

# Food Riots Feared After Luzon Floods

WASHINGTON, Aug. 4 (AP)—Declaring there has been deliberate United States bombing of the North Vietnamese dike system, 10 Democratic Senators today asked Congress to go on record against it.

The White House and the State Department said that any bomb strikes on the dikes had been accidental, not deliberate. Such accusations "only serve to further the enemy propaganda effort," the White House spokesman said.

President Nixon has said he has ordered that no bombs be dropped on the dikes. The State Department said last week that there had been 12 accidental strikes on dikes and dams.

Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, said in the Senate it was clear to him that "if the dikes are in close proximity to a potential bombing target, the policy of the Administration is to bomb the dikes anyway, regardless of the consequences."

"It doesn't take a Philadelphia lawyer to label this policy for what it is—a policy of deliberately bombing dikes," he said.

Senator John V. Tunney, Democrat of California, said that if the dikes were bombed systematically and breached, 10 million or more North Vietnamese could drown or starve to death.

The White House press secretary, Ronald L. Ziegler, said that North Vietnam propaganda was intended to place the blame on United States bombing for flooding that traditionally occurs in North Vietnam during the rainy season.

The resolution proposed by the 10 Democrats cites President Nixon's pledge forbidding deliberate bombing of the dikes and adds:

"Resolved that it is the sense of the Senate that, in accordance with the above stated policy of the President, the United States shall not bomb or otherwise attack by air or sea the dams, dikes or hydraulic systems in North Vietnam."

Other Senators sponsoring the resolution are George Mc-

Govern, of South Dakota, the Democratic Presidential candidate; Fred R. Harris of Oklahoma, Thomas F. Eagleton of Missouri, Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, William Proxmire of Wisconsin, Birch Bayh of Indiana, Frank Church of Idaho and Abraham A. Ribicoff of Connecticut.

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HANOI, North Vietnam, Aug. 4 (Agence France-Presse)—A former United States Attorney General, Ramsey Clark, visited a hamlet yesterday that the North Vietnamese said had been bombed by American aircraft less than two weeks ago. He also watched villagers repairing damage to a dike.

Mr. Clark, who is a member of an international commission investigating the effects of American bombing, filmed several scenes with a movie camera, including women carrying a few pounds of earth to repair the damaged dike.

During a visit to Thai Binh coastal Province south of Hanoi, the former Attorney General under President Johnson was also shown damage to a sluiceway at Lan that the North Vietnamese said was caused by several raids at the end of last month.

According to official North Vietnamese figures, 35 sections of dikes in Thai Binh Province have been damaged by bombs.

### 7 Taken to Hamlet

Mr. Clark—accompanied by Prof. Yves Lacoste of France, Dr. Nina Kaskhova of the Soviet Union and four foreign newsmen—was taken by car along several miles of dikes to the hamlet of Namcuong, where the North Vietnamese said eight bombs were dropped by two flights of United States aircraft on July 21.

The visitors watched the villagers carrying earth to fill craters, some working with wheelbarrows, some carrying their loads in baskets fastened

to bamboo poles slung over their shoulders.

Officials said that 3,000 cubic yards of earth would be needed to fill the craters.

After the visit to Namcuong, Mr. Clark and the other visitors were taken to the Lan Sluiceway. North Vietnamese officials said that the Lan Sluiceway had been bombed or strafed nine times in the last three months.