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MAY 3, 1975



MUSIC VIETNAMESE FROM TAPE.....2 minutes then faded below

Victory. Victory is a time for great celebration, rejoicing, joy, because the oppressor has been defeated and the building of a new society can proceed. The goal for which so many have given their lives, the defeat of the invaders and overthrow of the old order, has been achieved. Victory means peace and construction, after so many years of war. The people welcome a just peace like the shore welcomes the sea. They celebrate their victory with all their hearts and minds.

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Can you imagine how a prisoner, tortured in Thieu's US built prisons, feels today? There were hundreds and thousands of patriotic and courageous children, women, and men in those torture chambers. Taking all of them together, can you imagine the feelings that swept through them as the prison doors were opened by the liberation of their land?

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✓ In his last testament Ho Chi Minh wrote : Our mountains, our rivers,
our people will always be. The US aggressors defeated, we will rebuild
our land ten times more beautiful.....

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N Ho did not live to see the tremendous victory of the Vietnamese people over the US Empire, but he knew the day was coming. In his prison poems he wrote:

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~~wise~~
(~~Forest~~
~~Flower~~)

Ho Chi Minh 5.
Whose eyes are shining
In the Victory
Ho who wrote:

The wheel of nature turns without pause

After the rain good weather

In the wink of an eye the universe throws off its muddy clothes

For 10,000 miles the landscape spreads out like a beautiful brocade

Light breezes, smiling flowers

High in the trees amidst the sparkling leaves

All the birds sing at once

People and animals rise up reborn

What could be more natural?

After sorrow, comes joy.

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The day of liberation arrives. The day of Victory. Saigon becomes
Ho Chi Minh city. On that day Internews, which used to be called
Asia Information Group ~~and~~ ^{and} has played an important role in providing
true and accurate information on Indochina, had this report from
Jan Austen:

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Danang in the Street

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N And there was dancing in the street this week in many cities all around the world. A huge demonstration ~~IN HANOI~~ of joy in Hanoi, hundreds of thousands welcoming a day awaited for over 30 years, an atmosphere of happiness, embraces, decorations, songs, dances celebration. Dancing in the streets of Peking as well....and around the world, for the Vietnamese people had the support of many millions, including a large number in the United States. Celebration....as in Berkeley ~~THE NIGHT OF THE VIETNAM~~

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N And here are some comments from ~~the~~ people on the street in New York.



Victory. How to describe the feeling? How to describe the significance of the victory of Vietnam? Victory....

V is for Vietnam

I is for independence

C is the children

T is for tenacity

O is for organization

R is for reconstruction

Y is for yes....it has finally happened...Victory.

The lessons of Vietnam are many and deep. The victory may well be the most important historical event of this period, a period marked by the decline of US imperialism and the rise of national liberation movements.

N The Vietnamese people have shown that a people united in a just cause can defeat even the most powerful imperialism in the world. *Unity, Edit* forged over years of struggle and organization, based on a thousands of years resistance to foreign domination. *Unity, Lay* It is as Lé Duc Tho, one of the negotiators in Paris said, "The just cause triumphs over the evil cause. The will to live in freedom triumphs over cruelty." A people united can never be defeated.

The struggle waged by the Vietnamese people was ~~XXX~~ a people's war.
The people are primary, not ~~weapons~~ or modern technology.
It was the people, the entire people of mobilized. /Vietnamese
are
revolutionaries and independence fighters ~~XXXX~~ close to the people,
share their hardships, live and work with them. Organization,
political education and building a better life for the people are
at the heart of the Vietnamese revolution....the only basis for
people's war.



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A peoples war and the construction of a new society, a socialist society in the north, also meant that the women of Vietnam made huge advances in their liberation during the course of the struggle. The historic tradition of women resistance leaders blossomed into an organization, the Women's Union, and a massive movement of millions of women taking part in the fighting, in production, in political life. As the victory in the south arrives, Madame Binh, the PRG Foreign Minister, and Madame Dinh, a general in the liberation army, are two outstanding examples among so many women who have arisen.

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Interviewed in liberated Da Nang, Madame Binh spoke of the policy of the new government and of a visit she was at last able to make to her native village in Quang Nam.

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...into
the countryside of Quang Nam Province and said, "I
paid a visit to my native village. Nothing was left
there. It ~~may have been~~ leveled to the ground. When
one takes a look at it, one cannot imagine this was
the richest fruit zone of Quang Nam Province. There
were many fruit trees there, but now not a single tree
is left. All we saw were just weeds.

"My family was a big family but yesterday I
was able to find only one of my cousins. Villagers
told me that my native village was leveled to the
ground many times. The greatest reaction of our
villagers was anger at the Nixon Administration."

"American bombing of North Vietnam at the
same time as the intensification of bombing of South
Vietnam was because Nixon and Kissinger wanted to
change the content of the Paris agreement in their
interest.

"Reunification of our country is the earnest aspi-
ration of the Vietnamese people as a whole because
they have been one people for thousands of years,"
she said. "However, in the present situation, our
immediate task is to build a peaceful, independent,
neutral South Vietnam and, proceeding step by step,
to the reunification of our people by peaceful means.

"The duration of the process of reunification will
be decided by the people of the two zones. However,
as a matter of fact, there are differences of course
in the economic and political field as confirmed from
North to South. That is why there should be a certain
period of time to realize reunification."

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~~50,000 WOMEN RALLY~~
~~IN LIBERATED DANANG~~

~~Some~~ 50,000 women rallied in Danang April 8 to celebrate the final ouster of the hated Thieu regime and the setting up of a new administration. The president of the Women's Union for the Liberation of Danang, ~~Phan Thi Chau Lien~~, congratulated the people and the army on the splendid victory and outlined the present tasks: "To bring into play our heroic and glorious tradition, strengthen the unity of patriotic women of various strata and work together with other patriotic organizations to defend and build the city," according to ~~Gai Phuong (Liberation)~~ Press Agency.

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Still another lesson of Vietnam is the internationalism demonstrated by the Vietnamese people, their solidarity with peoples around the world, with the people of the United States. Their victory ~~was~~ is a great contribution to worldwide victories. Their humanity was constantly displayed in their treatment of captured US pilots, in their careful distinction between the US government and the people. Ho Chi Minh once said that colonialism was like a leech, sucking the blood of both the people in the colonies and the workers in the colonial power. He said that both heads have to be cut off ~~or else~~ ^{blood-sucker} ~~the sucker~~ would grow again. That's what bring the victory home means -- the long hard struggle we face to end US imperialism, its exploitation at home and abroad. International solidarity is a strong weapon in this struggle, and those millions of people here who demonstrated against the war played a part in the victory of Vietnam.

Think of how Vietnam has changed your life. ^{pause} what it has meant to you. ^{pause} what the victory means. ^{pause} this was the reaction of ~~a member~~ ^a of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War.

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The victory of Vietnam coincided with May Day, international workers day-- and nothing could have been more fitting. May Day, with its origins in the struggle for an 8 hour day among US workers, ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

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~~XXXXX~~ May Day marches and demonstrations have taken place and will take place this weekend all around the world, including large marches in liberated Hue, Da Nang, and Ho Chi Minh city.

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The Vietnamese broadcast... 30,000 persons gathered in Quang Tri and 50,000 at Da Nang for May Day celebrations of the Viet Cong victory.

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The Da Nang rally included songs of praise for Ho Chi Minh and women in flowing white ao dai costumes handing out flowers. Torchlight rallies were held in Hue and Hanoi. Soldiers and civilians gathered in Be Ria and Binh Dinh and "everyone carried flags, flowers and portraits of Ho Chi Minh." Bus company workers in Saigon celebrated the ouster of an unpopular owner and vowed "to work for the benefit of all." ~~one broadcast said.~~

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And with May Day comes ~~NEWS THAT MAY~~ the news that ~~THE~~ unemployment in the United States continues to rise, reaching its highest level since the last Depression. The US war of aggression against Vietnam ~~PLAYED~~ is directly connected to the current economic crisis--the defeat of the Empire takes its toll, ~~IN THAT WAY~~. The billions and billions and billions of dollars spent on murder and destruction. ~~THE~~ The economic crisis can only lead to an intensification of working class struggle in this country. Times are hard and imperialism in decline is vicious and decadent making it very difficult to build a revolutionary movement, but it is sure that coming years will see ~~many more strikes~~ and a widening of the struggle among working people....

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Autumn
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Before us lies a difficult path. Victory means celebration, joy, a chance to build, but it ~~has~~ ^{has} other meanings as well. After the historic victory of the Vietnamese people over the French at Dien Bien Phu, Ho Chi Minh said, "The victory is big, but it is only the beginning." ^{pause} ~~difficulty,~~ In times of ~~difficulty,~~ it is right to look ahead to ~~the future~~ ^{better days} to nurture the seeds of the new. ~~optimism~~ ^{optimism} In times of victory it is right to perceive the problems, to maintain vigilance, to protect the victory and help insure the future. ✓

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The future will be what we the people make it. We face a battle, a struggle to spread the true meaning and significance of Vietnam, and a clear analysis of this society and imperialism, to ever wider numbers of people. To explain the war. We face a time of economic crisis. We face the possibility of US intervention and war in ~~XXXXXX~~ ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ the Middle East, or other Asian nations, or ~~XXXXX~~ Latin America, or Africa. It's no accident that Ford today presided over a ceremony launching the largest warship in the world, nuclear powered, and Kissinger ^{and Kissinger} an instrument of hideous destruction, as Ford ~~continue~~ to warn that what happened in Vietnam does not mean the US will abandon its attempt to dominate. We face the possibility of a fascist reaction against opponents of the war, against third world people, a new form of McCarthyism, even as Reagan, Goldwater and others run off at the mouth about how ~~we~~ ^{the US} could have won if only ~~XXXXXX~~ it had used more force.

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Most immediately we face a number of repercussions of Vietnam. The / kidnapped
 children, who should be returned to their homeland. The ~~struggle~~ ^{demand} for
 full diplomatic recognition of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and
 the Provisional Revolutionary Government. ^{Material aid for reconstruction, ~~aid~~} The demand for reparations
 to help heal the wounds of war, as the US promised in Article 21 of ^{U.S.}
 the Paris Agreements. ^V The PRG has declared an amnesty -- the demands
 for ~~any~~ universal and unconditional amnesty for all who resisted
 the war in the United States must be renewed. The ^{importation} ~~importation~~
 over 100,000 Vietnemes who fled ^{Saigon} into the United States is posing and
 will pose a large number of problems--and you can be sure that the
 most ^{vocal and} ~~reactionary~~ among ^{the refugees} ~~them~~ will be used by the US ~~government~~ in the
 huge media and propaganda attempt to lie about the true meaning of
 the war in Vietnam.

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The US military presence in Vietnam has finally ended, and liberation
 has been achieved, but our responsibility is far from ended.

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All ~~EME~~ talk about closing ranks and avoiding recriminations is
a political ploy against Congress and
nothing but an attempt to close off our struggle. Criminalations
and recriminations are in order, for a true understanding of the
war in Vietnam leads to the inescapable conclusion that a number of
war criminals control the United States.

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The road ahead is filled with difficulties, but through it all,
a new and stunning victory can help sustain us, the victory of
Vietnam, a victory that is having deep repercussions all around
the world and inside the United States. The victory of Vietnam
over communism. The victory of VN is a victory
is a victory for us all.

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As here at home Native Americans in south Dakota ^{again} seize a factory, the Yankton Sioux Industries Pork plant, in Wagner, south Dakota. Police fired tear gas into the factory, and ~~//~~ armed Native Americans were forced out of the plant ^{and arrested.} The occupation lasted for 16 hours. Local authorities had declared martial law in the area, and large numbers of police were brought in. In March, the Eagle Warrior Society occupied the same plant for three days, protesting working conditions.

of the UFW
Pesar Chavez spoke in the Bay Area this May Day week. Meanwhile, news of job-related ~~accidents~~ ^{accidents} to Farmworkers at Callo. Bob Barber reports.

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H o Chi Minh wrote --- People who come out of prison can build up a country. Misfortune is a test of a people's fidelity. Those who protest at injustice are people of true merit. When the prison doors are opened the real dragon will fly out.

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Ruchell Magee won a State Supreme Court decision this week, which gives him the right to appeal his conviction. The trial of the San Quentin Six continues. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ The ~~XXXXXX~~ large scheduled numbers of trials/against prisoners from Attica are being affected by the revelation that a woman who worked with the defense committee, as well as with many other groups, was acting as an informer for the FBI. She was the one who revealed ~~that~~ she was an informer, now coming to feel that she did wrong. Its not yet clear what effect the revelation will have on the Attica cases. *Although it should throw all the cases out of court.*

In Sacramento, the trial of Russel Little and Joe Remiro continued. Kathy Stroom reports:

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A new upsurge of campus protest is taking place, with sit ins at several colleges and universities this week, including ~~Harvard~~ Brandeis, Harvard the University of San Francisco. ~~At Brandeis~~ At Brandeis, an occupation and boycott of classes has been going on since Tuesday, and the administration has threatened police intervention. Students have issued a series of demands protesting budget cuts and their ~~negative~~ effects on third world recruitment. At Harvard a five hour sit in took place, organized by the Dubois Institute Student Coalition, demanding further expansion of Black studies. ^{Edit} At USF, 50 ethnic studies students and faculty occupied the President's office, demanding that ethnic studies be given department status.

At San Jose
students sat in
in protest
of dismissals
of and face
in the econ dept

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Student protest. Five years ago tomorrow....

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Four dead in Ohio. Five years ago, the ~~XXXX~~ murder of students at Kent and Jackson State. Huge nationwide demonstrations against the invasion of Cambodia. Today Cambodia is liberated.

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Freedom Freedom Freedom. Nothing is more precious than independence and freedom. The people united will never be defeated. May Days, days of struggle, days of victory. The cinco de Mayo of the Mexican Revolution. The May 4th anti-imperialist student movement in China that was a catalyst in the Revolution which was to follow. The fight for the eight hour day. Kent and Jackson State. And now the victory of Vietnam. The people united will never be defeated.

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How does victory feel...it feels good.....

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You've been listening to Nothing is More Precious Than...heard
every week at this time. With Molly Frankel, Kathy Stroom, Camomile, and
Lincoln Bergman, this is Nancy Barrett...thanks for listening.

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