

to persevere in its efforts to maintain and strengthen peace in Viet-Nam on the basis of the fulfilment of the Geneva Agreements with a view to the reunification of the country through the holding of elections under the supervision of an International Commission.

89. The Commission examined very carefully the three messages which the Co-Chairmen had sent and on May 27, 1956, communicated to the Co-Chairmen its response to the appeal addressed to it. The Commission will, as stated in its message of May 27, 1956, persevere in its efforts to maintain and strengthen peace in Viet-Nam on the basis of the fulfilment of the Geneva Agreement. It will continue to deal with the parties concerned on the basis of the *status quo* until arrangements that will facilitate the work of the International Supervisory Commission and of the Joint Commission in Viet-Nam envisaged in the Co-Chairmen's message to the French Government "are put into effect." Discussions between the High Commissioner for France and the authorities of the Republic of Viet-Nam on the question of the future working of the Cease-Fire Agreement and the relationship of the authorities of the Republic of Viet-Nam with the International Commission have just been concluded in Saigon.

90. In spite of the difficulties which it is experiencing, the Commission will, as directed by the Co-Chairmen of the Geneva Conference, persevere in its efforts to maintain and strengthen peace in Viet-Nam