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## 1- THAILAND CONTINUES ARMED PROVOCATIONS AGAINST KAMPUCHEA

Hanoi VNA September 12 - Thailand has continued its armed provocations against Kampuchea both on the ground and in the air reports SPK.

In the period from August 15 to September 3, Thai artillery fired cannon and mortar rounds and rockets on heights 172, 322, 237 and 492 and the areas northwest and southwest of Smatdeng, 5 kilometres inside Kampuchea in Pursat province.

In the province of Battambang, on August 15, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 hundreds of rounds of 82mm and 120mm mortars and 75mm recoilless guns were fired on areas southeast of Poi Pet and western Pailin. In particular, on August 15, Thai armed forces fired about 500 shells of various types on the area west of Pailin, causing losses in lives and property to the local population.

In the province of Preah Vihear, in the last half of August, 42 rounds of cannon and mortar were fired on Preah Vihear temple, causing heavy losses to the civilian population.

On August 15, 18, 23 and 30 and September 1st, Thai aircraft, including L.19's, OV.10's and helicopters on 15 occasions intruded 10 to 15km into the airspace of Kampuchea, in the provinces of Battambang, Kohkong and Siem Riep. On August 26, L19 planes of Thailand in coordination with ground-based artillery, supported the Pol Pot remnants to intrude into the areas of hills 237 and 322 of Kampuchea.

## 2- ADEN TREATY WELCOMED

The treaty of friendship between the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, Ethiopia and Libya recently signed in Aden 'manifests the will of the three countries to help one another in self-defence against imperialist intervention and aggression,' says Nhan Dan in a commentary today.

'This', the paper notes 'is a new development in the relations between the governments and the peoples of the three countries aimed at defending the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of each one against imperialism, zionism and racism, and making contributions to peace and stability in the region.'

The paper goes on: 'Right on the day the <sup>Treaty</sup> Aden was signed the US sixth fleet air force made a blatant provocative attack on Libyan reconnaissance aircraft, thus grossly violating the sovereignty of that country.

The US imperialists have continued their hostile policy towards the peoples in the region by intensifying their dangerous provocations fraught with serious consequences. Yet, the peoples in the region, instead, have strengthened their militant solidarity and resolutely fought back against the interventionists and aggressors.

'The US impudent armed provocations against Libya have exposed the warlike nature of the imperialist chieftain, who is stepping up the arms race and has kindled conflicts in that important part of the world.'

Nhan Dan continues: 'The United States is angry at the increasing anti-imperialist determination of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, Ethiopia and Libya. Economic blockade, attempts on the lives of leaders of the three countries, use of mercenaries to cause instability, armed provocations and violations of sovereignty and territory are crimes repeatedly committed by the United States against the three countries. Washington brands others as 'terrorists', but in fact, it is the biggest and most brutal international terrorist and the chieftain of warlike and aggressive forces.'

'The US gun boat policy has long gone. The present era is the era in which all nations stand up to be the masters of their destinies. The treaty of friendship and cooperation between the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, Ethiopia and Libya is a firm reminder to the US imperialists,' Nhan Dan says in conclusion.

### 3- QUAN DOI NHAN DAN: SALVADORIAN PEOPLE'S VICTORY IS INEVITABLE

The Hanoi Daily Quan Doi Nhan Dan (People's Army) today affirms that the United States cannot prevent the Salvadorian revolution from achieving total victory.

The paper is commenting on the Reagan administration's recent decision to give additional aid of 420 tons of weapons to the reactionary authorities in El Salvador, to send 90 more military advisors to that country, and to increase its military aid by 35 million dollars and economic aid by 63,5 million dollars as well as to consider the Duarte-Guzierrez administration's request for an additional 75 helicopters.

The paper notes: This massive additional military aid indicates Washington's failure in that country over the past six months''.

Quan Doi Nhan Dan quotes a communique of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front as saying that the Salvadorian revolutionary forces have basically smashed the ''pacification programme'' of the United States and its henchmen. It also quotes the U.S. magazine New York Time as noting that the guerillas attacks in a major province showed their popular support and great combat effectiveness.

The paper goes on:

''The revolutionary situation of El Salvador is evolving more and more unfavourably for U.S. imperialism and its henchmen. The whole progressive mankind is taking side with the Salvadorian people and pledging them support till final victory. The statement of the French Government on August 29 reaffirming its support for the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, and the Mexican Government's firm stand in recognizing the Front and the Revolutionary Salvadorian people point to the inevitable success of the just cause of the Salvadorian people''.

''But Washington has not reconciled itself to defeat. It is

harbouring perfidious schemes, spreading the myth about Soviet and Cuban intervention as an excuse for its deeper intervention in El Salvador. But the setbacks of Reagan administration's policy of interference over the past half-year demonstrate quite well the irreversibility of situation in El Salvador''.

#### 4- NHAN DAN EXTOLS TREMENDOUS VITALITY OF NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT

Born from the high tide of the seething struggle against imperialism and colonialism for national liberation after the second world war, the non-aligned movement has constantly grown and has now become an important factor in international politics'', remarks Nhan Dan in an editorial today.

The paper says:

''Surmounting many big trials, the movement has increasingly proved its correct objective of struggling against imperialism, colonialism, neo-colonialism, apartheid, zionism and hegemonism, for a just and equitable world economic order, and for world peace and security, this lofty objective has enjoyed growing approval and support from all forces that cherish peace, national independence, freedom, iustice and social progress''.

Nhan Dan goes on:

''A big lesson that has been drawn from the development of the non-aligned movement over the past two decades is that only by closely associating itself to the objectives of our time-firm struggle against imperialism and colonialism, for peace, national independence, democracy and social progress - can the movement muster a really great strength. Obviously, in our time, national independence is closely linked to socialism. Only genuine socialism can ensure real independence and freedom. Only by sincerely coordinating with the socialist community can the national liberation movement maintain and consolidate its gains and defeat all counter-attacks by imperialism in collusion with other international reactionaries, first of all, the Beijing hegemonists and their stooges of all colours. However, there remain in the movement

some tendencies that want it to return to its former objectives, sit on the fence between the two blocs, and oppose both super-powers. U.S. led imperialism, Beijing expansionism and other international reactionary forces are seeking by every perfidious means to exploit such tendencies and polarize the movement in an attempt to steer it away from its fundamental objectives.'

The paper continues: ''The non-aligned movement, while having a very bright prospect, is faced with many pressing and complicated problems , U.S. imperialism is frenziedly stepping up the arms race, and on the other hand, increasing its collusion with Beijing expansionism and other reactionary forces to stage armed provocations and strain the situation in many parts of the world, thus seriously threatening peace, independence and security of all nations.''

''Evidence has accumulated that U.S. imperialism is the main enemy of nations, while Chinese expansionism is a saboteur of the revolutionary movement in many countries and an active aide to imperialism especially to U.S.imperialism, in its sabotage against peace, national independence and its opposition to socialism and communism. Beijing expansionism is the dangerous and direct enemy of the peoples of Vietnam, Laos and Kampuchea. Its ambition is to expand to the whole of southeast Asia.

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