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The Economic Situation in South Vietnam

Summary

The manufacturers of Toyota and Citroen automobiles have decided to erect assembly plants in South Vietnam. Vietnamese and Australian investors have joined to form Vietnam's second condensed milk company.

Retail prices in Saigon declined three percent during the week ending 9 December despite continued increases in rice prices. The price index for imported commodities increased two percent. Saigon free market dollar and gold prices declined, but the price of MPC (scrip) returned to its all-time high.

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ANNEX: Weekly Retail Prices in Saigon
(table)
Weekly and Monthly Currency and
Gold Prices (graph)

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