

CHAPTER III

DEMOCRATIC FREEDOMS UNDER ARTICLE
14(c) AND 14(d)

14. During the period under report there was no change in the stand of the Government of the Republic of Viet-Nam with regard to Article 14(c), as mentioned in paragraph 19 of the Seventh Interim Report. The Commission, while reviewing the situation with regard to complaints under Article 14(c) against the Government of the Republic of Viet-Nam, mentioned in paragraphs 19, 24, 25 and 26 of the Seventh Interim Report, and others pending with it on October 1, 1957, reaffirmed its grave concern about this situation. In cases where the recommendations for deployment of mobile teams for investigation of complaints were not implemented, in cases where concurrence for deployment of mobile teams was not given, in 14 cases of violation of Article 14(c) recorded by the Commission during the period under review where its recommendations for release had not been implemented, and in 204 cases where the Government of the Republic of Viet-Nam did not give any replies to the complaints forwarded to it, the Commission held that the Party had not afforded all possible assistance and co-operation under Article 25, and decided to inform the Members of the Geneva Conference under Article 43 that the Government of the Republic of Viet-Nam had not implemented the recommendations concerned and had hindered the activities of the Commission in supervising the implementation of Article 14(c). The Commission decided to review the situation after four months.

The Commission forwarded to the Government of the Republic of Viet-Nam for comments complaints under Article 14(c) received up to September 30, 1957, from the P.A.V.N. High Command. The complaints received thereafter are under consideration of the Commission, except a complaint concerning alleged detention of persons in HOI-AN jail which was forwarded for