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PLACE FOR A VISIT TO HANOI

OF THE AMERICAN PILOTS HELD IN THE STATE.

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THE AMERICAN PILOTS TO BE RELEASED ARE NAVY LIEUTENANT JG

MARKHAM L. GARTLEY, NAVY LIEUTENANT JG MORTIS A. CHARLES, AN

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WITH THE POPULAR DELEGATION ARE GARTLEY'S MOTHER, AND MRS

MS GARTLEY, AND CHARLES' MOTHER.

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[NHAN DAN 26 August article: "Living Proof of Nixon's Failure"]

[Text] Since Nixon was elected President of the United States, and especially since last April, when he waged another war of destruction against the northern part of our country, we have often released names of U.S. aggressor pilots who have ended up in various DRV prisons. The presence of newly captured U.S. aggressor pilots in our prison is eloquent evidence of Nixon's failure in using his air force to attack the northern part of our country. The 10 aggressor pilots whose stories and pictures appear in today's issue were captured recently.

In the past 5 months the bellicose Nixon clique, faced with the threat of collapse of the Vietnamization policy, has recklessly involved itself in a strategic stand using its air and naval forces as a decisive strategic force to frenziedly engage in the war in hope of changing the situation.

Nixon has mobilized more than 200 strategic B-52 bombers—half the total of U.S. strategic aircraft—and more than 1,200 tactical bombers—two thirds of the total tactical bombers of the United States—to vary barbarously attack both parts of our country day and night. In the south the U.S. Air Force has become the key force charged with combat duties that had been entrusted to U.S.-puppet ground forces. In the northern part of our country the Nixon clique, in renewing its war of destruction on a large scale, has sent its aircraft to frenziedly conduct bombings everywhere to strangle the great rear area of our entire nation's resistance. It has even resorted to acts far more savage than those during Johnson's war of destruction by attacking dikes and conducting destructive bombings of our municipalities and provincial capitals as well as blockading our seaports. During the 3 years of his presidency Nixon has dropped on both the northern and southern part of Vietnam 9 million tons of bombs—an amount triple that during the Johnson administration.

The policy to re-Americanize the war of aggression in Vietnam has in itself proven the U.S. aggressors' strategic failure. In continuing these intensified air and naval wars, the Nixon clique has simply resumed a defeated strategic policy to save another strategy that is being defeated. This is a very critical error by the aggressors and it is being clearly manifested by reality.

In the southern part of our country, despite the U.S. air and naval forces' participation in the war to the highest extent, the Saigon puppet troops have been dealt thunderous blows; large parts of the U.S.-puppet pacification plan has been smashed; and the Vietnamization policy still continues its irresistible decline.

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