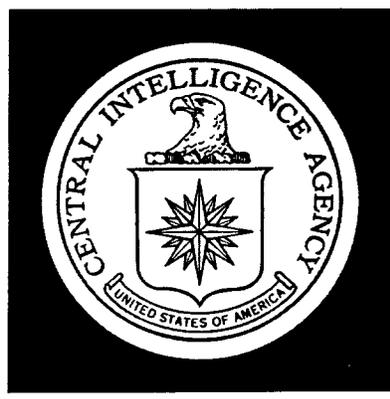


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North Vietnamese Defense Minister Vo Nguyen Giap, in the last portion of the first installment of his new analysis of the war, continues his analysis of the US positions in Vietnam. He insists that a quick victory in Vietnam is one of the essential components of US military strategy, saying that the US relies on "superior military force and firepower" to achieve victory in a "short time." The North Vietnamese military leader maintains that the US has set definite limits on its military objectives in South Vietnam, in an effort to keep the war from interfering with "political, economic, and social life in the US" and with US foreign policy in other parts of the world. Because of this, he predicts that the US will not enlarge the war outside its present boundaries. He also recommends that "world revolutionary people" and "imperialist allies" take advantage of this diversion of US interests to assert their own interests and independence.

The DRV Defense Minister also hopes to see a growth of political problems between the South Vietnamese Government and the US. Hopefully, he maintains that the "contradictions between the Vietnamese people and the US imperialists and their lackeys are the main contradictions which will determine the failure of the US imperialist's war of aggression". He relies on examples of increased desertion rates from South Vietnamese military forces, and the growing "Americanization"

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of the fighting effort to illustrate the difficulties the US faces in this area. Giap confidently predicts that this trend will increase rapidly in the future.

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