U.S. and Vietcong Plans For Peace Are Compared

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WASHINGTON, July 15-Following is a chart comparing peace proposals by President Nixon in June, 1969, and October, 1970, with Vietcong positions in 1969 and July, 1971. Mr. Nixon has not yet replied to the latest Vietcong proposal.

CEASE-FIRE

NIXON, 1970—Immediate negotiations for cease-fire in place throughout Indochina that is to be internationally supervised.

LATEST VIETCONG-To be carried out after agreement

on withdrawal of forces is reached.

NIXON, 1969—International body acceptable to both sides to supervise cease-fires (presumably local), plus a cessation of combat after year of troop withdrawals.

VIETCONG, 1969—Not specified.

WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS

NIXON, 1970-Agreed timetable for complete withdrawals as part of an over-all settlement, based on principles previously defined.

LATEST VIETCONG—Total withdrawal of all U.S. and other foreign troops during 1971 phased with release of prisoners by each side; no attacks by Vietcong during with-

drawal.

NIXON, 1969—Gradual withdrawal of most U.S., allied and North Vietnamese forces over 12 months, following agreement on mutual withdrawals; remaining forces not to engage in combat, remaining U.S. and allied troops to be withdrawn completely as North Vietnamese South Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos.

VIETCONG, 1969—Unconditional withdrawal of all forceign troops, with no date set.

PRISONERS OF WAR

NIXON, 1970-Immediate and unconditional release of

all prisoners on both sides.

LATEST VIETCONG—Release of all prisoners to be carried out as U.S. withdraws all troops; all to be released

in 1971. NIXON, 1969—Earliest possible release on both sides. VIETCONG, 1969—Release to be negotiated after war is over.

INTERIM PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT

NEXON, 1970-Right of South Vietnamese self-determin-

ation, no exclusion of specific personalities.

LATEST VIETCONG—Government of Nguyen Van Thieu to be replaced; previous references to dropping Ky and Khiem dropped. Vietcong will negotiate with new government.

NIXON, 1969—Full participation of all political elements not using force. No coercion to impose any form of

VIETCONG, 1969--Coalition of all political tendencies that stand for peace, independence, neutrality.

NIXON, 1970—Fair political solution that reflects will of South Vietnamese and existing relationship of political

LATEST VIETCONG--General elections to be held under supervision of provisional government.

NIXON, 1969—Elections open to all who renounce use

of force, under international supervision.

VIETCONG, 1969—South Vietnamese to decide for them-selves without foreign interference.

REUNIFICATION

NIXON, 1970-Not mentioned; previous principle presumably stands.

LATEST VIETCONG-To be achieved step by step, through peaceful means without foreign interference.

NIXON, 1969—No objection if decision reflects free

choice of South Vietnamese.

VIETCONG, 1969-Same as October, 1970. FOREIGN POLICY

NIXON, 1970—Not mentioned; previous principle pre-

sumably stands.

LATEST VIETCONG—Neutrality and diplomatic rela-

tions with all nations.

NIXON, 1969—Neutrality acceptable if South Vietnamese

choose it.
VIETCONG, 1969—Neutrality, with specific reference to respect for Cambodian and Laotian sovereignty.