

Raid Alerts Keep Hanoi Busy; War Called 'Re-Americanized'

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HANOI, North Vietnam, May 9 (Agence France-Presse)—The loudspeakers of Hanoi spoke out at 7:50 A.M. today, warning the inhabitants that "enemy planes" were 32 miles to the southeast.

A cloud cover hung over the city, and as the pre-alert warning was given what everyone assumed to be North Vietnamese MIG's could be heard overhead.

At 8:10 a full alert lasting five minutes was sounded, but here in Hanoi no bombs or guns were heard. The city was silent. The anti-aircraft crews were at their posts.

At 8:59 the loudspeakers said the enemy had flown off.

The morning newspapers, published before President Nixon announced the new American bombing and mining campaign, discussed what they believed to be the options open to the United States.

The party newspaper Nhan Dan said that "the Nixon group is in the process of getting into the rut of the Johnson group by re-Americanizing the war in Vietnam."

The army newspaper Quan Doi Nhan Dan spoke of what it described as American pressure on the Soviet Union and other socialist countries to halt their support of North Vietnam.

"Nixon is challenging the revolutionary peoples of the world, but they will meet his challenge," it said.

Later in the day, another warning was sounded and "enemy planes" were said to be about 45 miles southeast of Hanoi in Namha Province. Namdinh, the province capital, has reportedly been a daily target of American bombers since the middle of last week.