

## Episode 1

PBS Vietnam broadcast: They said that the war began in good faith. They did not make the case and the Pentagon Papers tell a different story. They called it a brutal civil war and again did not make the case. When you are fighting against your own citizens who are backing foreign troops that is patriotism and protecting your home from foreign occupiers. They left out a bunch about the Geneva Accords and all of the American violations of it. They left out the part where the French and British released and armed Japanese prisoners and went after the Viet Minh. No mention that the 900,000 Catholics who left the northern sector of Vietnam were responding to the leaflets that we dropped all over the north saying that the Communists would kill them. This first show had some good stuff, like why did the US, a former colony, support colonization as opposed to supporting those fighting for independence and self determination. They did not explain the reasons. All in all, they are leaving out important history that would show the US in a less positive light. There is no way to make the American war against the Vietnamese a noble endeavor.