

UN Memorandum

“Is the Cold War over?”

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Dear Ladies and Gentleman,

It's my honor to attend this meeting in this beautiful day. I, Truong Tan Sang, president of Vietnam, shall represent this country. I shall state that our nation is all one strong piece compared to 50 years ago where the North and South Vietnam were different nations with different parties. As well we need to assure all of you that the Cold War is over. We, as a whole country, Vietnam will stay how it once was, a Communist. To show you our point of view we will look through human rights, economics, technology and political system.

Human Rights

Unfortunately North Vietnam and The United States violated many human rights. When The United States surprised North Vietnam in Trang Bang, Vietnam. The United States attacked North Vietnam with a new type of technology which, is known today as the Napalm attack which, killed many people from Vietnam. Not only were adults victims but kids who were innocent and did nothing were victims of this horrible incident. Napalm which, is a nuclear weapon was a petroleum gel that burned for an extremely long time. The United States while using this nuclear weapon killed many people. Many Vietnamese kids were burned. Ngo Dinh Diem was Catholic and since South Vietnam was made up to 90% of Buddhism he wanted to get rid of all the Buddhist. Ngo Dinh Diem thought that with the help of the United States he would have been able to accomplish that. The United States and it's representatives were struggling to help South Vietnam because the U.S thought that helping another country who was against a religion would make them look bad.

Something really depressing that happened in Vietnam during the Cold War was that the U.S

committed a massacre. This massacre is still known as “My Lai”. The United States killed hundreds of people among those were children, women, old men and old women. This occurred in a small village in Songmy. The children, old men, old women and women were in groups of 20 where they were placed around a temple and U.S army would shoot the victims in the head. The United States Army mistreated the civilians. This shows that the United States army was cruel to it enemies.

Not only was North Vietnam attacking South Vietnam with nuclear weapons but North Vietnam was planning to take over South Vietnam. Since North Vietnam was the Communist part of Vietnam, it wanted to take over South Vietnam and make it communist. South Vietnam did not want to be communist, South Vietnam refused to be Communist that is why the United States was involved in the war. The United States wanted to help South Vietnam because they wanted them to have peace. Which as shown did not happen. South Vietnam could not defeat North Vietnam. North Vietnam treated the United States really horribly. The soldiers weren’t allowed to send anything to their families and till this day many don't know how many U.S soldiers were missing. In despite of the incidents that occurred I want to make it clear that something like this will never happen. Now that Vietnam is an only country everyone has the same rights and no one will be higher than anyone else or will be mistreated.

Economics

Vietnam’s current status on its economy is one of the fastest growing economies in the world. They were known for being influenced by the soviet-type centralized system to a more socialist-style market economy. Vietnam’s economy is currently expanding at its slowest pace in the past 13 years in 2012. Vietnam is fully committed to ‘doi moi’ and the development of a socialist system. In 1986, it was concluded by a new group of more liberal socialist party leaders that reforms which consisted of six

major economic policy changes (Doi Moi) could help Vietnam come out of its economic crisis.

Technology

However South Vietnam was being supported by the U.S troops. The U.S Army sent helicopter, threw bombs and used novels. By 1969 the U.S Army had identified 22 machines types, 17 types of mortar, 9 types of antitank weapons and 14 types of anti-aircraft artillery weapons used by ground troops on all sides. South Vietnam have their own technology as their own army of the republic of South Vietnam. As the fight between the North Vietnam and the South Vietnam and U.S both continued to send additional advisers to South Vietnam.

Political System

Today, North Vietnam is still a communist country. Compared to other countries most of them are capitalist, but we as a country have the same rights as everyone around us. Presidents are elected by the National Assembly from amongst its members while Prime Minister are picked by the President which the members of the National Assembly decide. Like 50 years ago the way vietnamese choose their presidents is very similar as today.

In June 1962 the International Control Commission (ICC) made up the law known as "A Threat to the Peace" I believe it was the best choice North Vietnam made. Even though it was chose to sneak South Vietnam and spy on their plan and government. I admit we might did unexpected things but today we are, because of our old presidents.

North Vietnam's goal was to seize South Vietnam this is known as "A Threat to the Peace" that the ICC controlled. The commission was right in thinking that 50 years ago we were sending armies and

men into South Vietnam to see what was going on. This law as well contradicts to “The Geneva Peace Accords” which was signed in 1954 by France and Vietnam. This was stating that Vietnam would hold national elections. There were many laws to follow and many people that had to suffer, but it was the best for everyone. Politics now a days are still the same like 50 years ago. Government and its structure will continue being the way it was, a communist country.

Conclusion

Ladies and gentlemen what I stated demonstrates there is no longer a South Vietnam nor a North Vietnam. It has become one whole country. It’s one whole Vietnam. As you saw our point of view through human rights, economics, technology and political system has made us clear that the Cold War is now over. The United States as much as they tried couldn’t defeat North Vietnam. With this enough said Vietnam was and will stay as a communist country.