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Slogan: Fellow countrymen! Prepare for armed insurrection to restore our country!

① The Misery of A Country lost

Recently comrade Q.T wrote a letter to the newspaper telling what we should do to ^{quickly} unite, consolidate, prepare for armed insurrection, because we have been so miserable for so many years being the citizens of a lost country, especially when the country is lost to two foreign invaders. Then comrade Q.T cited a number of miseries of the people of a lost country.

1) ~~To~~ working as coolies, which is to say to ~~work~~ ^{do} without being paid the back-breaking work and to be beaten occasionally.

2) Paying taxes. The poll tax is the barbarous tax that is not seen in any country.

3) Having no right to freedom. No right to expressions, no right to travelling, no right to schooling.

4) Not allowed to master our country, our house, our property. Rice is abundant, but we are hungry. Salt is produced in plenty, but we have no salt for food. The country is rich, but the people are very poor.

5) The country is ours, the people are ours, but the right to rule the country and the people is in the enemy's hand, so our people are only slaves.

6) The country is ours, and we love our country, we want our country to be independent, but we are imprisoned and even executed by the enemy for our desire.

7) Everybody wants freedom, happiness. But the enemy oppresses us, making us miserable. If we resist, we will be imprisoned, sometimes executed.

8) The illiterate French, but are high-ranking officials whose salaries amount to 500 or 800 dong. The Vietnamese have doctoral degrees, but under the French supervision, getting salaries of only 100 dong.

9) The Japanese soldier, an ordinary citizen in his country, but becomes a god in our country who can plunder anything he wants, kill anyone and arrest anyone he wants.

10) Their country is in war, and they force us to go to their war and die for them.

11) They force us to call them excellencies, Mr, and they call us Nicks, Jacks.

12) Our country's name is Vietnam. France threw away that name, and calls it Dong Phap, which means France in East Asia.

13) Every country has its own ^{national} flag, but our national flag is hung only in mountains and forests, not allowed to be seen by the people.

14) When going abroad, foreigners call us natives of an enslaved country, which means the natives of a lost country who are slaves of others.

We are so miserable, so brothers and sisters, what should we do? - The newspaper V. M. D. L.

② Ordinary self-defence and Combat self-defence

1. What are self-defence force organized for? The self-defence force is organized to defend the people, which is to say to do the work such as to investigate, keep guard, protect the organs, guide the revolutionaries and communicate. Must the self-defence force do all these work? ~~Yes~~ ^{must} Yes. But the combat do all these work? Yes. So on this point the two are similar. But the combat self-defence must accomplish all the work that

are impossible for the ordinary self-defence to do. That is the difference.

2. In the future when the insurrection breaks out what will the ordinary self-defence do? They will be taking charge of protecting the revolution, the local people and of assisting the guerrillas anything within their capacity. And the combat self-defence at that time will no longer be the self-defence, but will become the guerrilla force which will go everywhere, using the guerrilla tactic to fight France and Japan. Then they will be quite different from each other.

3. Because the combat self-defence will become the guerrilla force in the insurrection, so from now on the combat self-defence units must ~~become~~^{be} strictly disciplined, well-trained and well-informed of the guerrilla tactic. That is also the difference between the two kinds.

The newspaper V.N.P.L.

③ Domestic News

American, Chinese planes attacked the military installations of France, Japan, causing serious damages to the latter. Even the well-hidden oil storages and ammunition storages of France and Japan have been located and destroyed by heavy bombings of the American planes.

④ World News

1) In Russia, the Red Army is launching offensives on all fronts and in some places in the south, it has advanced for 200 km.

2) Britain and America have totally occupied the Sicily Island. The Germany and Italian troops ran away as quickly as they could. British and American planes are also heavily bombing France, Germany and Italy. Italy could not hold on defend. Rome, so had to declare the

city open and proposed Britain and America not to bomb it

⑤ Thanks to Supporters

⑥ Supports to the Newspaper

⑦ Viewing the Moon and Sending a Message to Friends

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