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## Vietnamese Hammer Blows Trounce U.S. Aggressors

DESPITE VSC-YCL TRICKS & OFFICIAL THREATS
MILITANT YOUTH SHALL MARCH TO U.S. EMBASSY

Addressing a press conference on October 9, Mr A. Manchanda, General Secretary of the Britain-Vietnam Solidarity Front, expressed full confidence that "the majority of the militant youth shall march to Grovesnor Square on October 27, and defeat the nefarious plot of the double-faced VSC-YCL clique in collusion with the reactionary Wilson Government to divert the anti-U.S. demonstration away from its target! He said, "that no threats, intimidations and the tricks of the reactionaries shall succeed in cowing the revolutionary youth of Britain."

In order to appreciate the significance of the massive demonstration of solidarity of the British youth and workers with the heroic people of Vietnam against U.S. imperialist aggression, as well as to appreciate the real nature of the plot to divert the militant march away from the target - U.S. Embassy by the V.S.C.-Y.C.L. clique, it is important to examine the situation in Vietnam and the predicament of the aggressive forces.

Since early Spring this year, the People's Liberation Armed Forces (PLAS) and the people of South Vietnam have continued their general offensive against the U.S. aggressors and their Saigon puopets, scoring victories upon victories. According to the PLAF Command special communique dated August 5,1968, in the month of June alone, 56,000 U.S. and puppet troops were wiped out.

According to the "Giai Phong" Press Agency, "more than 13,500 enemy troops, among them more than 3,000 U.S. aggressor and south Korean satellite troops were wiped out from August 22 to 31, in Central Trung Bo region."

In the 6-month period till June, "a total of 380,000 enemy including 133,000 GIs and satellite troops were killed, wounded or captured" by the South Vietnamese people and armed forces.

Besides, the PLAF and the people

- Shot down or destroyed on the ground over 4,400 aircraft,

- Blasted 8,790 military vehicals, including 4,569 tanks and armoured troop carriers,

- Sank or shot ablaze 580 combat launches and military cargo ships,

- Razed 1,200 posts,
- Wrecked over 700 big guis,
- Incinerated nearly 500 storages of ammunition, gasoline and other war materials, and
- Blew up over 350 bridges.

With the disappearance of over one-fourth of its effectives- and to replace or repair the whole of its air and armour fleets, the U.S. has to face the predicament of filling the gap in a short time. In addition, hundreds of thousands of puppet troops deserted or were disbanded in the period under review.

The achievements of the people of South Vietnam in these six months far surpassed those scored in all previous years; out-manoeuvering all the U.S. strategic plans and pushing it into passiveness and indeed in a deep quagmire.

Forced into defensive positions in town and capitals of the provinces, the U.S. aggressors are under constant attack by the infantry and the artillery of the people forces; this is specially the case in Saigon-Cholan-Gia Dinh area.

#### U.S. LOSSES IN NORTH VIETNAM

Up to September 12, 1968, 3,152 U.S. aircraft were shot down over north Vietnam.

#### POLITICAL SITUATION

With their continued uprisings, the people in South Vietnam, working folk, students and intellegensia in all the cities and towns are joining in their mass national united movement against the aggressors. With continued mass desertions, the puppet administration is being smashed all round and the organs of revolutionary powere are being established and consolidated.

Not only the Political Programme of the South Vietnam National Liberation Front is extending greater influence and uniting various social strata, but along with it the Vietnam Alliance of National, Democratic & Peace Forces has further broadened the national united front for the liberation of south Vietnam.

#### ECONOMIC SITUATION

In order to replenish the endless losses and the vain attempt to overcome successive set-backs in its war of aggression in Vietnam, the U.S. is paying a very heavy price in men and material.

This war costs nearly 33 billion dollars a year, or nearly half of the U.S. military budget in 1968. This war is the most costly the U.S. imperialism has engaged in all its history. The three-year Korean war cost the U.S. 21.5 billion dollars only.

Under the hammer blows of the people's forces, the Saigon puppet administration is virtually paralysed. The 1968 budget of the puppet administration is stuck. The projected 95 billion piastres (44 billion from taxes, 26 billion from U.S. aid and 25 billion from loans) is facing a deficit of some 50 billion, since only one-third of the tariffs has come in; the sale of goods has come to a stand still.

In contrast, in the liberated zone in spite of the bombing and shelling, the economy has been steadily developing and meeting the needs of the armed forces and the people.

Using all their cunning and fraudulent tactics- "peace talks", "restraint", and "de-escalation", the U.S. has been intensifying its bombing both in north and south Vietnam. They are more and more using B52 bombers in their indiscriminate raids around Saigon and the heavily populated areas in the Mekong river delta.

In its desperation, the U.S. is using more and more poison gases and toxic chemicals against the people of Vietnam. According to the South Vietnam Committee to Denounce U.S. War Crimes, the U.S. has increased the use of "high concentration chemicals to an unprecedented degree against more than 20 provinces, to destroy vegetation on thousands of square kilometers, thus depriving the people of their means of living. The chemicals have affected in many cases mortally, thousands of civilians mostly women, aged people and children. In Ben Tre province alone 100,000 hectares of ricefields and orchards have been ravaged by U.S. toxic chemicals. On May 15, 1968, the U.S. dropped poison gas bombs on Da Phuoc Hoi and An Than villages in Mo Cay district, Ben Tre province. As a result, over 500 old folks and hundreds of children were asphyxiated and vomitted blood. In Gio Linh district, Quang Tri province, the U.S. has destroyed with toxic chemicals crops and vegetations covering 540 square kilometers. In Hue, Saigon and many other cities, poison gas of various kinds have been used by the U.S. to terrorise and massacre south Vietnamese people.

As the N.L.F. Central Committee stated on June 14, "Nothing can shake the determination of the South Vietnamese people and their liberation armed forces to wrest back at all costs their national rights: independence, democracy, peace, neutrality, prosperity and ultimate peaceful reunification of their

fatherland. No brutal force, no reactionary power and no perfidious manoeuvre can prevent the South Vietnamese people from rushing forward and winning final victory."

While the revolutionary tide of the world peoples is rising, in the camp of U.S. imperialism and Soviet revisionism there is a deep-going political and economic crisis. These two main enemies of the world people are desparately indulging in dangerous adventures and committing aggression against the peoples, trampling underfoot their freedom and independence. These two imperialist monsters, with feet of clay, have made a counter-revolutionary alliance for the domination of the world and to re-divide it into their respective spheres of influence.

While the U.S. continues its barbarous aggression in Vietnam and plans to spread the flames of war in whole of Asia, the Soviet social imperialists (socialist in words, imperialist in deeds) have carried forward their aggressive plots in Central Europe. Having got the tacit agreement of the U.S., the Brezhnev-Kosygin renegade clique launched an armed aggression against Czecoslovakia, which it intends to keep under military occupation with the ccoperation of the revisionist Dubcek-Svoboda clique of puppets.

In order to further its imperialist big power chauvinist policies, the Soviet revisionist renegade clique is threatening the security and independence of other Central European countries. Recently, it has introduced massive troops into Bulgaria to threaten Socialist Albania and other Balkan countries.

The revolutionary people of Albania, under their great leader Comrade Enver Hoxha, have given a severe rebuff to the evil designs of the Soviet imperialists, by denouncing and withdrawing from the Warsaw Treaty, which has been turned into an instrument of aggression and enslavement.

The mighty 700 million revolutionary people of China, under the great leader Chairman Mao Tse-tung, and who have been tempered in the victorious Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, and who are an invincible bulwark of the independence and freedom of the world people, have given a stern warning to the Soviet revisionists and other intending aggressors to take heed. That if they dare touch Socialist Albania, they shall suffer a most ignominious defeat.

Finding the U.S. aggressors in dire straits, both at home and abroad, the Soviet revisionist clique is keeping up its pressure on the heroic people of Vietnam to surrender to U.S. imperialism through the "peace talks" plot in Paris, thus providing succour to the aggressors in Vietnam.

#### WILSON - U.S. STOOGE

The Wilson Labour Government aids and abets U.S. aggression in Vietnam. In order to bring relief to the hard-pressed U.S. economy, it has devalued the pound, frozen wages and created the worst unemployment in the last 25 years. Overseas, it colludes with U.S. aggression; at home it viciously attacks the working class, their hard-won democratic and trade union rights. It is against these attacks that 3 million engineers are planning a strike this month.

The British Labour Government and all other reactionary forces are desparately trying to bring succour to the hardpressed U.S. aggressors. They are very worried about the rising militancy of the youth, students and workers and their anger against Yankee imperialism. They are particularly worried about the Vietnam solidarity demonstration on October 27. They are hatching plots to divert the attention and the wrath of the youth from the U.S. imperialism, the most hated enemy of all mankind and the most vicious aggressor in Vietnam.

In order to suppress the growing revolutionary spirit of the young people and to create confusion about the capitalist imperialist world system of exploitation and oppression, they are threatening them with dire consequences if they persist in their militant march to Grosvenor Square.

The double-faced Trotskyite clique of the Vietnam Solidarity Campaign (V.S.C.) and the revisionist Young Communist League (Y.C.L.) renegades, who took control of the Ad Hoc Committee for the October Demonstration, are using dual reactionary tactics, also to divert the militant youth away from the U.S. Embassy, the lair of the aggressors.

The revolutionary people of the world hail the great victories of the Vietnamese people and give resolute support to the people's war for the liberation and unity of Vietnam, under the leadership of the South Vietnam National Front for Liberation and the beloved Vietnamese leader, Comrade Ho Chi Minh - the inspiring symbol of independence and unity of Vietnam. But the U.S. imperialism and their agents like the VSC-YCL clique attack the N.L.F. and Comrade Ho Chi Minh.

While glibly mouthing slogans of "revolution against capitalism" and "building a mass movement of the working class", they are preaching their pacifist cult of "no arrests" and their diversionary march (not against the main aggressors) but to Australia House, Downing Street and Hyde Park.

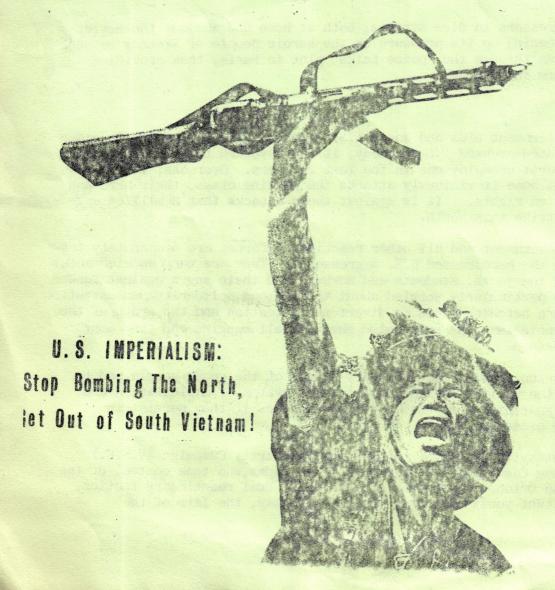
Because of the exposure of their treachery to the solidarity with the heroic people of Vietnam and the militant British youth, they shut out the doors of the Ad Hoc Committee to the Britain-Vietnam Solidarity Front and a number of other organisations, including the branches of the V.S.C. The Committee was split twice.

All the organisations which stand full square in support of the heroic people of Vietnam are determined to go in a united march to the Grosvenor Square, the lair of the aggressor, on October 27. No intimidation or manoeuvre can deter them from this target.

The October 27 Committee for Solidarity with Vietnam enjoys the support of the Britain-Vietnam Solidarity Front and many militant organisations of the youth and worker In fact more and more organisations, including the branches and rank and file members of the V.S.C. and Y.C.L. are extending their support to the October 27 Committee.

The Massive March of Solidarity with the heroic people of Vietnam on October 27, against U.S. aggressors shall be a great success

All the manoeuvres of the V.S.C.-Y.C.L. clique and the intimidations and threats of the oppressive state machine shall mot be able to divert the revolutionary youth from their target U.S. imperialism, the most hated enemy of the Vietnamese and world people.



## BANKRUPT VSC-YCL CLIQUE REJECTS UNITED MARCH AGAINST US IMPERIALISM

### BYSF OPEN LETTER

The Leaders of the V.S.C.-Y.C.L. "October 27 Ad Hoc Committee"

We received yesterday afternoon a letter from Mr. Alan Harris on your beli. . F in reply to our letter dated October 16, 1968.

It seems either in your utter political bankruptcy you were unable to grasp the significance of our proposal or you have gone so far down the road of treachery that it is nigh impossible for you to retrace your steps to come to the correct road of genuine solidarity with the people of Vietnam.

In our letter we had pointed out:

- 1. That as the heroic people of Vietnam are scoring more and more victories, the U.S. aggressors, finding themselves in a serious impasse, are resorting to all kinds of tricks. (You are aware of Johnson's big plot of "stopping all bombing").
- 2. That in this situation, all friends of the Vietnamese people should concert their actions against U.S. imperialism.
- That "the vast majority of the militants British youth and workers wish to have a united march to the U.S. embassy on October 27th.
- 4. In order to realize these objectives, we had suggested joint consultation for united action against U.S. imperialism.

You are "surprised" that after we had labelled you as traitors we then approached In your feigned innocence you thought we had changed our evaluation of you as agents of imperialism.

Knowing your past record, we had no illusions tout your true character, nor had we any reason to change our views when we wrote to you. In fact your letter has further confirmed our estimation of you.

During the march demonstration in Grosvenor Square, while the V.S.C. had no plans for any militant actions, the revolutionary youth of Britain, on their own, wrote a glorious chapter when they defied police brutalities. The V.S.C., on false pretences, has acquired undeserved prestige as a militant organization, and ring honest young people, not knowing the facts, may be mislead by you and get liverted from their target, U.S. imperialism. It is these young people who are tre true friends of Vietnam, though temporarily under your influence, with whom wish united action, and not you imposters. They know who is the main aggress of in Vietnam- I.S. imperialism, and would like to demonstrate against this barbaro. riminal, in his lair in Grosvenor Square. But you, while preaching your cult of cowardice, have been blackmailing them by threats of police violence, and the horrors of the Grosvenor Square "death trap". You bring succour to U.S. imperialism, by chanelling the revolutionary youth's anger towards the puppets of the aggressors, yet you have the cheek to pretend that you are anti-imperialists and not traitors.

Is it not true that you at the founding conference of the V.S.C. on June 4th and 5th, 1966, opposed the five part statement of the south Vietnam National Front for Liberation and the four point stand of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam, the aims of the Vietnamese people's struggle, as the basis of the solidarity movement.

It is you who have attacked the great leader of the 31 million Vietnamese people, President Ho Chi Minh, the symbol of unity and independence of Vietnam. It is you who have been attacking the revolutionary programme of the N.L.F., which has united the fourteen million people in South Vietnam and led them in their great victories over U.S. aggressors and the Saigon puppets.

As for the Y.C.L. revisionist renegades, they have continued to peddle Johnson's "peace talks" and "negotiations" plot under the baton of the Soviet revisionist renegade clique, to pressurize the Vietnamese people to negotiate away their right of self-determination. Is the freedom and unity of Vietnam negotiable? Has U.S. imperialism any right to negotiate anything in Vietnam?

Yes, in order to unite with the honest rank and file members of the V.S.C. and Y.C.L. against U.S. imperialism, we were ready to have joint consultations with you, so that we could unitedly march against the aggressor's den in Grosvenor Square.

We are not ready to unite with you, in your demonstration of treachery, however big. Your rejection of our proposal for a united march to the embassy of the U.S. imperialism, has further unmasked your wretched reactionary face.

All treachery and intimidations shall fail, and there will be a highly successful and militant demonstration against U.S. imperialism in Grosvenor Square on October 27th.

Yours sincerely,

A. Manchanda, General Secretary, B.V.S.F.



Political Power Grows Out of the Barrel of a Gun

COPY OF THE LETTER SENT BY A. MANCHANDA, GENERAL SECRETARY B.V.S.F. AND N. BATESON, SECRETARY OCTOBER 27TH COMMITTEE FOR SOLIDARITY WITH VIETNAM TO THE SECRETARY OF THE V.S.C.-Y.C.L. "AD BOC" CLIQUE COMMITTEE DATED OCTOBER 16TH AND THEIR REPLY.

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OCTOBER 27 COMMITTEE FOR SOLIDARITY WITH VIETNAM 1 Temple Fortune Mansions, London, N.W.11.

October 16th, 1968.

Mr. E. Guiton,
Secretary,
Ad Hoc Committee,
October 27th Mobilization,
120 Commercial Road,
London, E.1:

Dear Mr. Guiton,

As the heroic people of Vietnam are scoring more and more victories, the I.S. aggressors, finding themselves in a serious impasse, are resorting to all kinds of tricks.

In this situation, all the friends of the Vietnamese people should concert their actions against L.S. imperialism.

In order to realize the wishes of the vast majority of militant British youth and workers to have a united march to U.S. empassy on October 27th, we are approaching your committee to have joint consultations with us to work out a joint plan of action.

It is not too late yet.

If there is a mutual desire for a united march, there would be no difficulty as far as we are concerned, in making some changes in the route of the march to cover Whitehall and Downing Street on our way to Grosvenor Square.

We shall appreciate if you could arrange by return mail or preferably on the phone (in the mornings) mutually convenient time and place for a joint meeting of the representatives of our two committees.

Yours sincerely,

Signed: N. Jateson, (tel. no. given)
Secretary October 27 C mmittee
for Solidarity with Vietnam.

Signed: A. Manchanda, (tel. no. given)
General Secretary B.V.S.F.,
and member of October 27
Committee.

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your letter of the 16th October.

We are a little surprised that you now wish to collaborate with us in making Oct 27 the big success its bound to be.

Our surprise is due to the fact that only days ago you labelled this committee and certain individuals associated with it, to be revisionists, traitors and agents of US imperialism.

We take it you have now changed your minds about us, or changed your policy so as to allow you to collaborate with agents of US imperialism etc. We assume the former.

Your letter states that you wish to have joint consultations with us about a united march to the US embassy on October 27th" and that you are prepared to change the route of the march you are organising "to cover Whitehall and Downing Street on our way to Grosvenor Square".

As far as we are concerned the route of the demonstration has been discussed and decided upon. After a full discussion the decision was arrived at democratically at a meeting in which you were present.

It is true as your letter suggests that there is a powerful felling by militant youth and workers for a united action next Sunday. Anyone or any group who attempss to split this unity will be looked upon with the disgust they deserve.

We therefore suggest that you work to ensure a united demonstration and rally this Sunday by participating and marching the full route as decided upon some weeks ago, i.e. from the Embankment to Hyde Park via Blackfriars, Fleet Street, Whitehall and Victoria.

fraternally,

Alan Harris for the October 27 Ad-hoc committee.

# AS POLICE AGENTS AND STOOGES OF US IMPERIALISM

During the July 21st demonstration for solidarity with Vietnam the revisionist leaders of the "Young Communist League" were unmasked as agents of the police and of U.S. imperialism. Though they put up a facade of solidarity with Vietnam, it was obvious even in the preparatory stages and on July 21st itself that this was sheer fraud.

The July 21st Committee for Solidarity with Vietnam came into being in April and adopted the political stand expressed in the slogans U.S. AGGRESSORS GET OUT CF VIETNAM! VICTORY TO THE NATIONAL LIE-ERATION FRONT! VIETNAM IS ONE, THE VIETNAMESE ARE ONE! LONG LIVE HO CHI MINH! VICTORY TO THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE, FOR FREE-DOM, NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE AND FEACE! END RACIALISM AT HOME AND IN VIETNAM! END BRITISH COLLABORATION WITH THE U.S. WAR! ANCLO-AMERICAN IMPERIALISM IS THE ENEMY OF THE WORKING PEOPLE!

Fergus Nicolson and Barney Davis, leaders of the revisionist C.P.G.B. student committee and the Y.C.L., repudiated the political basis of the Committee by opposing the 'slogans. By refusing to accept "Victory to the N.L.F." (while fraudulently paying lip-service to solidarity) they refused to recognize that true solidarity requires a call for victory. By refusing to accept "Long live Ho Chi Minh" they refused to recognise the great leader of the 31 million Vietnamese people, both in the north and in the south. By repudiating "Vietnam is one, the Vietnamese people are one" they in fact served the U.S. plot to perpetuate the division of Vietnam and to make South Vietnam a colony, another proof of their phony solidarity with the N.L.F. By repudiating "Anglo-American imperialism is the enemy of the working people" they opposed the unity of the British working class and the Vietnamese people against their common enemy. By rejecting "U.S. aggressors get out of Vietnam" they showed that all their talk of independence and freedom for Vietnam is a fraud. On July 21st they carried placards saying "Stop bombing, start talking". In this way they in fact promoted the " peace talks" fraud peddled by Kosygin, U. Thant, the Pope, Indira Gandhi, Wilson and John Gollan along with other revisionist traitors and agents of U.S. imperialism. The Soviet revisionist renegades have been keeping up their pressure on the hercic Vietnamese

people to surrender to U.S. aggressors, through the "peace talks"plot in Paris.

The Y.C.L. leaders also tried to impose their "World Youth Festival" on the Committee and use July 21st as a publicity stunt for this youth jamboree in Sofia. (The theme of the Festival was supposed to "Solidarity with Vietnam". But when a group of participants tried to show genuine solidarity by demonstrating outside the U.S. Embassy in Sofia they were promptly beaten up and expelled from the country by the local revisionists.)

Having failed in their plots and manoeuvres against the resolute principled stand of the majority on the July 21st Committee for Solidarity with Vietnam and its elected secretariat, the Y.C.L. revisionist traitors, along with their V.S.C. and "Stop It" appendages, walked out of the committee, thus causing a split. They formed a parallel committee with their pacifist set in order to carry out their nefarious plot as worked out jointly with the police.

Even before the actual day of the demonstration a spokesman of the revisionist clique disclosed the names and addresses of various militant organisations to the police and connived with them for a so-called "controlled, peaceful demonstration under their stewards" This conspiracy was further developed at a meeting in the Conway Hall on July 19th. It is well known that on July 21st, the revisionists agreed with the police to isolate the militant sections in the march In Grosvenor Square they placed a line of Y. C.L. stewards as auxiliary policemen in front of the men in blue. When the militant demonstrators attempted to break into the green in Grosvenor Square, in order to get nearer the den of U.S. imperialism, these leaders of the "Young Cops League" threatened them, saying that anyone who entered the green would not come out again. When several of the rank and file Y.C.L.ers tried to join the militant section their own stewards tried to push, kick and drag them out of the square. One of the militants urged the Y.C.L. rank and file to stay and make their protest in the square. He was promptly attacked by two Y.C.L stewards. The Y.C.L. rank and file, howe er, saw through the tricks of their "lea lers": when the latter shouted "Join the march", the ranks shouted back "join the police". The treacherous leaders of the Y.C. acted in close coordination with the police high command.
Barney Davis was overheard instructing the police to delay their truncheon charge on the militants until his Y.C.L.ers were out of the square. Once they were out he was observed to give the signal for the charge. The police also put their loudspeaker equipment at the service of the Y.C.L. leadership so that they could instruct their members to leave the square.

For their service to U.S. imperialism and its agent the British government, praises were heaped upon the revisionist Y.C.L. by Callaghan and Sandys (the Labour and Tory agents of the capitalist class) by the imperialist press and by the police. A warm tribute was paid the Y.C.L. by police chief Commander John Lawlor. "The organisers and stewards played their part in preventing disorder, "he said' -- a "part" that clearly had been assigned them by the police. As though to hallow this new unity between King Street and Scotland Yard the two mass-circulation newspapers, the Express and Marror, selected two persons for special honours, a policeman and Miss Janice Ogg of the Y.C.L.

It is significant that the leading clique of the Vietnam "Solidarity" Campaign colluded with the Y.C.L. leaders in their whole comspiracy against the militants and their subversion of the cause of genuine solidarity with Vietnam.

The ruling class are not bothered about "peaceful". "symbolic" demonstrations which

do not challenge their oppressive rule. But they hate the awakening of working people and youth, their struggle against the oppressive system of imperialism, and their militant resistance to police brutalities. That is why we hail and support all the militants who demonstrate their genuine solidarity with the heroic people of Vietnam, who refuse to be cowed by police persecution and suppression, and who dare to stand up to the slanders and violence of the renegade revisionists, their imperialist masters and the prostitute press.

In France last May the revisionists betrayed the heroic struggle of the working class and youth. In Britain their counterparts in the Y.C.L. and their bosses in King Street are doing the same. This can-not go unchallenged. We call upon rank and file, militant members of the Y.C.L. to repudiate and denounce their treacherous leaders, to break their organisational shackles and join the Britain-Vietnam Soliderity Front to help build and strengthen a genuine movement of solidarity with Vietnam. We have every confidence that the Vietnamese People's War of liberation shall be victorious, that U.S. imperialism shall, be descated, and that the workers and youth of Britain shall overthrow the oppressive rule of Anglo-American imperialism and defeat the treachery of the revisionist saboteurs and other agents of the monopoly meanital who parade in the garb of Socialists and revolutionaries.

## Imperiation and All Reactionaries Are Paper Tigers

RESULTS OF 30 DAYS OF BATTLE (beginning January 29, 1968)



Total enemy troops wiped out

over 90,000

-- among them, U.S. aggressor end satellite troops

over 20,000



Puppet troops disintegrated (early February alone)

over 200,000



Enemy aircraft shot down or destroyed on the ground

over [],800

Enemy tanks and armoured cars

over [,300

Other enemy military vehicles destroyed several thousand

Enemy warships, including gunboots, sunk

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## AIMS OF THE BRITAIN-VIETNAM SOLIDARITY FRONT

- 1. The B.V.S.F. unreservedly and resolutely supports the national rights of the Vietnamese people to peace, independence, sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity of their fatherland— the national rights as embodied in the 4-point stand of the Government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and in the Political Programme of the South Vietnam Nation Front for Liberation.
- 2. The B.V.S.F. supports the revolutionary Vietnamese people's war against U.S. imperialist aggression, for the withdrawal from South Vietnam of all U.S. and satellite troops and weapons of war, the dismantling of military bases, and to let the south Vietnamese people settle their own affairs, by themselves, without any foreign interference, according to the programme of the N.F.L., the sole genuine representative of the south Vietnamese people.
- 3. The B.V.S.F. supports the demand for an immediate, complete and unconditional cessation of the bombing of north Vietnam and all acts of war by the U.S. imperialists against the sovereign Democratic Republic of Vietnam.
- 4. The B.V.S.F., recognising the fact that Vietnam is one country and one people, resolutely supports the unshakeable resolve of the people, both in the north and the south, to end U.S. aggression and proceed towards the peaceful re-unification of the fatherland.
- 5. The B.V.S.F. resolutely opposes the dual reactionary policy of U.S. imperialism—its "peace and negotiations" fraud on the one hand, and on the other the actual intensification and escalation of its aggression not only in Vietnam but in the whole of Indo-China and its war provocations against the People's Republic of China.

In particular the B.V.S.F. opposes all suggestions from Washington, Whitehall, Moscow and the United Nations that the rights of self-determination of the Vietnamese people are negotiable. All such suggestions are meant only to serve U.S. imperialist aggression, are an affront to the independence and sovereignty of the of the Vietnamese people and an encouragement to U.S. and other imperialists to brazenly interfere in the internal affairs of other countries.

6. The B.V.S.F. resolutely defends the independence and sovereignty of Britain. It resolutely opposes the policies of dependence and subservience to U.S. imperialism of the British ruling class, whether represented by the Tory or Labour governments, who are aiding and abetting U.S. policies of aggression in Vietnam and other countries, whilst at the same time attacking the living standards and the democratic rights of the British working people — all in order to safeguard and perpetuate the profits of the monopoly capitalists.

The B.V.S.F. extends resolute support to the mounting struggles of the working people in the defense and advancement of their interests and against the treachery of the revisionists and social-democrat renegades, the servitors of monopoly capital.

In order to achieve the unity of the militant youth and students with the working class struggle, the B.V.S.F. shall support the struggle for democratic education, cultural and sports facilities, and democratic liberties.

The B.V.S.F. resolutely opposes national and racial oppression, and it firmly supports the struggle for the unity of the working class against the conspiracy

to split and divide it on racial or national lines. For this it will wage a consistent struggle for equal democratic rights for all people irrespective of race, colour or national origin.

- 7. The B.V.S.F. will fight to win the British people to an understanding of their common interest with the oppressed peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, in their struggle against colonialism, neo-colonialism and imperialism, headed by the U.S.
- 8. The B.V.S.F. shall campaign for the unity and solidarity of the British people with the world-wide movement of opposition to U.S. imperialism, the main enemy of mankind, and to support the national liberation movements and the struggle for peace and social advance.

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