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Le Duc Tho, who signed the Vietnamese cease-fire agreement with U. S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger two years ago, charged the Ford administration yesterday with "giving a new path to the war" by urging additional military aid for the Saigon government.

Speaking on North Vietnamese television to mark the second anniversary of the accord, Tho, a member of the North Vietnamese Politburo, said the Ford administration is attempting to "intimidate the Vietnamese people" through military aid to South Vietnam and by "sending aircraft carriers and warships to the South Vietnamese territorial waters and putting U.S. troops stationed in Okinawa on alert."

"All these threats are of no avail to the Vietnamese people," Tho said. He said South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu must be overthrown because he has "scrapped" the Paris agreement.

Tho and Kissinger were awarded the 1973 Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts in negotiating the agreement. Kissinger accepted the award, but Tho rejected it on grounds that the fighting in South Vietnam had not stopped.

Last week Mr. Ford announced he will ask Congress for an additional \$300 million in supplemental military aid. Congress had cut military aid for the fiscal year by half the administration's original request to \$700 million.

Tho called on the United States to end its support of Thieu.

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