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From book review of "Fire in the Lake," by Frances FitzGerald:

..... The author quotes Henry Kissinger as saying it is "beyond imagination that parties that have been murdering and betraying each other for 21 years could work together." But according to FitzGerald, the biggest recent change in Vietnam's mood is the intensifying hostility not toward each other but toward all foreigners, especially in the packed, volatile cities. Arguing historically, moreover, she thinks that it is not a bit beyond imagination that the Vietnamese can reach accommodation with each other in a search for the "correct" way to live and order their life as a nation.