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Following are the main points of President Nguyen-van-Thieu's speech before the Congress of the General Association of Teachers in Viet-Nam on June 6, 1974:

1. The Communists have blatantly violated the Paris Agreement of January 27, 1973. In complete disregard of world public opinion, they have launched a generalized offensive throughout South Viet-Nam. It is obvious that they hope to gain a strong position in the battlefield in view of imposing on the government of the Republic of Viet-Nam another agreement providing for a Laotian-type solution.

2. The Vietnamese government and people are determined never to accept any agreement leading to a coalition with the Communists and will resist all forms of pressure, be it political or economic. With regard to U.S. economic assistance, the governments of the United States and the

Republic of Viet-Nam have agreed before the signing of the peace agreement that U.S. military disengagement from Viet-Nam would be compensated by adequate economic support. The government of the Republic of Viet-Nam views economic assistance from allies as a powerful tool to secure peace and deter Communist aggression. However, economic assistance should in no way be used as a leverage to impose political concessions on the part of the Republic of Viet-Nam.

3. The basic position of the Republic of Viet-Nam is to abide strictly by the Paris Agreement of January 27, 1973, and to ensure the correct and full implementation of all of its provisions.