

They have enforced inhuman laws; they have set up three distinct political regimes in the North, the Center and the South of Vietnam in order to wreck our national unity and prevent our people from being united.

They have built more prisons than schools. They have mercilessly slain our patriots—they have drowned our uprisings in rivers of blood. They have *fettered* public opinion; they have practiced *obscurantism* against our people. To weaken our race they have forced us to use opium and alcohol.

In the fields of economics, they have fleeced us to the backbone, *impoverished* our people, and devastated our land.

They have robbed us of our rice fields, our mines, our forests, and our raw materials. They have *monopolized* the issuing of bank-notes and the export trade.

They have invented numerous unjustifiable taxes and reduced our people, especially our peasantry, to a state of extreme poverty.

They have hampered the prospering of our national *bourgeoisie*; they have mercilessly exploited our workers.

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