

Hanoi Terms for Freeing All Pilots

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Premier Pham Van Dong of North Vietnam has reiterated that the North Vietnamese want to release all captured American pilots and will do so when there is agreement on settling the war.

Dong said in an informal 90-minute discussion Sunday, attended by this reporter and the four anti-war activists who came to Hanoi to escort home three released

flyers, that President Nixon is aware of the need for a settlement before the remaining pilots could be freed. He asserted that there is no misunderstanding on this point.

The premier said the framework for settlement of the war has long been available in the seven-point proposal put forward by the provisional revolutionary government, the Viet Cong. This calls for the total withdrawal of American forces

and the formation of a coalition government.

Dong said the clarification statement on the three-party coalition government made by Mrs. Nguyen Thi Binh, the Viet Cong peace delegation head, in Paris on September 11 should be stressed.

Under this formula, President Nguyen Van Thieu of South Vietnam would be excluded, but the Saigon government would name one-third, the Viet Cong another third, and the final third would include Catholics, Buddhists, exiled South Vietnamese in Paris and others.

Dong declined comment on the meetings between U.S. presidential aide Henry A. Kissinger and Le Duc Tho, adviser to the Hanoi peace delegation, on the grounds of secrecy.

The premier also said the

time has come to consider aid to North Vietnam for reconstruction of the damage caused by the bombing.

Dong told the delegation that the Vietnamese people knew who is responsible for the destruction, and knew who should supply the aid.

He did not directly say the United States should aid in reconstruction, but said it is the answer. *Associated Press*