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Boycott Of U.S. Set Over Raids

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Opposition to the renewed bombing of North Vietnam spread among labor unions abroad yesterday as an Australian union announced a boycott of American shipping.

Meanwhile, all the political parties in Sweden's Parliament—both those in the government and those in the opposition—signed a joint appeal calling on President Nixon to end the bombing immediately.

In Sydney, the Seaman's Union of Australia announced a nationwide boycott of all American shipping to protest the bombing. No tugs will be available to American ships and in some ports there will be no facilities for them to take on pilots.

E. V. Elliott, federal secretary of the union, said other waterfront unions were considering action but declined to elaborate saying that was up to each union.

A similar boycott for all of Europe was proposed by Danish dockworkers. Thomas Nielson, head of the Danish union federation, said he would meet other labor leaders from around Europe next week to discuss what action to take.

The Times of London said it did not believe that Mr. Nixon would be able to break North Vietnamese moral with its bombing campaign.

"The bombing of Britain during the last war stiffened the resolution of the people and spurred them to fight on, as is well remembered," The Times said.

"There is little indication that it will have any more telling effect in Vietnam."

Two British Labor Party leaders—former Prime Minister Harold Wilson and his chancellor of the exchequer, Roy Jenkins—both condemned the bombing. Jenkins, a Labor moderate, called it "one of the most cold-blooded actions in recent history."