

World Protest of Bombing

London

International opposition to the intensified U.S. bombing of North Vietnam gained momentum yesterday with rallies, official protests and demonstrations organized by individual groups and political parties.

In Peking, almost the entire Chinese leadership led a rally by 10,000 people in the Great Hall of the People to protest the air raids, reaffirm China's support for Hanoi's stand at the Paris peace talks and to honor the visiting chief Viet Cong negotiator at the talks, Nguyen Thi Binh.

In Stockholm, more than 200,000 Swedes signed a declaration sponsored by all Swedish political parties calling on President Nixon to end the bombardment of North Vietnam.

UNPRECEDENTED

The unprecedented all-party declaration was adopted Thursday by Premier Olof Palme and opposition leaders amid a deepening crisis of relations between Sweden and the U.S.

At the same time Palme announced he would personally collect signatures at a rally in Flen, central Sweden, today. It was also reported that opposition leaders would make similar symbolic gestures, such as knocking on doors with the petition.

The declaration calls for a bombing halt and urges all parties to the Indochina conflict "to sign a peace agreement in accordance with the principles agreed upon in

U.S. Flag Burned

Auckland, New Zealand

Anti-Vietnam war demonstrators in Wellington yesterday burned the U.S. flag that had been flying at half-staff in tribute to former President Harry S. Truman.

About 80 demonstrators gathered outside the U.S. Embassy to protest the increased bombing of North Vietnam. They lowered the flag to the street and burned it.

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October by the United States and North Vietnam."

OTHERS

Other demonstrations and protests.

OSLO: Norway called on the U.S. to halt the bombing and Foreign Minister Dagfinn Vaarvik said in an interview that the U.S. was risking losing traditional goodwill because of the war.

ROME: a government announcement said Cabinet members had instructed Foreign Minister Giuseppe Medici to "renew his insistence" that the bombing stop.

In Taranto, southern Italy, about 1000 demonstrators marched through the town Thursday night in the latest of a series of countrywide marches since the renewed heavy raids over North Vietnam began.

BRUSSELS: Deputy Foreign Minister, Henri Fayat, expressed the Belgian People's "profound emotion" and concern over the raids.

BONN: Six lawmakers

from Chancellor Willy Brandt's Social Democratic party called on President Nixon to stop the bombing of North Vietnam immediately. They likened it to the Nazi bombing of civilians in the Spanish Civil War.

"The high moral claim of the World War II victor against injustice and violence is being reduced to absurdity in the most perverse ways," said a telegram to Mr. Nixon from the six members of the Bundestag.

ZURICH: The Social Democratic party of Zurich canton, the largest canton in Switzerland, and Zurich city appealed to the federal cabinet to declare the opposition of the Swiss people to the bombing. The Social Democrats have two of the seven cabinet posts in the four-party federal cabinet.

BELGRADE: President Josip Tito described the U.S. policy in Vietnam as a challenge to mankind and regretted that not many countries have so far raised their voice against it.

EAST BERLIN: East German Communist party chief Erich Honecker condemned the "murderous bombing terror" against North Vietnam and pledged his country's continuing support for the Vietnamese people.

MOSCOW: The Soviet Union pledged all-out aid to

Vietnam, condemned what it termed the barbaric American bombing of the north and called on the U.S. to sign an early peace agreement.

COPENHAGEN: Denmark's Prime Minister Anker Joergensen called an extraordinary cabinet meeting to consider an appeal to the U.N. Secretary - General to put pressure on the U.S. to stop the bombing and resume peace talks.

The Danish government was considering a suggestion to grant special and immediate aid to North Vietnam, instead of dividing aid between the two Vietnams as it has done so far.

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