

GIAP DELEGATION RETURNS FROM SPACE LAUNCH

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[Text] Hanoi July 30 (VNA)--The Vietnamese party and government delegation led by Vice-Premier General Vo Nguyen Giap, member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of Vietnam Central Committee, returned today from the Baykonur Cosmodrome where it had attended the launching of the "Soyuz 37" spaceship.

It was met by To Huu, Political Bureau member of the VCP Central Committee and vice premier; Nguyen Xien, vice chairman of the National Assembly Standing Committee and vice president of the Vietnam-USSR Friendship Association; Lieutenant General Bui Phung, member of The VCP Central Committee and vice minister of national defence; Tran Danh Tuyen, deputy head of the Commission for External Relations of the party C.C.; Hoang Bich Son, vice minister for foreign affairs; Nguyen Van Dao, vice director and general secretary of the Vietnam Institute of Sciences; and Soviet Charge d'Affaires A.I. Ognetov.

General Vo Nguyen Giap spoke of the historic significance of the launching of the Soyuz 37 spaceship at the Baykonur Cosmodrome and its successful docking with the Salyut 6-Soyuz 36 complex.

General Vo Nguyen Giap, To Huu and others present raised toasts to the successful space flight of the Soviet and Vietnamese Cosmonauts V.V. Gorbatko and Pham Tuan.

NHAN DAN MARKS ANNIVERSARY OF CUBAN UPRISING

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[Text] Hanoi July 26 (VNA)--"The attack on the Moncada Barracks in 1953 has remained a symbol of Cuban patriotism", says NHAN DAN in an article today on the 27th anniversary of the Cuban National Rebellion Day.

"Since the victory of the revolution more than two decades ago," the paper says, "the spirit of Moncada has always encouraged the Cuban people in overcoming all difficulties to foil all enemy counterattacks. The Giron victory was the strength of Moncada multiplied by a nation which has regained independence and is determined to advance to socialism. U.S. imperialism has resorted to everything to reverse the situation in Cuba and discourage other Latin American peoples from following the revolutionary path of the Moncada fighters. It has sought ways and means to curb socialism in Cuba. But the Cuban revolution keeps advancing, and the international prestige of socialist Cuba keeps increasing. U.S. imperialism and the Beijing reactionaries are trying to isolate Cuba economically and to sabotage it, but they have failed. The Cuban people have defeated all their hostile campaigns."

"The Cuban people are continuing to carry out the resolutions of the First Congress of the Communist Party of Cuba, and to fulfil the 1976-1980 five year economic plan to welcome the Second Party Congress to be held in December this year. The image of a generous, staunch socialist Cuba has always inspired the developing revolutionary movement in Latin America," the paper continues.