

# Insults At Vietnam Peace Talks

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Delegates to the Vietnam Peace Conference here traded sharp insults at their 153rd session yesterday.

As is customary, there was no reference to Tuesday's private meeting between presidential adviser Henry Kissinger and North Vietnamese politburo member Le Duc Tho.

But the relapse of the formal proceedings into harsh recrimination seemed to indicate that neither the Americans nor the North Vietnamese found any grounds for satisfaction in the encounter.

During a press briefing after the meeting, the North Vietnamese spokesman questioned President Nixon's "serenity of mind."

### 'DISAPPOINTED'

He said there has been no change "in the Nixon administration's policy of aggression and neocolonialism." The United States negotiator, William Porter, told newsmen as he left the talks that he was "rather disappointed with what went on today."

Porter had made a statement to the conference denouncing the Communists' "invective against the President of the United States."

"Your attempts to vilify President Nixon," he said, "as well as your continual slanders against the person of President Thieu neither enhance your arguments nor strengthen the prospect of useful negotiations. You would be well advised to abstain from egregious insult and to concentrate instead on the issues."

### THREAT?

David Lambertson, the American spokesman, was asked whether that constituted a threat to break off the talks, as the U.S. did last April for 10 weeks, saying it would only participate if substantive issues were discussed instead of propaganda.

Lambertson replied, "I would say it was a piece of good advice." Both sides have agreed to another meeting next Thursday.

The North Vietnamese charged that Mr. Nixon had "lied" about bombing dikes and civilians and that the raids on dikes and dams are

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continuing with mounting frequency.

Mr. Nixon said at a news conference July 27 that any bombing of dikes was "accidental" and that hits that

have taken place were on sites of minor importance. On July 28, the State Department issued a statement saying there had been 12 instances of dikes being bombed in North Vietnam.

Fuller story, giving details of bombing of dikes and dams, filed POWs - same date, NYTimes, Flora Lewis.