

## Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Receives Russian Defence Minister











Pyongyang, July 27 (KCNA) -- **Kim Jong Un**, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received a military delegation of the Russian Federation led by Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu, on a congratulatory visit to the DPRK for the 70th anniversary of the victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War, at the office building of the Party Central Committee on July 26. He gladly met and exchanged warm greetings with Sergei Shoigu. He warmly welcomed the visit of the Russian military delegation to the DPRK and had a friendly talk with Sergei Shoigu.

On the occasion, Shoigu courteously conveyed an autograph letter from Russian President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin to the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un**.

Expressing gratitude to Putin for his warm and good letter, **Kim Jong Un** asked Shoigu to convey his thanks to Putin who dispatched the military delegation led by the defence minister to Pyongyang to congratulate the Korean people on the glorious victory holiday. Recollecting with deep emotion the history of deep-rooted DPRK-Russia friendship, they at the talk exchanged the appraisal and opinions on the matters of mutual concern in the field of national defence and security and on the regional and international security environment and reached a consensus of view on them.

The talk proceeded in a cordial atmosphere overflowing with militant friendship.

After the talk, **Kim Jong Un** was presented with a gift prepared by Sergei Shoigu with sincerity.

He expressed deep thanks for it and presented his souvenir to Shoigu in commemoration of his visit to the DPRK.

The meeting between **Kim Jong Un** and Sergei Shoigu at an important time serves as an important occasion in further developing the strategic and traditional DPRK-Russia relations as

required by the new century and further boosting in depth the strategic and tactical collaboration and cooperation between the two countries in the field of national defence and security to cope with the ever-changing regional and international security environment. -0-

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