

China Denounces Border Bombings

TOKYO — (AP) — China said today U.S. air strikes in North Vietnam near the Chinese border threatens its security.

It charged that "these frenzied acts of aggression" are not only "new war crimes" against North Vietnam but also "grave provocations" against China.

A foreign ministry statement in Peking said:

"The Chinese government and people express their resolute support" for a North Vietnamese statement issued last Saturday condemning the United States for further dispatching many planes for raids against the Hanoi suburbs, Haiphong and other areas.

The statement was broadcast by Peking's New China News Agency.

Last week, U.S. Air Force jets swept to within 20 miles of China and wrecked a big North Vietnamese railroad marshalling yard and high-

way bridge only 40 seconds flying time from the China-Vietnam border.

The raids were reported the closest to the border since the 1965-68 bombing campaign against North Vietnam.

China said the United States "should know that the heroic peoples of Vietnam and the other Indochinese countries are by no means alone in their struggle."

It did not elaborate.

"For over a month, U.S. imperialism in defiance of the strong condemnation and opposition of the people throughout the world, had continued to escalate its war against the Democratic Republic of Vietnam," the statement added.