

VIET NAM DOC LAP

THE EUROPEAN WAR IS OVER

GERMANY HAS UNCONDITIONALLY SURRENDERED

The Armistice Treaty between Germany and the Allied countries has been signed on Monday, the 7th of May 1945 at 12 o'clock German Minister of Foreign Affairs declared : " The German people and the German army having their hands and feet binded, ~~xx~~ have surrendered at their own chance and risk."

C O M M U N I Q U E

A- TOWARDS FRANCE

Once again, the mass organization reminds all the compatriots and the whole population that :

Although in the past the French have mercilessly used terror against us, concentrated us in villages, burnt houses, killed people, confiscated our properties etc...; but considering the international situation the sympathy in resisting against the Japanese and out of humanity, ~~xxx~~ our mass organization overlooks the old grudges and applies a new policy. So the attitude of ~~xxx~~ our mass organization and compatriots towards the French is as follows :

- 1- Towards the French refugees, we must protect them, take them to the Chinese borders in security.
- 2- Towards the French volunteeringly joining our army to fight together against the Japanese, we warmly welcome them, consider them as our comrades.
- 3- Towards the French officers having their Vietnamese soldiers, and being resolute to fight the Japanese, we must help them, considering them as our friendly troops. If the French officers and their soldiers are at variance, we have to make explanations to both sides, advise them to settle problems in a friendly way in order to avoid regrettable consequences.
- 4- In order to avoid Japanese tricks, concerning the French going without ~~papers~~ papers from the mass organization or not accompanied by responsables as guides, we must retain them and report at once to higher instances for investigations.

the 15th of Lunar 2nd month
The Viet Minh provincial
committee

B- WHEN MEETING WITH THE JAPANESE

Attention must be given to these points :

- 1- Keep in mind then write down their badges (on their sleeves or on their chest.
- 2- What arms do they wear ? muskets, machine guns, big guns ? how large is the mouth, how long is the body? New or tattered clothes? how many ammunitions boxes?
- 3- What categories of soldiers ?
 - + communications squad (~~xxxxxxx~~ generally various kinds of iron wires)
 - + combat squad (carrying only guns)
 - + engineers squad (usually carrying picks and hoes)
 - + horsemen squad (having many horses)
- 4- About how many men ?

Concerning the above-mentioned points, one must keep well in mind; send at once reports to the superiors for information.

C- TOWARDS THE JAPANESE

When shooting down or capturing any Japanese, one must do the following :

- 1- take all the badges they wore on the coat and on their wrists
- 2- take all the papers and things they have on themselves, take even the orn paper
- 3- One must send at once these things to the superiors which will hand them over to the Central Committee of Viet Minh for investigations.

In case of capturing the Japanese, one must take them to the Central Committee for investigations. One must be vigilant not to let them commit suicides or evade or hit back.

D- WRITING LETTERS AND SEND THINGS

- 1- One must write clearly the name of the receivers with clear addresses (what village, canton, district, province ?)
- 2- The senders, wishing to get an answer from the addressees, have to clearly write also their names in the letter.
- 3- Things to be sent to anyone must be accompanied by letters and having clear addresses written on a piece of paper stucked on things.

E- It is forbidden to sell pigs, paddy, rice to the Japanese. Markets are all the same ~~xxx~~ held for commerce except 3 above-mentioned goods.

G- Newspapers : the selling is limited. Not available for individuals.

AGAINST THE KINGS AND LORDS TRAITORS TO THE FATHERLANDBAO DAI means Bai Dao

(According to the Vietnamese pun, BAO DAI was the name of the last Vietnamese puppet king under the French rule, but when the order of letters is changed, becomes BAI-DAO and means DEFEAT, OVERTHROW.
- Note of the translator)

The kings and the lords do nothing, they suck the population's blood. Moreover they often betray their Fatherland.

Take for example Gia Long King; he wanted to be king; as he had no force, he has invited the French to enter Vietnam to help him becoming King. So our people had to live under the slavery yoke for over 80 years

And his descendant was BAO DAI. In the past, he was resigned to serve as lackey to the French. Now, he turned to act as a puppet for the Japanese. Thus he has twice betrayed the country.

Our people resolutely fight against the Japanese. First to liberate themselves from the oppression and exploitation and to avoid heavy taxes. Secondly to make the country free and independent.

The Japanese want to dupe our people, they make use of the kings and lords. On the one hand, they hypocritically said : ~~xxx~~ Vietnam to the Vietnamese ! Secondly, in order to use the kings and lords to suppress the movement of resistance against the Japanese for national salvation.

That is why our people must fight against the fascist Japanese and at the same time against the clique of Vietnamese traitors.

We will certainly get victory in the cause of this sacred war of resistance. The Japanese will certainly be defeated. And as the Japanese are defeated, the clique of BAO DAI puppets will become BAI DAO (Vietnamese pun) ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ !!!