

PRO- 36. Action required to be taken under the various
GRESS Articles of the Agreement and the progress so far are
REPORT indicated in the statement (Appendix I) attached to
this Report.

CHAPTER II.

CEASE-FIRE, PROVISIONAL MILITARY DEMARCATION LINE AND DEMILITARISED ZONE.

CEASE- 37. The structure of the "Arrangement on the
FIRE Cessation of Hostilities in Viet-Nam" is based upon
the cease-fire throughout the country and upon the
regroupment of Forces on the two sides of the
provisional demarcation line.

38. Articles 10 and 11 of the Agreement provide
for specific dates and times at which cease-fire shall
be effected. As Article 44 of the Agreement provides
for the setting up of an International Commission at
the time of the Cessation of Hostilities, the Inter-
national Commission was not required and was not able
to supervise the operations of cease-fire.

39. Since the cease-fire became effective, the
Commission has received no reports of renewal of
hostilities in any part of Viet-Nam. A number of
incidents have been reported, in particular, in
Central Viet-Nam; evidence available to the Commission
would indicate that these incidents are not violations
of Articles 10 and 11. They are clashes which took
place between the Armed Forces of one side and local
population. These incidents have been dealt with by
the Commission and are described in Chapter VII of
this Report.

PROV- 40. In accordance with Chapter I of the Agreement
ISIONAL on the Cessation of Hostilities in Viet-Nam, a pro-
MILITARY visional military demarcation line has been fixed as
DEMARCATION indicated in the map attached. A demilitarised zone
LINE of a width of 5 kilometers on either side has been
AND DEM- created as a buffer zone to avoid any incidents which
ILITAR- might result in the resumption of hostilities.

ISED 41. Neither of the parties has so far reported
ZONE to the Commission any violations of the Agreement so
far as Chapter I is concerned.

42. It has been provided under Article 36(b)
that one of the main responsibilities of the Commission
is to supervise the demarcation lines between the re-
groupment areas and also the demilitarized zone. As
in the initial stages the Commission's mobile teams
have been engaged in enquiries and investigations which
demanded immediate attention, it has not been possible
for the Commission so far to establish any mobile
teams in the demilitarized zone or near the demarcation
line. The Commission, however, has two Fixed Teams on
either side of the demarcation line and in proximity
to the demilitarized zone. They are DONG HOI in the
North and TOURANE in the South. The Commission is now
considering, in consultation with the two parties,
the question of installing further inspection teams, if
necessary, for carrying out the Commission's respon-
sibilities under Article 36(b).