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FULL TRANSLATION

((Marginal Note: To Thieu
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PROPAGANDA TRAINING

To: All District and City
Propaganda and Training Sections
and Subordinate Party Committees.

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The situation in Cambodia has worsened. The pro-American rightist clique has overthrown Sihanouk and seized power. In fact, they have destroyed the independence and neutrality of Cambodia, and spoiled the friendship between this country and ourselves. They are steering Cambodia toward a reactionary regime, even though they still maintain neutrality and diplomatic relations with the socialist countries. For this reason, they have initiated demonstrations against us, promoted racial segregation, and encouraged their people to mistreat and exploit the Vietnamese residents in Cambodia. In particular they have intensified all espionage activities, and will probably create conditions for the US and Puppets to conduct military operations against our forces stationed in the border areas.

In face of such a situation, the propaganda and training sections of all local areas and units must perform the following tasks:

1. Make all Party headquarters and Party Chapters understand that the incidents which took place in Cambodia were promoted by the US. This is an indication that they are confused because of their serious failure in Vietnam. This is also evidence of their stubbornness and persistence in prolonging the war in Indo-China. Although the situation in Cambodia can create some temporary difficulties for us in the border areas, it will not save the US and its Cambodian henchmen from an inevitable defeat. On the contrary, the political action movement of the Cambodian people against the US and the pro-US reactionary government in support of the Chief of State Sihanouk will develop widely and place the US and its henchmen in a dangerous situation. The US will be driven into a deadlock, and it will be entangled in a great deal of difficulty. There will be favorable conditions for the liberation movement in Cambodia to develop, and for our troops and people to fight and win.

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2. The Party headquarters and Party Chapters must be made aware of the above situation and prevent Party members from being surprised and effected because of it. They must encourage the Party members to remain calm and have high determination to overcome all difficulties. Our cadre must seize the opportunity to accomplish their immediate and future tasks, and create advantageous conditions for us to achieve a final victory.

Upon receipt of this communique, all local areas and units will disseminate its contents within their organizations, together with the statement made by the Provisional Revolutionary Government of SVN concerning the coup d'etat in Cambodia. They will make their personnel understand our viewpoint and attitude towards the recent incidents in Cambodia. Meanwhile, they will reveal the distorted propaganda and false accusations of the US and Puppets aimed at creating racial segregation and destroying the age old friendship between the Vietnamese and Khmer peoples who are fighting the US for the salvation of the Indo-Chinese people.

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Binh Tan^A Propaganda and Training

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15. SUMMARY: (C) This report contains information obtained from an enemy document dated 31 March 1970, captured on 6 April 1970, and concerns a letter, originated by the Propaganda-Training Section of Binh Tan ((possibly aka Binh Tuy Province Party Committee)), addressed to Party Committees of subordinate districts and cities, which discusses the situation in Cambodia and outlines countermeasures. To prevent demoralization among friendly personnel due to the unfavorable development in Cambodia, the letter specifically directs addressees to conduct immediate political training sessions to familiarize their members with the Cambodian situation.	(Leave Blank)
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