandon the strategy aiming at making Kampuchea a puppet of Vietnam in the "Indochina Federation", following the doctrine of "one Party, one country and one people" in the "Indochina" belonging to Vietnam;

4- To respect the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Democratic Kampuchea; to respect the rights of the Kampuchea's people to decide by themselves their own destiny, in conformity with the concrete situation.

Otherwise, Vietnam would have to assume the entire responsibility of the consequences of its criminal acts against Kampuchea.

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