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Hanoi VNA May 20 - In spite of strong warnings from Vietnam, Chinese troops have, in recent days, intensified their armed provocations with artillery attacks on the northern border areas of Vietnam.

On May 16 - 17, Chinese troops unleashed more than 1,000 mortar rounds and long-range artillery shells on Thanh Loa, Thanh Dan, Luc Yen, and Hoai Cu villages, Cao Loc district, Lang Son province, killing or wounding 6 civilians, destroying many houses, fields and gardens, and killing 15 heads of cattle.

On May 19, Chinese troops fired more than 500 long-range artillery rounds on Khon Quyen and Na Lang hamlets, height 708 in Cao Loc district, Lang Son province, from 7 - 8km inside Vietnamese territory, causing serious damage to crops and other property.

The same day, Chinese troops fired hundreds of mortar and long-range artillery rounds into Thanh Thuy and Lao Chai villages, Vi Xuyen district, Ha-Tuyen province, destroying many houses and a large areas of rice and corn fields.

In the same period, the Chinese authorities have concentrated company and battalion size infantry and artillery units close to the border in the areas adjacent to Chi Ma and Loc Binh (Lang Son), Trung Khanh (Cao Bang), Hoang Su Phi (Ha Tuyen) and Phong Tho (Lai Chau) causing tension in these areas.

Together with their armed provocations and shellings of Vietnamese territory, the Chinese authorities have also sent many scouting groups to the border districts in the provinces of Quang Ninh, Lang Son, Hoang Lien Son and Ha Tuyen.

The vigilant local armed forces and people have courageously fought back, killing many enemy troops, destroying a quantity of military equipment, and capturing number of scouts.

II- KAMPUCHEA PROTESTS CHINA'S ARMS SUPPLY TO KAMPUCHEAN TRAITORS.

Hanoi, VNA May 20 - A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry of the People's Democratic of Kampuchea today strongly protested against the Chinese expansionists for supplying arms to the various factions of Khmer reactionaries to oppose the Kampuchean people. The statement quotes foreign reports as saying that China has just delivered arms to Son Sann's men via Thailand and that Sihanouk, back from his China trip, declared that Deng Xiao Ping had promised him arms to his army.

The statement says: All that goes along with the attempts of Beijing and Washington to rally the Khmer reactionnaires - Son Sann, Sihanouk and Pol Pot-Ieng Sary - Khieu Samphan - into a so-called 'United Front' to oppose the Kampuchean people at the same time as Beijing is increasing its military provocations at the Sino-Lao and Sino-Vietnamese borders.

It is public knowledge that after their liberation from the regime of Pol Pot-Ieng Sary - Khieu Samphan - lackeys of the Chinese expansionists - the Kampuchean people have recorded great successes in national reconstruction. Their full attachment to the new regime in the People's Democratic of Kampuchea has just found a splendid expression in their massive vote for the candidates of the National United Front for the Salvation of Kampuchea during the legislative elections last May 1st. Foreign observers from all continents have witnessed the democratic process of these general elections which once again confirm the Kampuchean people's determination to definitively reject Pol Pot, Son Sann, Sihanouk and the like and to take their destiny into their own hands.

By shutting their eyes to these realities, the Chinese expansionists, in collaboration with the U.S. imperialists and the other reactionaries, have again shown their blind hostility to the Kampuchean people as well as the Vietnamese and Lao peoples, thus seriously threatening peace and stability in Southeast Asia. The complicity of the Bangkok authorities who offers Thai territory for the open conduct of these manoeuvres, shows the hypocrisy of their profession of 'neutrality' in the so-called 'Kampuchean Problem' by rejecting the proposals full of good will of the Foreign Ministers of the three Indochinese countries, Bangkok is running counter to the aspirations of the Thai people and the interests of the

Tahi people and the interests of Thailand and the other countries in this region.

The statement concludes:

Reaffirming its right to legitimate defence, the Kampuchean People's Revolutionary Council will take all necessary measures to cope with any act of infringement upon the sovereignty, security, and territorial integrity of the People's Republic of Kampuchea and the peaceful life of the Kampuchean people.

STATEMENT BY A SPOKESMAN FOR THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ON AFGHANISTAN

"U.S. imperialism, Beijing expansionism and warlike Nato forces are increasing their supplies in weapons, military equipment and money to reactionary Afghan exiles, harbouring and training them and repatriating them back to Afghanistan to carry activities against the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan. They have turned Afghanistan's common borders with a number of neighbouring countries into starting bases, training camps and sanctuaries for activities against the Afghan people and against peace and stability in that region. They are seeking every way to obstruct the effort made by the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan for normalizing its relations with Iran and Pakistan.

"Afghanistan's stand for negotiations to normalize its relations with Iran and Pakistan as announced in its statements on May 14, 1980 and May 13, 1981 is entirely correct and well-meaning. That is the correct way to remove tension and maintain regional peace and stability. The Foreign Ministry of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam fully supports the statement of May 13 last of the Afghan Foreign Ministry. It strongly condemns the United States, the Beijing expansionists and other reactionary forces, and firmly demands that they put an immediate stop to their criminal schemes and actions against the Democratic Republic of Afghanistan.

"The Vietnamese people firmly believe that under the leadership of the People's Democratic Party headed by President Barbrak Karmal, and with the great, noble internationalist assistance of the Soviet Union and the strong sympathy and support of progressive forces throughout the world, the Afghan people will certainly succeed in consolidating and following up their revolutionary gains and crushing all criminal plots and moves of imperialism and international reaction."