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APPEAL OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT OF THE OSPAAAL ON THE OCCASION OF THE WEEK OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE HEROIC PEOPLE OF VIET NAM (FROM THE 13th to the 19th of MARCH, 1967).

At present, there rages in Viet Nam a criminal war of aggression unleashed by Yankee imperialists who, in March 1950, when they sent their warships and planes to intervene in the Indochinese conflict, were ousted from that zone by the successful struggle of over half a million inhabitants of Saigon.

As imperialist leaders, bent on conquering world supremacy, the Yankee imperialists have extended their claws to all parts of the world, installing over three thousand military bases and maintaining their domination over many nations in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Nevertheless, they are now receiving harsh blows from the Vietnamese people. Developing the revolutionary spirit of March 19th, 1950, the people of Viet Nam vanquished the French colonialists and are today victoriously confronting the war of aggression of Northamerican imperialism.

They have thrown into the war of aggression that Yankee imperial ists are carrying on against Viet Nam over a fourth of their military resources, over 415,000 expeditionary U.S. troops and 60,000 sent by satellite governments, all supplied with the most modern weapons, in order to intensify the war of aggression in the South; they have continued the "escalating" of their war of aggression against the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam, savagely bombarding the population, including the principal cities and the capital of the country, while using deceitful methods in reference to their "peace negotiations", obtaining as a result the most humiliating defeats and suffering considerable losses, an example of which is the destruction of over 1,700 planes by the anti-aircraft defenses of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam.

The people of Viet Nam, in the vanguard of the struggle against Yankee imperialists, continue to hoist the flag of national liberation, fighting for the independence and freedom of their country as well as the common cause of all the peoples. In response to the appeal of the First Tricontinental Conference of Solidarity, held in Havana last year, the peoples of Africa, Asia and Latin America and the other peoples of the world carried out a Week of Solidarity with very positive results.

This year, in order to strengthen and develop even more the front of militant solidarity with the Vietnamese people in their anti-Yankee struggle, the Executive Secretariat of the OSPAAAL has convoked the holding of a Week of Solidarity with Viet Nam, from the 13th to the 19th of March, 1967.

The Executive Secretariat of the OSPAAAL calls on all the member Organizations and the National Committees, the peoples of Africa, Asia, Latin America and of the whole world, to work in a most active and efficient manner in the organization of this event, thus assisting the people of Viet Nam in their struggle against Yankee imperialism, the common enemy of all humanity.

The Executive Secretariat of the OSPAAAL exhorts the socialist countries, all progressive governments and the International Organizations to fulfill their historic responsibility, joining the people of Viet Nam in order to defeat Yankee imperialists, aggressors and bellicist; to support fully the Four Point position of the Government of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam and the Five Point Declaration of the National Front of Liberation of South Viet Nam; demanding the retreat of the imperialists from South Viet Nam; the final and unconditional ceasing of the Northamerican bombardments to the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam and the acknowledgement of the National Front of Liberation of South Viet Nam as the sole and genuine representative of the people of South Viet Nam.

The Executive Secretariat of the OSPAAAL extends its appeal to the revolutionary organizations, the progressive forces in Africa,

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Asia and Latin America, and in the whole world, including in the United States, to fan even more the flames of the revolutionary struggle, in order to attain, by fighting side by side with the heroic people of Viet Nam, the defeat of Yankee imperialism, the conquest of independence, the freedom of the peoples and the defense of world peace.

Everyone united with the Vietnamese people to defeat the Northamerican imperialist aggression!

The people of Viet Nam will win!

EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT OF THE OSPAAAL

Havana, February 24th., 1967.

THIS GREAT HUMANITY HAS SAID: "ENOUGH"! AND HAS STARTED TO MOVE FORWARD.