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Revolutionary Committees Are Fine

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**Chekiang Provincial Revolutionary
Committee Triumphantlly Founded
In Excellent Nationwide Situation**

**War of Aggression Against Vietnam
Accelerates Bankruptcy of the Dollar**

of this estimate has accelerated the loss of "confidence" in the dollar in the Western financial markets.

A Vicious Cycle

In short, U.S. imperialism is sick to the core. Its defeat in the war of aggression against Vietnam and the worsening dollar crisis are its two major maladies at present, which affect and aggravate each other.

The U.S. imperialist war of aggression against Vietnam constitutes a very important factor in aggravating the financial plight of the United States. Continuous war expansion by U.S. imperialism to save itself from defeat in Vietnam is bound to deepen the dollar crisis, which in turn is certain to add to the great difficulties of U.S. imperialism in its aggressive war against Vietnam. This vicious cycle will prove fatal for U.S. imperialism.

This vicious cycle is by no means transient or accidental. It is the product of the internal contradictions inherent in the system of imperialism and of the diverse contradictions confronting U.S. imperialism at present. Setting itself against the people of the whole world, U.S. imperialism is engaged in frenzied aggressive and expansionist activities. But its manpower, mil-

itary, material and financial resources are far from sufficient to realize its ambition of world domination. Battered by the world's surging revolutionary tide which makes the four seas rise and the five continents rock, U.S. imperialism, which is outwardly strong but inwardly weak, is sinking fast with each passing day; it is now in ever-worsening straits and is being buffeted from one side to the other. It cannot tackle one problem without neglecting another. To reinforce its military strength for aggression, is to exhaust its financial resources; and to remedy its financial crisis, is to make its military strength for aggression still less adequate to cope with the situation. The present grave dollar crisis broke out precisely against the background of these insurmountable contradictions.

Our great teacher Chairman Mao has pointed out: **"Irreconcilable domestic and international contradictions, like a volcano, menace U.S. imperialism every day. U.S. imperialism is sitting on this volcano."**

There is no doubt that the succession of "earthquakes," big and small, which take place one after another in the capitalist world, will eventually lead to the final eruption of the volcano and thus bring about the total collapse of U.S. imperialism.

Victory Will Definitely Go to the Arab People

by "RENMIN RIBAO" COMMENTATOR

AFTER brashly declaring the Arab territories it has seized to be a "military occupation zone," Israël, U.S. imperialism's tool of aggression, suddenly embarked on a full-scale military invasion of Jordan on March 21. Firm resistance was put up by the Jordanian troops and the Palestinian people's anti-imperialist armed forces, and the Israeli aggressors were forced to retreat to the western bank of the Jordan River after suffering heavy losses.

The repeated military provocations recently started by the Israeli aggressors against the Arab countries clearly reveal the expansionist design of U.S. imperialism and its lackey to permanently occupy Arab territories. Though repulsed in their latest armed invasion of Jordan, it is certain that the U.S.-Israeli aggressors will not reconcile themselves to their failure. Israeli Minister of Defence Moshe Dayan recently clamoured for a "prolonged campaign" against the Palestinian people's armed forces and made it clear that Israel would not abandon "the position gained" in its war of aggression. This means that the Israeli brigands are trying to use force to browbeat the Arab countries into submission and to stamp out the flames of the armed struggle of the Palestinian people against imperialism.

Our great teacher Chairman Mao has pointed out: **"What is a true bastion of iron? It is the masses, the**

millions upon millions of people who genuinely and sincerely support the revolution. That is the real iron bastion which it is impossible, and absolutely impossible, for any force on earth to smash."

The Palestinian people's armed forces, which are a new-born force, have played an active part in repulsing the latest Israeli aggression. What they rely on is not superior weapons and equipment but the masses who, having taken up arms genuinely and sincerely, fight bravely and heroically. So long as they remain undaunted and persist in armed struggle, the Palestinian and other Arab people are sure to defeat the Israeli aggressors backed by U.S. imperialism.

In regard to the struggle against aggression waged by the Arab people, and by the Palestinian people in particular, the ruling Soviet revisionist clique has always used the two-faced counter-revolutionary tactics of sham support but real betrayal. In the wake of this new Israeli aggression launched with U.S. support against the Arab countries, the Soviet clique hastily issued a statement hypocritically professing its readiness to "take part" in "sanctions" against Israel while at the same time advocating a "political solution" of the Middle East problem in the United Nations. Bluntly

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**Revolutionary Committees of Hunan Province
And Ningsia Hui Autonomous Region Founded**

***Murderous Intent Revealed Before the
Scheme Is Fully Unfolded***

by "Renmin Ribao" Commentator

ROUND THE WORLD

The seizure of power by armed force, the settlement of the issue by war, is the central task and the highest form of revolution. This Marxist-Leninist principle of revolution holds good universally, for China and for all countries.

— MAO TSE-TUNG

S. VIETNAM P.L.A.F.

Victories at Khe Sanh

In a week of fierce fighting from April 3 to 9 on the Khe Sanh battlefield, Quang Tri Province, the South Vietnam People's Liberation Armed Forces wiped out 2,193 enemy troops, mainly U.S. aggressors, and shot down or destroyed on the ground 19 enemy aircraft. They also captured large quantities of arms and military materiel.

On April 3, the U.S. bandits sent the U.S. 1st Cavalry Division aggressor troops to Dat Can outpost in a vain attempt to rescue the several thousand U.S. marines who were heavily besieged there by the P.L.A.F. When this enemy force reached Ban Cat and Ban Khoai, about five kilometres southeast of Dat Can, they were intercepted by the P.L.A.F. In several hours of hard fighting, the P.L.A.F. smashed seven enemy assaults.

That same day, the P.L.A.F. artillery heavily bombarded a company of U.S. marines breaking out from the southwestern side of Dat Can and a column of the U.S. 1st Cavalry Division arriving at Mo Chuong, southeast of Dat Can. Over 70 U.S. troops were put out of action. The next day, the artillery shelled a battalion of U.S. and puppet troops.

On the morning of April 6, two companies of U.S. marines from the Dat Can outpost launched an attack on Hill 595, but six heroic P.L.A.F. defenders immediately went into action to intercept the enemy, smashing his repeated attacks and putting 115 U.S. aggressor troops out of action. The next day, two companies of U.S. marines again tried to take Hill 595. The six P.L.A.F. fighters, covered by other units, again repulsed repeated attacks and in four hours

of bitter fighting they wiped out over a hundred U.S. aggressor troops, shot down a helicopter and damaged two jet aircraft.

From April 7 to the early hours of the following day, the P.L.A.F. dealt a staggering blow at the puppet 3rd Airborne Column which was airlifted to Hill 519, northeast of Lang Vay. They killed and wounded 650 puppet troops, practically wiping out two puppet airborne battalions and capturing large quantities of arms and other military supplies.

On April 9, the P.L.A.F. heavily shelled the U.S. troops on Hills 832 and 689. The accurate fire caused heavy losses to the enemy.

INDONESIAN PEOPLE'S ARMED FORCES

Active in the Villages

Hitting hard at the reactionary rule of the Suharto-Nasution fascist military regime, the Indonesian people's armed forces, which have carried out guerrilla activities in the vast countryside, have scored fresh successes in the first quarter of the year.

Carrying on their revolutionary tradition, the people in East Java have developed guerrilla warfare in the villages where the reactionary rule is most vulnerable. Guerrillas have been active in the rural areas surrounding Malang, Kediri, Banjuwangi, Djember, Blitar and other cities and towns in East Java. With the help of the villagers, they had, by mid March, brought to book and executed 96 despot landlords, local tyrants, evil gentry and reactionary officials. These activities had so scared the local reactionaries that "they could not sleep well and live in peace."

In West Kalimantan, the heroic people's forces have displayed ingenuity and resource in their at-

tacks on the enemy. Since January 2, they have fought scores of battles with the troops sent on "encirclement and suppression" campaigns — the army commando regiment, the Sumatra paratroop commando battalion, the Kudjang battalion of the fascist regime's "elite" Siliwangi Division. They have time and again defeated the counter-revolutionary campaigns. On February 11, a contingent of 40 people's fighters ambushed at Kelingkang Hill a company of the invading Sumatra paratroop commando battalion. They inflicted numerous casualties on the enemy and gave him a hard time.

While fighting the enemy, the people's forces have also developed production by relying on their own efforts. In the Engkiluh region, together with the local peasants, they have opened up and planted crops on 15 hectares of wasteland.

As Chairman Mao has taught us, "A single spark can start a prairie fire." The flames of the people's armed struggle will certainly light up all of Indonesia's islands.

PALESTINIAN PEOPLE'S ARMED STRUGGLE

Guerrillas on the Attack

The Palestinian people's armed struggle against U.S. imperialism and its tool for aggression Israel is gaining momentum.

Led by the underground nationalist organization "Fatah," the "Hurricane" commandos are carrying out guerrilla activities in occupied Arab areas. Armed struggle is raging everywhere from the Golan Highlands of Syria in the north to the Port of Eilat in the Gulf of Aqaba, from the Beisan Valley and the mountainous regions of Nablus on the western bank of the Jordan River to big cities like Jerusalem.

Since the beginning of this year, the guerrillas have launched over 100 attacks on the Israeli aggressors. With home-made bombs, land mines and weapons of various sorts, they ambushed the enemy troops everywhere, blew up military vehicles, attacked enemy barracks and damaged military installations, forcing the aggressors into a passive position. In the

first 15 days of March alone, they killed more than one hundred Israeli aggressor troops.

On March 21 the guerrillas mined the Gaza airport and communication lines in the Gaza Strip. They blew up an Israeli patrol car and a jeep, killing an Israeli officer and a soldier and wounding several others. On March 25, they laid mines on the main railway lines north of Beit Hanun also in the Gaza Strip. A train was blown up and railway traffic disrupted for two days.

On the night of March 20, the guerrillas ambushed three cars in the suburbs of Tel Aviv. Defence Minister Dayan, chieftain of the Israeli aggressor army, was seriously wounded in the ambush. In two battles fought at Jericho and Hebron in early March, the guerrillas killed the

deputy commander of the Jericho military zone and the deputy commander of the Jerusalem military zone.

When Israeli Prime Minister Eshkol was in the United States in January, Johnson had assured him of American arms supplies to Israel. Johnson also sent a large number of American military advisers to Israel to directly assist the Zionists in massacring the Palestinian people. However, the Palestinian guerrillas have given these American hangmen their deserts. On March 29, the guerrillas mined a highway near Masada in northern Israel. A limousine with a number of American military "experts" in it was blown up. Several of these gangsters were killed or wounded. On the same night, the guerrillas wounded an American

"adviser" in an engagement fought in Beisan Valley.

In the last week of March, the guerrillas achieved still greater successes. They mounted more than 20 attacks, killing 110 enemies, destroying 3 tanks and 18 military vehicles and blowing up or destroying many military posts, strongholds, oil stores and weapons.

The Palestinian people are paying much attention to integrating Mao Tse-tung's thought with the concrete conditions of their struggle and are waging a flexible, guerrilla war. A guerrilla leader said, "We are defeating the Israeli aggressors by following Chairman Mao's strategic principles. We'll continue to study his works and, on the basis of this study, will carry on our struggle against the American and Israeli aggressors."

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