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① A Letter from V. N. D. L to the Liberation Army
 The Liberation Army !

The moment for liberation has come. The short enemy is extremely weak. The Allied forces are going to attack Indochina. The opportunity to fight the enemy for national salvation that we have expected for a very long time is within our reach.

In order to take the opportunity, the Liberation Army has been founded. Our liberation army will be powerful because it was founded on the determination to fight and sacrifice of the most trustworthy fighters of the country, the organization, on the enthusiastic assistance of the people in the rear, on the long ardent expectations of the entire people.

The L. A. is preparing to move to the battlefield.

The whole world is waiting for us. In Europe, the Red Army and the Allied forces ~~are~~ fighting the final battles with the German army, will be glad to hear the gunshots of the Vietnamese nation to kill the fascists. The Allied forces in the Pacific will be willing to find out a strong ^{courageous} internal assistance to them. The entire people will be extremely excited to wait for news of victories in the front.

Soldiers of the L. A. !

The fate of our country is in your hands. The victories you gain on one side will have an impact on the Allied forces which they will be willing to support and assist us, on the other side will have impact on the entire people who will make much more efforts in the rear, and provide more soldiers to the front.

The fate of our country is in your hands, especially when the Allied forces attack Indochina. Then it will be the moment that we decide our fate ourselves. As long as we prove ourselves

capable of fighting Japan and our anti-fascist spirits the Allied countries will recognize our interests to the extent of our efforts. Japan will be anyway defeated, but we must show the world that we can help to partly defeat them. Japan will surely be driven out of Indochina, but we must show the world that we can help to drive them out of our country. That is the way we use our rights to freedom and independence.

Soldiers of the L. A. !

Your task of using our rights to freedom and independence is ~~the~~ more burdening than that of anyone else. You must clearly perceive it when you are marching to the front.

While waiting the news of your victories, the newspaper V. N. D. L. would like to chant:

Long live the independent Vietnam !

Long live the Liberation Army !

V. N. D. L.

② The Foundation of the First Units of the L. A.

So far the people have heard of the Propaganda Army. The P. A. is the preceding organization for the L. A. Now the opportunity has come, and conditions to found a L. A. are sufficient, so the Inter-province Committee has decided to found the L. A.

The foundation of the L. A. was scheduled on 26-27 of Feb. lunar calendar, or 8-9 of April, 1945. Many people volunteered to join the army, but the Committee had only chosen a fixed number. There are some women volunteers in the army.

The Foundation Ceremony:

The Foundation Ceremony of the L. A. took place in a hall which was full of enthusiastic spirit for the country with red flags flying everywhere around the hall and thousand of excited and happy people, serious and powerful-looking soldiers.

After the procedural ceremony of the song "under the flag" and

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3 minutes silence in memory of the dead soldiers in the fights against fascism, a representative of the Viet Minh took floor to deliver a speech, calling the soldiers to take the golden opportunity, a chance in a million to restore our country. In response to the Viet Minh's appeal a representative of the L.A. promised to accomplish the task of a national salvation soldier who volunteers to dedicate himself to the organization to the country, to fight to the last soldier, the last drop of blood.

In response to the encouragement of the local representative, the army representative promised to fulfill their task as appropriately as expected by the local brothers. Most remarkable was the encouragement of the women who promised to work with their best in the rear to provide the front with in all respects, provision, clothes, shoes and to encourage the youth to join the army and go to the front. One woman even volunteered to organize a unit of women to fight the enemy for national salvation.

After the recruitment, then came the pledging ceremony. Under the flag slightly embodying the soul of the Fatherland, one soldier after another pledged to fight and sacrifice as dedicatedly as expected by the organization, as the nation from a L.A.

After the concluding speech of the V.M. representatives thousands of people began chanting the exciting slogans

Trustworthy

The first units of the L.A. have been founded. They are most loved by the country, the organization which expect a lot from their enthusiasm. They are well aware that their task is burdening, but they are the V.M. soldiers and have pledged to deserve these expectations.

We are confident in them.

③ Communique of the Inter-Province Committee (I.P.C) 2

1. Members should have recommendation papers from appropriate levels of authority when they want to move from one place to another.
2. Cadres who are on leave in their localities are not precluded to act freely in the sense that they can express their opinions only to the local cadres. They only accept work if asked by the local cadres.
3. Think carefully before introducing anyone to a cadre or a high-level cadre. Carelessness is forbidden. Advantage and disadvantage is considered before introducing. Preferably talks in advance for agreement of the other side takes place, then comes the introduction. When talks are inconvenient and time consuming, let's consider carefully ourselves before introducing.
4. Donation money should be given to the organization in good shape so that they can be spent.

The I.P.C.

④ World News : President Roosevelt has passed away. The American president has passed away. The Allied countries have lost a dear leader. The anti-aggression world has lost a good friend. With the peace and freedom-loving mankind, V.N.S.L expresses its condolences on this painful occasion.

1. The Red Army has occupied the Austrian capital Vienna, capturing 130,000 prisoners and a great amount of weapons, and has advanced more than 56 km westward.
2. The Allied forces have been marching simply in the west, sometimes 100 km a day, and are only 72 km from Berlin and 27 km from the border of Czechoslovakia.
5. In the Pacific, an U.S. fleet has attacked Taiwan. Tokyo has been bombed heavily. The Allied forces have occupied the Burma oil mine and are moving to attack Rangoon.

⑤ Garden of Literature : a poem. "Let's Go, My Dear!"
An encouraging poem from a woman to a man who is expected to join the L.A.

⑥ Some examples of the willingness and enthusiasm of the people in joining the L.A.