

IMUN OFFICER REPORT – THE QUESTION OF MAINTAINING STABILITY IN VIETNAM

The Vietnam War started in 1954, between France and the North of Vietnam, and later in 1965 United States of America joined by sending military troops to fight with the South of Vietnam against the North and ended in 1975. It wasn't until 1962 where the Viet Cong began an uprising in the south of Vietnam ("The Vietnam"). The Viet Cong, or the Vietnamese Communists, were a guerrilla force that was at backed by the Northern Vietnamese Army and was at war with South Vietnam and the United States of America. As many as 2,000,000 Vietnam civilians on both sides died and around 40, 934 US soldiers were killed in action ("Vietnam War U.S."). In 1962, as well as the Viet Cong insurgency, US aircrafts sprayed crops and vegetation in the south of Vietnam with herbicides to destroy possible hiding spots for guerrilla forces and food sources ("Vietnam War Timeline"). There was also a bombing towards the presidential palace in Saigon, which is part of Southern Vietnam, from the Viet Cong, to target Ngo Dinh Diem, in the same year. The bombing was unsuccessful as the prime minister survived.

The question of maintaining stability in Vietnam is meant to guide debate towards methods to find stability in the midst of the war and to find ways to provide civilians with what they need while not disrupting the fights between both sides in Vietnam. Stability means to be in the state of being stable, which means that a country has resources to keep civilians safe and not decrease the conditions of said country. The debate regarding this question should require delegates to draft amendments that make sure civilians all over Vietnam are not denied of their human rights and where the government has all resources required to better the conditions of the country.

Amendments to this question should include ways delegations can show support towards innocent civilians and brainstorming methods to give said civilians access to resources they might need and resources that are lacking due to the war. Amendments could also consist of methods to keep Vietnam stable, meaning methods and solutions to bring better living conditions to the people in Vietnam.

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