

Tough Speech in Hanoi

Saigon

North Vietnamese Premier Pham Van Dong has made a major speech that American analysts here describe as "uncompromising" in its insistence on continuing the fight for a settlement of the war on the Communists' terms.

(SEP) The speech, made Friday in Hanoi and excerpted extensively in English-language broadcasts of the North Vietnamese radio that afternoon, was given at a celebration of North Vietnam's national day, September 2.

The tough terms of Dong's speech were accompanied by a message from Chinese Communist party Chairman Mao Tse-tung, also broadcast in English Friday, pledging "all-out support and assistance" to the North Vietnamese war effort.

MONITORED

The North Vietnamese declarations were monitored by United States government agencies.

In his speech, the North Vietnamese premier emphasized that the only acceptable political settlement was the one advanced by the North Vietnamese and the Viet Cong — a "coalition government" without President Nguyen Van Thieu, which the U.S. has rejected as meaning the imposition of a Communist government

over the people of South Vietnam.

Dong said that "the United States government must completely stop the war of aggression against the Vietnamese people, completely end the 'Vietnamization of the war' policy, completely halt all activities of its air, naval and ground forces against the Vietnamese people in both zones, no matter where these activities come from, withdraw the troops, military personnel and advisers of the United States and those of the other foreign countries in the U.S. camp out of South Vietnam, completely dismantle all U.S. military bases in South Vietnam, completely give up all U.S. military commitment to the Saigon puppet administration."

TALKS

"The talks in Paris, to the United States, are merely a maneuver serving the 'Vietnamization' policy, a smoke-screen to cover up the war and deceive public opinion, chiefly in the U.S." the premier said.

The fact that such a reiteration of the North Vietnamese hard line preceded by only one day Hanoi's decision to release three captured American pilots indicated to U.S. officials here that the prisoner release

was not intended to convey any impression of softness or compromise.

"We are always well aware that a genuine and stable peace actually can be obtained only through the fight for independence and freedom and can be only the result of the victory over the war of aggression of U.S. imperialists," the speech said.

'DANGEROUS'

"All illusions and all compromises on this crucial question will be very dangerous, as has been proved by so many examples found in various parts of the world."

This relatively mild admonition to beware of compromise was not accompanied, as some recent editorials in the official North Vietnamese press have been, by any specific remarks directed at Hanoi's allies in Moscow and Peking.

Instead the speech sent "warm greetings to the people of the Soviet Union, China and other fraternal Socialist countries" and expressed "sincere and profound gratitude for their sympathy, their heartfelt and disinterested support and their great and efficacious assistance."

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