

15. In the light of the stand of the Commission, as stated in paragraph 14 above, the numerous allegations received from the PAWN High Command have been receiving the attention of the Commission with a view to the strict implementation of articles 16 and 17 of the Agreement and the procedures laid down thereunder.

16. A summary of the allegations made by the PAWN High Command from December 1961 up to May 5, 1962, would place the number of military personnel and the quantum of important war materials introduced into South Vietnam at approximately 5,000 personnel "which are likely to increase to 8,000 shortly", 157 helicopters, 10 reconnaissance aircraft, 34 jet aircraft, 34 fighters/fighter bombers, 21 transport aircraft, 35 unspecified aircraft, 45 armoured and 20 scout cars, "numerous" armoured boats and amphibious craft, 3,000 tons and 1,350 cases of war material, and 7 warships (exclusive of 5 destroyers of the U.S.A. Seventh Fleet alleged to have come for training). Most of the letters containing the allegations referred to in this paragraph and paragraph 11 above were sent to the liaison mission of the Republic of Vietnam for its early comments; but no satisfactory replies have been received. Also, in some cases, the Southern party has been asked to state the reasons, if any, why violations of article 17(e) relating to prior notification, as well as violations of articles 16 and 17 governing the introduction of military personnel and war material themselves, should not be recorded against it.

17. As the Commission has been denied the mandatory controls, as pointed out earlier in paragraph 12 above, it has not been able to make a precise assessment of the number of military personnel and the quantum of war material brought in. However, from December 3, 1961 up to May 5, 1962, the Commission's teams have controlled the entry of 72 military personnel and observed, but not controlled, 173 military personnel, 62 helicopters, 6 reconnaissance aircraft, 5 jet aircraft, 57 fighters/fighter bombers, 25 transport aircraft, 62 unspecified types of aircraft, 102 jeeps, 8 tractors, 8 105mm howitzers, 3 armoured cars (tracked), 29 armoured fighting vehicle trailers, 404 other trailers, and radar equipment and crates, 5 warships, 9 LSTs (including 4 visiting LSTs), 3 LCTs, 5 visiting