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Officials Should Become Communist Revolutionaries Who Are Possessed of the Party's Original Ideals and Spirit as Their Mental Qualities

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Today, when we are making a vigorous advance to confidently open a new golden age of strengthening the Workers' Party of Korea and an era of achieving the comprehensive rejuvenation of the state, we are greeting the 79th founding anniversary of the WPK, the great guide of the Juche revolution.

The more closely we look back upon the protracted and glorious road of struggle it has followed, the more proud we feel of the greatness of our Party that has written the longest ruling history of socialism together with the Korean revolution, the Korean people and this country and the more precious we feel the unprecedented history of its founding and exploits pioneered and achieved by the forerunners in the revolution.

Greeting the meaningful anniversary of Party founding, I pay the immortal glory and noble tribute to the revolutionaries of the first generation of the WPK, who wonderfully achieved the historic cause of giving birth to the militant General Staff of the revolution in the arduous and complicated struggle.

I also extend warm greetings to the members of the WPK and all other people across the country, who are working with devotion to implement the struggle programme of the Party, supporting it single-heartedly with absolute trust in it and unshakable belief in the victory of the revolution even in the face of all manner of trials and difficulties.

It is very meaningful that today we are reconfirming the justness of the line of building up the Party in the new era, which it is applying, and hardening our revolutionary faith and will to remain loyal to its cause while looking back upon what its original features were on the historic day when the cause of its building was achieved, how it

was founded and how its glorious and victorious history started.

Next year we will be greeting the 80th anniversary of Party founding.

A revolutionary party with the longest ruling history—this is not a simple rhetorical expression.

The epochal significance of the day when the birth of the vanguard of the Korean revolution was declared to the world is more conspicuous not simply because thanks to this day our Party could set the longest record in the history of the ruling socialist parties.

It is all the more so because securely preserving the purity of all the precious assets and traditions created in the pioneering period of the revolution poses itself as an important problem decisive of its future development as the revolution advances, and because today we are realizing its importance to the utmost extent.

The sacred ruling history of the WPK spanning nearly 80 years and the great exploits it has performed in these decades for the country, people, times and revolution originate in the characteristic and profound ideals and spirit it adopted at the time of its founding and the steadfast inheritance of them.

In the long period since the day of its grand start to this day, it has led the socialist cause victoriously, firmly maintaining its revolutionary character and original features unique in the world without the slightest deviation or discolouring and enjoying the absolute support and trust of the masses of the people. This is because it has remained faithful to its original ideals and spirit and steadily carried them forward from one generation into the next.

The factor most decisive of the existence and

development of a political party is on what ideals and spirit it was founded and how they have been inherited in their pure form.

As a problem that is related with a party's historical origin and character and the lineage that ensures its existence from one generation into the next, it is of absolute importance in its building and activities.

The original ideals and spirit of the WPK, unprecedented in the history of political parties of the working class, contain a precious iron truth, which was found in the course of pioneering a fresh road of building a revolutionary party and whose everlasting veracity has been verified on the arduous road of consolidating the organizational and ideological foundations to this end.

These great spiritual assets have served as a dynamic force that has enabled the WPK to follow the road resplendent with victory while preserving its character and bloodline and steadily improving its ruling and guiding abilities as a revolutionary party of a Juche type that struggles, guided solely by its leader's revolutionary ideology, to build a communist society where the people's ideals are fully realized.

As it had laid its spiritual foundations solid enough to guarantee its eternal viability already before it was born, the WPK has been able to adorn its entire course of arduous and complicated struggle with victories and successes.

But for the spiritual assets bequeathed by the generation of pioneers of the cause of Party founding, it would not have been able to found itself as a mass-based party of the working people in such a short

period of time immediately after liberation in defiance of different political parties and groupings advocating isms and assertions of all hues; nor would it have been able to achieve the cause of founding the army and the state and then repulse the armed invasion by the allied imperialist forces—which was a world-startling miracle—thus demonstrating the honour and glory of the new-born Korea.

When the other ruling socialist parties were being swept into the vortex of revisionism and dogmatism resulting in the political upheaval of capitalist revival in a number of countries, it marched forward unflinchingly under the banner of its socialist and communist programme. Its profile is shining as the symbol of a revolutionary party.

Etched in the chronicles of the working-class party building are tragic records of not a few of them, though having been born as the revolutionary vanguard in championing the demands and interests of the working people, giving up their original fighting programmes and the revolutionary spirit of their founder generation, going degenerated in the face of countless challenges and counter-revolutionary offensives, and meeting the end of their existence.

Pursuing reformism by a party in its building on the pretext of the changes in the times will inevitably lead to the deviation from its original ideals and degradation in ideology and spirit, which will in turn weaken its ruling efficiency.

Transformation and innovation is a law-governed demand in party building and an essential precondition for its political leadership over the revolution and construction.

Yet, a revolutionary party should never permit any transformation or reform of the ideals and spirit it adopted at the time of its founding.

This is because the ideals and spirit comprehensively represent not only the party's guiding ideology and fighting programme and good experience in its founding, but also the principles and ethos it has to adhere to throughout the course of its building.

The true value of a party's original ideals and spirit lies not simply in that they served as a powerful engine leading the cause it adopted at its inception, but also in that they offer a sure guarantee for its greater leadership ability and brighter future with an inexhaustible viability even after its founding.

Mindful of the noble sense of responsibility and mission it assumed for the destiny of the country and the people, our Party has been consistent in holding fast to and carrying forward its original ideals and spirit even in the face of manifold, unprecedented and complicated trials. This has enabled it to write its long ruling history as the one of steadfast development and laudable guidance, the great one of devoted service for the people.

No other party in the world is longer-standing and better-prepared than ours in terms of ruling years, leadership authority, ideology, theory, work methods and discipline.

The absolute dignity and greatness unique to our Party precisely represents the ennobling and great qualities of its original ideals and spirit; the inexhaustible viability of our Party comes precisely from that of its original ideals and spirit.

Our Republic has made great leaps forward while pressing on against unheard-of difficulties and developed into a matchless power which no other forces dare defy. Witnessing its sacred and dignified image, our people are realizing anew the value of the great ideals and spirit.

When the banner a party raised at its inception is great and when its succession is great, the party's past, present and future will all be adorned with victory and glory—this is a truth etched in the history of the WPK spanning nearly 80 years.

This great iron truth verified by history will remain valid for all eternity.

We should maintain the purity of our Party's original

ideals and spirit that determine its revolutionary character and mode of existence and apply them to its building and activities to the letter. This is the way to ensure its eternal development as a dignified and powerful party through all ages.

Those who should stand in the vanguard of our Party that is winning victory after victory on the strength of its great original ideals and spirit are officials most faithful to it.

Despite the change of generations along with the advance of the revolution, our officials, the backbone of our Party, should be communist revolutionaries who are thoroughly equipped with its original ideals and spirit. By doing so we can implement the five-point line of Party building in the new era and thus improve the profile and militant efficiency of our Party in every way possible.

Proceeding from this, our Party, at the historic watershed of its development, put up the slogan Let Us Open a Great Golden Age of Party Building in the New Era by Carrying Forward Its Original Ideals and Spirit! and set it as the primary revolutionary task of officials to carry forward on a higher level the ideals, faith, spirit and temperament cherished by the first-generation revolutionaries in accomplishing the cause of Party founding.

The original ideals and spirit of the Party should be adopted by Juche-type communist revolutionaries as the essence of their ideological and mental qualities.

Loyalty to the leader, devotion to the revolutionary cause, the spirit of serving the people, high-level class consciousness, socialist patriotism and ennobling moral traits—these constitute the major ideological and spiritual qualities of a communist revolutionary of a Juche type, the perfect incarnations of which were the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters.

When they had no government to provide a rear, these fighters pioneered the revolution barehanded and waged it while eating and sleeping in the blizzard-swept wilderness. In doing so, they trusted the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung and nobody else, and their 20-year-long, immortal chronicles of resistance and the sacred history of Party founding were written with their beautiful ideals of socialism and communism, steadfast faith in the revolution and indomitable fighting spirit.

Having performed imperishable exploits for Party founding and the sacred cause of building the country and its armed forces, the revolutionary forerunners remained honest and resolute all their lives and worked with devotion for the prosperity of the country and the wellbeing of their fellow people.

Many years have passed, but the noble soul cherished by these first-generation revolutionaries has served as an inexhaustible source of sustenance to bring up the people of the later generations into true fighters and communists.

To embody and apply the Party's original ideals and spirit to the letter poses itself today as a most pressing, crucial task facing our officials as leading personnel of the revolution.

Our Party is making sustained efforts to build up the country's defence capability to cope with the allied imperialist forces' moves for aggression and war, and at the same time is conducting gigantic projects for the comprehensive development of socialism.

The tasks facing us are challenging, yet we are short of qualified officials who are equal to such tasks.

The first-generation revolutionaries who created the Party's original ideals and spirit passed away, and the faithful, veteran officials of the second generation who had been trained under their direct concern and influence, are passing away one after another. In order to ensure that the officials of the new generation fill the forerunners' positions and roles with credit, we should make constant efforts to transform cadres along revolutionary lines and adopt radical measures to improve their training.

This is the very reason why the Party Central Committee puts the main emphasis on improving personnel administration, underlining the need for our

cadres to live and work like the forerunners who blazed a trail for the cause of Party founding. These years, while giving top priority to the work of the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK, it has invested a huge sum in developing it into a political school without parallel in the world, the best "pedigree farm" for training Party cadres.

The ruling history of our Party spans nearly eight decades, and its policy of making officials revolutionary and working-class dates back far more than half a century. Never before have we brought the Party's original ideals and spirit to the fore as the banner for transforming cadres along revolutionary lines.

Only when we equip our cadres with the far-reaching ideals, steadfast revolutionary faith and indomitable spirit that have been etched in the great history of Party founding, can we successfully attain the goal of transforming our Party's cadres along revolutionary lines and bring about a great turn in building up the Party.

The Party's original ideals should be a purpose of life and work for our cadres and part of their creed, and the Party's original spirit and ethos should definitely dominate their thinking and action. Only then will the ranks of our Party's cadres become steel-strong with genuine communist revolutionaries, adding inexhaustible dynamism to our cause of building up the Party to make a steady advance along the road of victory.

All our officials should work hard to temper themselves in the flames of transforming cadres along revolutionary lines, fully conscious of the urgent practical requirements and the important mission they have assumed for the times—writing a new, great chapter of history of the WPK by carrying forward its original ideals and spirit.

That officials possess the Party's original ideals and spirit as their mental qualities means that they cherish the first-generation revolutionaries' boundless loyalty to the Party and the revolution and their spirit of devoted service to the people, as their essential temperament and principle of life, always thinking and acting accordingly.

Loyalty to the Party, the revolution and the people, as was displayed by this generation, is the three-point essential temperament to be possessed of by our officials who are the leading personnel of the revolution and the hard core of our Party.

Officials should have a high degree of loyalty to the Party and fulfil their responsibility and duty as its core members in supporting its ideology and leadership.

They should take the lead, first and foremost, in defending our Party's dignity and authority in every possible way.

Our Party's dignity represents our state's prestige, and it is a source of the greatest pride and honour for our people.

Our forerunners of the preceding generations, despite the difficulty and complexity of their struggle, were unconditional in safeguarding the Party's dignity and authority and defending the revolution. We must never allow their ennobling spirit and merited contributions to remain merely as memories of the past.

In the struggle of the present times, too, our officials should regard it as the starting point and fundamental principle of their thinking and activities to thoroughly defend the prestige of the Party.

They should make it their habit to always try to identify any shortcomings in ensuring the absolute authority of the Party in all processes and on all occasions of their work and life and take steps to prevent any minor defects.

They should consider all affairs carefully and organize and carry them out scrupulously while giving top priority to ensuring the authority of the Party rather than attempting to achieve immediately visible successes.

Their loyalty to the Party is manifested intensively in implementing its lines, policies and decisions to the letter.

The environment and conditions in the early days after the Party was founded were worse than those of today

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and the cadres' academic attainments or career were not conspicuous, but their viewpoint of and attitude to the Party's lines and policies and their political awareness and sensibility were on a remarkably high level, which our officials should attain today.

Officials should learn from the spiritual world of the first-generation revolutionaries, and become staunch fighters who are perfect in implementing the Party's policies even in the face of manifold trials and difficulties.

At present some officials, unaware of the quintessence of our Party's policies, are working subjectively and merely to satisfy their own taste and, claiming that they are implementing the Party's policies, they are vulgarizing these policies and even distorting their execution, deviated from Party principle. These are serious mistakes.

Whatever they do, officials should have a clear understanding of the Party's intention, and, on its basis, consistently maintain the methodology of planning their work and finding solutions to the problems; and they should direct the greatest efforts to carrying out the Party's decisions perfectly without any slightest compromise or deviation.

They should fully display their Party spirit in the struggle for strengthening the politico-ideological unity of the Party and the single-hearted unity of the revolutionary ranks.

We should never rest on our laurels or relax as the unity and cohesion of the Party and the revolutionary ranks have been firmly maintained up to now, nor forget even a moment that the enemy within and without are waiting for a chance to undermine the single-hearted unity and resorting to more desperate schemes.

With an awareness that they stand on the forefront of defending the unity and cohesion of the Party, officials should firmly preserve the politico-ideological purity of the revolutionary ranks by launching a principled, merciless struggle against those who have been deteriorated ideologically and degenerated in their class consciousness.

They should think and act thoroughly in line with the unified leadership system of the Party Central Committee, launch a struggle immediately against any trifling negative tendencies and elements such as idolizing individuals, regarding oneself as exceptional and working in a self-centred way and stamp them out resolutely.

I have already said that our officials should coordinate the public sentiments as carefully as running with an electric bulb on a glass tray. This means that it is quite a difficult task to manage the public sentiments and maintain unity, and great efforts should be directed to this task with constant care and attention.

Officials should thoroughly orient and subordinate all their work to strengthening the single-hearted unity between the Party and the masses and deal with the arising problems in accordance with Party and class principles after correctly distinguishing whether they are favourable or not to cementing the single-hearted unity.

Our officials should make devoted efforts with thoroughgoing revolutionary spirit.

Our Party set it as the development strategy of our own style to develop all sectors of socialist construction, all regions of the country and all fields of the national economy in a balanced, simultaneous way, and made such a challenging strategic decision as shouldering the task for a mid-term and long-term rural rejuvenation and regional development while carrying out the gigantic struggle tasks of the five-year plan set forth at its Eighth Congress.

It is a clear expression of our Party's revolutionary stand to live up to at any cost to the responsibility entrusted by the times and the revolution as well as to the people's trust and expectation, and this requires all our officials to make unyielding and devoted efforts with renewed revolutionary conviction and fighting spirit.

As shown by the life of the many loyal persons who have stoutly supported the Party's cause from the early days of its founding up to the present, a fighter who overcomes hardships by means of conviction and optimism and devotes his all to the sacred cause for the country and the people can be said to be a genuine revolutionary.

A man with no conviction and optimism can neither feel the worth of waging the revolution nor tide over the hardships, easily wavering in the face of difficulties and trials.

With clear insight into the present reality that convincingly shows the absolute superiority of the socialism of our own style and promises a bright future for the overall rejuvenation of our state, officials should brave all manner of challenges and trials in the revolutionary spirit of self-reliance and fortitude and carry out the decisions of the Party Congress and the plenary and political bureau meetings of the Party Central Committee.

It is most pressing for them to retain a strong sense of responsibility and display infinite devotion in implementing their official duties.

Loyalty to the revolution means a keen awareness of responsibility for one's revolutionary duty and indomitable exertion.

The present era, in which the campaign for gigantic creation unprecedented in the history of our socialist construction is underway, demands hands-on officials who achieve remarkable results with a high sense of responsibility, bold drive, stubborn fighting spirit and persistent executive ability.

However, our officials have yet to rid themselves of such irresponsible and insincere tendencies as formalism, expediency, and self-protectionism, and this has proved to be a hindrance to our advance and development.

With a firm view and stand that they assume full responsibility for their work before the Party and the state, they should always rack their brains to find ways for better successes and more substantial results and work with devotion to achieve them.

If it is for the sake of the revolution, they should not argue about the limits of responsibility or consider benefits first with a self-centred approach, but instead take the lead in undertaking a task, however challenging it may be—this is the attitude of a genuine revolutionary, the attitude of a master.

Officials should do away with the indifferent and self-centred practice of staying aloof from any problems that are beyond the bounds of their responsibility, and adopt a proper stance and attitude of considering and approaching every problem in the interests of the Party and the state.

Our officials should become faithful servants of the people, who embody loyalty to them as one of their inherent qualities.

The quintessence of our Party's original ideals and spirit is the people-first principle.

In the first days of our Party founding, the Korean communists inscribed in its sacred red flag their lofty ideals for building a new country whose masters are the people, as well as their faith and will to sacrifice themselves without hesitation for the sake of their fellow people.

The nearly eight decades of our Party's struggle to defend the red flag symbolizing its original ideals and spirit, represent the history of its preserving its nature and original features as a genuine party of the people. And following this course, our Party has administered the great people-first politics that is unprecedented in the political history of ruling socialist parties.

The people-first principle is not an abstract slogan, but it is the political creed unique to our Party, which permeates all its lines and policies and whose viability our people have experienced through their everyday life.

Despite manifold difficulties facing the state, our Party initiated and is unflinchingly carrying out gigantic projects of lasting significance to translate the people's ideals

and dreams into reality, and it also ensures that the more difficulties the people experience, the deeper the whole Party goes among the masses, sharing weal and woe with them. Such traits can never be displayed or imitated by other ruling socialist parties.

People-first principle—this represents our Party's original features and its absolute ruling efficiency.

Our officials' loyalty to the people should find its expression in wholeheartedly supporting the Party Central Committee's people-first politics and faithfully serving the people.

They should, first of all, acquire a proper view of and attitude towards the people.

It is self-evident that an official with an improper view of the people can neither respect nor serve them.

Our Party has performed great and undying exploits, because since the initial days of its founding it has regarded it as its inherent mission to believe in the people as in heaven and serve them, and has made strenuous efforts to this end, thereby winning their absolute support and trust despite the passage of time and changes of generations.

When a party is alienated or divorced from the people, it would be futile to talk about or think of its lines and policies, struggle and achievements. Likewise, when officials are separated from the people, it would be pointless to speak about their worth.

Officials should never deviate from the view that the people do not exist for the sake of cadres, but the latter exists for the sake of the former, and from the stand and attitude of regarding the people as sacred beings and respecting them as their mentors at any time and under any circumstances.

At its historic Eighth Congress, our Party put special emphasis on holding higher the ideals of "The people are god" as well as single-hearted unity and self-reliance, and declared them to the whole world. Officials should cherish its real intention deep in their mind, be infinitely courteous and sincere to the people and remain faithful to the duty as their true servants.

Most recently, we have brought the residents in the flood-hit areas to the capital city and taken warm care of them with sincerity while giving education to their children, and decided to add the construction of advanced public health facilities, facilities for science, education and cultural activities, and grain management facilities to the Regional Development 20x10 Policy. All these are the revolutionary measures which clearly testify to our Party's faith that the people are its god.

Our officials, whatever they do, should consider whether it would infringe upon the demands and interests of the people and whether it would cause any inconvenience to them, and should approach and deal with the arising problems from their standpoint and from the viewpoint of providing convenience to them and promoting their wellbeing.

They should cherish the boundless trust of the people, who call the Workers' Party mother, as the greatest confidence in and expectations of them, regard it as their duty to find out and take charge of new things for them and make positive efforts to find solutions to the problems, eagerly awaited by them.

It is of particular importance to be prudent in words and deeds in acquiring the traits as befitting an official of the Party.

As always, officials' moral traits are a serious political issue directly related with the prestige of the Party.

I stress once again: if officials make a slightest mistake in words or deeds before the people, they will lower the prestige of the Party and estrange the masses from it.

The revolutionary forerunners, who had laid firm foundations of the Party and secured its authority in the early days after its founding, performed feats in their work to be praised by all. However, there was no gap between them and their fellow people, and they built up the foundations for establishing a sound climate in the

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Party by dint of their unique people-oriented spirit and methods of working with them.

Officials should always be courteous with bright facial expression whenever they approach the masses, be they ten or one, and give sincere advice to those who made a mistake and lead them forward.

They should be infinitely humble in front of the masses and mix with them unceremoniously, and every of their words and deeds should overflow with the ennobling moral traits and warm human feelings of respecting and caring for them.

We should keep intensifying the struggle to root out the abuses of power, bureaucracy and accumulation of wealth by illicit means.

These negative practices are the main targets of struggle, which fundamentally run counter to our Party's original ideals and spirit.

Officials should refrain from harbouring such ideas of demanding uncommon treatment while regarding themselves as exceptional beings and seeking only their own interests by abusing their power, but make it part of their habit to lead the same life with other people.

Times have changed a lot since the days of Party founding, but its mode of existence and activities—sharing weal and woe with the people and standing in the vanguard of their struggle—remains unchanged.

If any slightest manifestation is revealed among them of the abuses of power, bureaucracy and accumulation of wealth by illicit means, it will do harm to the Party and leave a blot on their political integrity. Bearing this in mind, they should control and temper themselves, working and living modestly, simply and frugally.

In addition, they should not spare comradely advice and help to other officials working with them so as to ensure that any trifling practice of the abuses of power, bureaucracy and corruption is not revealed among them. They should also make continuous efforts to awaken and educate their family members and relatives lest they commit any unsound practice.

In order to become communist revolutionaries who are possessed of the Party's original ideals and spirit as their mental qualities, our officials should intensify their studies.

Studying is the primary process for them to acquire and steadily improve their Party, revolutionary and people-oriented spirit; it is also an important way for the revolutionary transformation of cadres.

Fully aware that studying hard is the essential requirement for their training in the Party spirit and their revolutionary self-improvement, officials should study voluntarily, diligently and substantially.

Primary attention should be paid to the studies aimed at arming themselves with the Party's lines and policies.

Our Party's revolutionary ideology is the ever-victorious banner leading the cause of Juche, providing absolutely correct guidelines for ushering in a golden age in building up the Party and achieving national prosperity in the new era.

Officials should regard it as a vital task to arm themselves with the Party's ideology and policies, keeping in mind that, without a correct understanding of them, they can neither be faithful to the important responsibility and duties entrusted to them by the Party nor breathe the same air as, and keep step with, the advance of the times.

They should firmly equip themselves with our Party's revolutionary ideology by conducting an in-depth study of its documents in a chronological order and in a systematic and comprehensive way, thereby making it an element of their firm faith.

In particular, they should intensify their study of the Party's current policies, such as the new policy on regional development, until they correctly grasp the gist of those policies, and then identify what they need to do for their implementation and take practical steps to this end.

In arming themselves with our Party's ideology and theories, they should put the particular emphasis on effectively studying its line of building up the Party in the new era.

Mindful of the Party Central Committee's intention to usher in a new golden age of building up the Party by carrying forward its original ideals and spirit, they should study hard to grasp the essence, originality, viability and great vitality of the five-point line of building up the Party and make it an element of their faith, and find ways for applying it in practice.

They should also conduct an in-depth study of how our Party was founded and has been developed.

The new golden age of building up the Party should start with studying how our Party was founded and has been developed and learning from the ennobling spirit of our forerunners who made an undying contribution to pioneering and advancing the cause of building a Juche-oriented party—this is our Party's requirement.

All the officials should be so effective in studying the history of our Party in various forms and by various methods that they can gain knowledge, which is as good as first-hand experience, of how the first-generation revolutionaries went against all odds to pioneer the great cause of Party building and carry it through with credit, and of how hard the second- and third-generation revolutionaries have worked by carrying forward their predecessors' soul and spirit.

They should also be well aware of how dearly they paid for the creation of our Party's history and tradition of unity and cohesion unprecedented in the history of the building of revolutionary parties, the ruling socialist parties in particular, and of how the fighters of the preceding generations defended the Party Central Committee and the revolution in times of grave trials.

In order to become communist revolutionaries embodying the Party's original ideals and spirit, officials should cultivate and train themselves in a revolutionary way through Party life.

Party life is a school for revolutionary education and a furnace for revolutionary training, where officials can acquire and consolidate their loyalty to the Party, the revolution and the people.

Bearing in mind that whoever neglects Party life and fails to temper their loyalty to the Party will degenerate in spite of themselves and end up being traitors and renegades of the revolution, officials should enhance their loyalty to the Party and revolutionary temperament by taking a voluntary and sincere part in Party life.

Officials should participate in Party life faithfully with a high appreciation of Party organization, just as rank-and-file Party members do—this is an obligation stipulated in the Party Rules and a course of their cultivating revolutionary traits.

The anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters made efforts to enhance their loyalty to the Party by reviewing their Party life by themselves even in the throes of successive battles and marches; learning from their ennobling examples, officials should respect the Party organization and take a fully responsible attitude and approach towards its decisions.

By taking a voluntary and sincere part in Party meetings, reviews of Party life and Party study sessions, they should establish a regularized climate of obeying Party discipline and working and living accordingly, and get into the habit of making conscious efforts to place themselves under the Party organization's guidance and control.

They should train themselves ideologically and enhance their Party awareness through intensive criticism and ideological campaign.

Self-reflection and principled, comradely criticism are the most efficacious of political "tonics," which help our officials work harder with a strong sense of their basic duty as Party members and revolutionaries, and ideological campaign is a fundamental method for transforming cadres along revolutionary lines.

Officials should review their Party life conscientiously

now and then according to the Party Rules and regulations, and they should be frank with the Party organization about their mistakes and be bold in correcting them.

When others make a mistake, they should give them principled criticism based on the Party's ideology, policies and discipline and, not confining themselves to doing so, help them with all sincerity so that they can rectify their mistake.

Success or failure in preparing officials to be genuine communist revolutionaries embodying the Party's original ideals and spirit depends largely on the role of Party organizations.

Officials' self-consciousness alone is not enough to enhance their loyalty to the Party, the revolution and the people.

If we connive at, and take a hands-off approach towards, any signs of unorganized, undisciplined or negative practice that may be revealed among officials, we cannot maintain the Party's original ideals and spirit. This will end up failing to provide a sure guarantee for the future of the Party and the revolution.

Party organizations at all levels, fully aware that transforming cadres along revolutionary lines is a crucial matter that has a direct bearing on the destiny of the Party and the successful accomplishment of the socialist cause, should strengthen the education and control of officials and establish strict discipline within the Party.

They should make exacting demands on officials to be fully conversant with the Party's regulations and order and strictly observe them in and out of work; they should also exercise tight control and guidance so that the officials draw up detailed action plans, work according to them and exert themselves in implementing their assignments to produce substantial results.

They should be effective in educating and controlling officials lest they act contrary to the Party's principles and discipline in the course of directing the lower-echelon units or in their daily activities; once they reveal any negative practice, they must never connive at it, instead making an issue of it and helping them rectify it.

By taking into account the requirements of the developing revolution and the preparedness of officials, they should work out detailed methodology to transform them along revolutionary lines and make persevering efforts to this end, correcting deviations in time, if any, and steadily intensifying this work.

Next year is very significant in that our glorious Party will greet its 80th founding anniversary and its Central Committee will wind up its eighth term.

From now on, we should make good preparations for celebrating this anniversary of our Party as a grand political festival that will proudly review its longest history as a ruling socialist party and mark a watershed in opening up a new, great era of building up the Party and the country.

In addition, we should successfully carry out the policy-oriented tasks put forward by the Eighth Party Congress.

All the officials should embody the Party's original ideals and spirit, and they should remain faithful to their responsibility and duty as the leading personnel of the revolution in the ongoing drive to open up a golden age for strengthening the whole party and achieving national prosperity.

Filled with greater conviction and mounting morale, we are advancing more vigorously and confidently to bring earlier the victory of socialist and communist construction by carrying forward the invaluable and sacred ideals and spirit.

The intention in pioneering the cause of the Workers' Party of Korea was a truth, and its victory is a truth as well.

The great soul of our forerunners is encouraging us.

Let us all endeavour to keep up the revolutionary upsurge in the new era by making redoubled efforts to achieve proud results with a strong sense of honour and responsibility as befitting the hard core of the great Party and the leading personnel of the revolution.

Performance given to mark 79th founding anniversary of WPK

General Secretary Kim Jong Un sees the performance



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A performance was given at the Central Cadres Training School of the Workers' Party of Korea on October 10, the 79th founding anniversary of the WPK, revving up the atmosphere of significant celebration of the holiday of the great WPK, which was born as the guiding force of the revolution with a hammer, sickle and writing brush inscribed on its sacred red flag and has led the country and people to the steady success and prosperity.

The "pedigree" establishment for training the core of the WPK, a symbol of its absolute prestige and the invincible cause of the revolution, was full of noble respect for the glorious history and exploits of the WPK, which has carried forward the ideals and spirit it took up at the time

of its founding in a pure, thoroughgoing and perfect way and demonstrated the dignity, honour and heroism of the great state to the whole world.

The respected Comrade 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, enjoyed the performance.

When Kim Jong Un arrived at the school amid the playing of welcome music, stormy cheers of "Hurrah!" were raised.

All the participants paid the highest tribute to Kim Jong Un, banner of all victories and glory, who is vigorously ushering in a new era of the comprehensive national prosperity while glorifying the immortal dignity and honour as the world's longest ruling socialist party with his outstanding revolutionary ideology

and refined and seasoned leadership.

Kim Jong Un warmly acknowledged the enthusiastic cheers, extending congratulations to all the participants on the Party founding anniversary.

Among the audience were Presidium members of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK and other members of the central leadership body of the Party, officials of the WPK Central Committee, deputies to the Supreme People's Assembly, officials of the armed forces organs, Party officials of ministries, national agencies and the capital city and teaching staff and students of the school.

Present there were Alexandr Matsegora, Russian ambassador to the DPRK, and other leading embassy members as guests personally invited by the head of state.

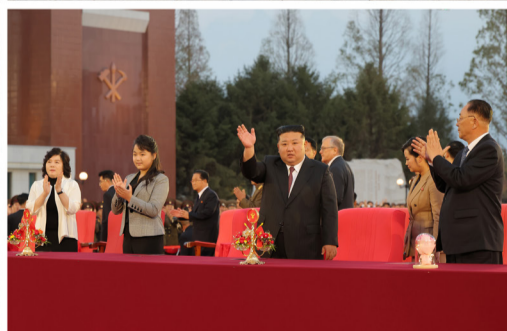
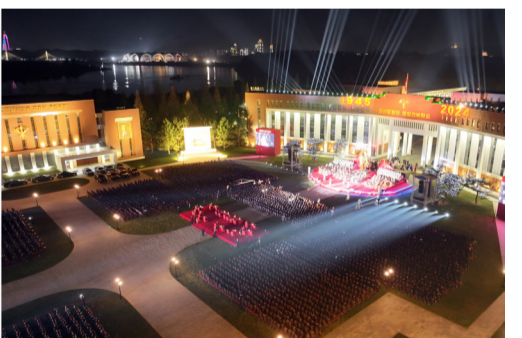
The performance began with women's and men's chorus "Long Live the

Workers' Party of Korea." Put on the stage were hymns to the WPK and songs of patriotism which the Korean people have sung in praise of the great Party on the long path resplendent with heroism for accomplishing the revolutionary cause of Juche.

Through the immortal odes to the WPK, the performers portrayed the people's ideological and spiritual world of absolute trust and loyalty to the WPK, which is writing a great history of building a prosperous country with a strong army and ushering in a golden age with its outstanding leadership while demonstrating the blood-sealed ties with the people unprecedented in the world political history.

The songs in praise of the WPK, which

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is strong for the victories it has won from one century to the next, dignified for the great exploits it has achieved for the times and history and warm for the benevolence of translating all dreams of the people into reality, fully portrayed the noble ideological emotions that the WPK is the eternal conscience, heart and glory of the Korean people.

The song "Care of My Destiny" depicting with rich lyricism and true-to-life poetic words the people's unalloyed and pure loyalty to share the destiny

with the motherly Party holding all the people in its embrace and bringing them happiness and honour, while overcoming all trials of history, unfolded in an impressive way the characteristic feelings shared by them and the Party as a bloodline, touching the heartstrings of the audience.

"Song about the Motherland" and "Passion" that sincerely and grandly sing of their patriotic desire and passion to devote their whole life to achieving the eternal prosperity of their most beautiful, greatest country, also enjoyed the unstinting praise of the audience.

The performance that excited the audience with the songs of singled-hearted loyalty and faith which would remain unchanged to the end of the world and times reached its climax with female and male chorus "Our National Flag" and female solo and male chorus "National Anthem of the DPRK."

Fireworks were set off amid the emotional cheers.

Kim Jong Un warmly acknowledged the performing artistes and the audience, expressing satisfaction over the successful performance.

All the participants raised stormy

cheers with their firm determination to remain boundlessly faithful to the sacred cause of glorifying the glorious era of Kim Jong Un as a golden age of developing the WPK, which is dignified with his great inheritance, outstanding leadership and warm loving care.

The performance significantly decorated the birthday of the motherly Party, boosting the all-people ideological emotion to greet all victories and honour along the road of glorifying the dignity of the WPK, great in its founding and in the whole history of its development.



Banquet given in celebration of 79th anniversary of WPK

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attends the banquet

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A banquet was given on the green

lawn in the campus of the Central Cadres Training School of the Workers' Party of Korea on October 10 in celebration of the

79th founding anniversary of the glorious Workers' Party of Korea.

The venue was filled with the excitement and joy of the participants greeting the significant day marking the Party's ruling history of 79 years in a sacred place of the revolution, which emerged as a powerful fortress guaranteeing the eternal future of the ever-victorious Party.

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, attended the banquet.

When the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un arrived at the venue with his beloved daughter amid the playing of welcome music, all the participants greeted with warm applause the general secretary of the WPK, who is writing a heroic chapter of history of epochal transformations for the pure succession and development of the WPK, prosperity

of the country and well-being of the people with his profound ideological and theoretical activities and outstanding leadership practice.

Present there at invitation were members of the central leadership body of the Party, deputies to the Supreme People's Assembly and teachers and researchers of the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK.

Also on hand were Alexandr Matsegora, Russian ambassador to the DPRK, and other leading members of his embassy, as guests personally invited by the head of state.

Ri Il Hwan, secretary of the WPK Central Committee, made a congratulatory speech at the banquet.

All the participants toasted the health of Kim Jong Un, who always leads the great country and people to victory and glory with his brilliant wisdom and outstanding and seasoned leadership, and the great Party, the country and the people.



Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays congratulatory visit to Kim Jong Un University of National Defence

He sets forth the basic duty of the university and important tasks for fulfilling it



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Kim Jong Un University of National Defence, which has made distinguished contributions to building up the incomparably powerful self-defence capability of the DPRK, while glorifying its proud history and tradition as the country's comprehensive base for education in defence science and technology in the long course of the revolution for accomplishing the great

cause of building a rich country with a powerful army, is greeting its 60th founding anniversary with great pride.

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, visited the university, the supreme temple dedicated to the training of talents in the Juche-oriented defence science and technology, on October 7 to congratulate its teaching staff and students on its 60th founding

anniversary.

All the teaching staff and students of the university and the officials in the field of munitions industry and meritorious graduates, who visited their university, were full of great emotion and joy as they would get the greatest glory and happiness of receiving Comrade Kim Jong Un in the campus on its diamond jubilee at the time when socialist Korea is demonstrating its dignity and prestige all over the world with its

tremendous defence capability rapidly growing stronger thanks to the Party's far-reaching plan for building a military power and its ever-victorious leadership ability.

As Kim Jong Un arrived there, enthusiastic cheers went up.

All the participants paid the highest glory and respect to Kim Jong Un, the symbol of the mightiness and ever-

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Speech General Secretary made on his visit to Kim Jong Un University of National Defence

Comrades,

This defence university, which was established with the most sacred and righteous mission and has glorified its name with unexcelled merits and proud academic records for the country and the revolution, is greeting its meaningful 60th founding anniversary.

Celebration of this anniversary of the school, an institute for training steadfast and capable personnel in defending the Party and the revolution by force of arms and the highest defence sci-tech institute in our Republic that reliably supports the historic cause of building a prosperous country with a strong army, is a source of great delight for our Party and people and an auspicious event for the whole country.

On behalf of the Party Central Committee, our government and the whole armed forces of the Republic, I extend warm congratulations to all the teachers, researchers, officials and students of the university standing here with the most dignified and proud feeling of building up the defence industry of lasting significance, which represents the strength of our country, Korea, and its ever-victorious glory.

My warm greetings also go to the family members, who are making painstaking efforts to care for the educators in adding to the weight and prestige of this sacred university, and to those who have sent their beloved sons and daughters willingly to the forefront of defending the country and the revolution.

Comrades,

If someone asks our Party and people waging the revolution what is their most valuable strategic asset, they will say that is this defence university, a “pedigree farm” for training defence sci-tech talents.

And if he asks what are the most precious resources that can guarantee the future of a powerful country, they will also say they are the revolutionary talented personnel studying at this university.

The university has proved this iron truth of history with its dignified history and wonderful feats.

As I am standing here on this meaningful day, I am reminded of how epochal and decisive the day of 60 years ago was in achieving the success of our revolutionary cause and carving out the destiny of our state.

The founding of this university was not simply something created by the fateful decade, when confrontation between socialism and imperialism and between revolution and counterrevolution was acute on the globe and when the urgency of building self-reliant defences in every country posed itself not in words but by shocking events and as a stark reality.

It was an institute born of the steadfast revolutionary



will of the Workers' Party of Korea to take its destiny firmly in its own hands and defend to the last the gains of the revolution achieved at the cost of blood; it was also a crystallization of its firm faith and ideals for setting up a notable landmark in achieving dignity and prosperity by building great strength.

It would not be so hard to imagine how extraordinary and audacious the decision was to found this university amid the then global political landscape and internal and external situations of our country.

If the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung had lived to continue to write his reminiscences without stopping it to our painful memory, he would have recollected why this university had to be founded, I believe.

As it was founded from scratch with the spirit of self-respect and self-reliance as its lifeblood, since the first day of its founding the university, with Juche as its lifeline and characteristic feature, has served as a reliable base for implementing the Workers' Party of Korea's line of self-reliant defence and added inexhaustible potential and dynamism to the growth and development of the defence capability of our state.

The Juche orientation and modern character are two attributes and buttresses of our self-reliant national defence, and these can be defended and built up only when it has a base for training its own sci-tech talents.

In fact, from the day of this university's founding our

defence industry could set a clear goal and orientation for its development as a Juche-oriented industry that develops and produces our own style of weapons and other combat equipment, and make rapid development as an industry possessed of self-supporting, modern and advanced characters.

Though it made its start literally from scratch—without the foundations of the machine-building industry and an asset of munitions industry—our defence industry laid already in the 1970s its firm production foundations based on modern defence science and technology, and has since supported the Party's cause on the strength of Juche-oriented science and industry. The annals of its great history have been written together with those of the history of this university's development.

This is the very place where large contingents of competent personnel have grown up equipping themselves with the spirit of Juche and up-to-date military science and made tangible contributions to the victorious revolution by satisfactorily raising our country's defence capabilities to the level as high as is required by the revolution at each period and stage of its development. The fine people

trained in this campus now constitute the backbone of the revolutionary industry in writing, together with our Party, a new chapter of history of strength the world has never known.

Our own style of weaponry has attained the power which nobody else on this planet could copy, the powerful strength by which the embryo of great historic events is developing. This strength is undoubtedly the might of potentialities of the Juche-oriented science, crystallization of the pride of Korea and the resourcefulness of the Korean people, and of our proud defence scientists who are the incarnation of those qualities.

The university has untiringly injected the two essential attributes of vitality, that is, the Juche orientation and modern character, into the revolutionary industry that shoulders the destiny and future of the Party, the state and the people, and laid solid and stable foundations for our country to rise as a world-class power. Herein lies the historic importance of the founding of the university and the incomparable glory of its 60-year history.

We know there are long-standing institutes around the world boasting their time-honoured traditions of defence science education and training of capable personnel; yet none of them could be a match for this university, a

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revolutionary institute, which, based in the capital city of the revolution, has maintained its lineage of absolute loyalty to the Party Central Committee and its lines while firmly supporting the revolutionary cause without a slightest vacillation or hesitation for 60 years for its steadfast inheritance and accomplishment.

This honourable history and traditions of the university and the names and exploits of the numerous heroes born of the university are rather little-known, but the imprints of their life are left anywhere in our country, and their soul of national defence is reflected in the hatred-charged powerful weapons that strike terror into the enemy.

Availing myself of this opportunity, I would like to highly appreciate the teachers and researchers of the university for the ennobling careers they have made and the patriotic feats they have performed while living a wartime-like life even in peacetime on their uninterrupted march of service for the country and their fellow people, mindful of the heavy class mission charged by the Party and the revolution to them. Also, I hope from the bottom of my heart that the students will grow as reliable successors to the cornerstone of our Republic.

Comrades,

The defence university does not simply represent the glorious past and present of the revolutionary industry which is a strong buttress of our independent, powerful and self-sustaining country; it also serves as a bulwark of strategic importance for achieving one victory after another in the years to come.

Your campus is a fierce battlefield, not a comfortable place.

The enemy you are facing are die-hard anti-communists, who would not change their hostile consciousness against our Republic until their doomsday. And they are imperialist aggressive forces that boast their highly advanced military science and technology and munitions industry plus their centuries-old belligerency.

It is a matter of course that the more fearfully they become aware of their doomsday coming closer, the more frantic the ringleader of aggression and its lackeys, dependent on anti-communism and war for their existence, will go and rush to war till they collapse with sheer exhaustion.

This is evident when we consider what happened on October 1 last, when the rulers of the Republic of Korea, holding a pompous ceremony to mark what they called the "ROK Army Day," glibly read ignoble and disgraceful lines only to reveal their abnormal way of thinking to the outside world.

The puppet regime, attaching special importance to the inauguration of the "strategic command" which they had pushed ahead with as the "core project of the state administration," claimed that their "latest conventional combat capability has finally merged with the extended deterrent capability of the US."

Obviously they do not have any strategic weapons worth mentioning, but they have made up the "strategic command"—without real worth—by borrowing their master's nukes, and praised it as "core unit" and "great build-up of the defence capabilities." They went so far as to give a long and nice narration of how a latest strategic nuclear submarine of the US entered the ROK for the first time in some 40 years, followed by the landing of a strategic bomber for the first time in history. This is a frank and self-praising admission of the record of their intentional and planned worsening of the regional situation in cooperation with their master.

The "congratulatory speech" is simply a presentation of desperate bluff that comes from their inferiority complex in strength and their morbid consciousness of persecution by our state. In a nutshell, it reveals only their absurd intention to maintain at any cost the balance of strength with us by relying on the ROK-US alliance that has mutated into a nuke-based military bloc.

I am saying this as you need to have a clear understanding of our enemy.

In delivering the "congratulatory speech" Yoon Suk

Yeol intentionally made mean and vulgar remarks about ending the government of our Republic. This indicates that he is totally gripped by a blind belief in his master's "might."

As you have learned through newspapers and broadcasts, some days ago I made clear my view of and stand towards this matter.

A wise statesman would not act so rashly as to endanger the security of his country and its population; in dealing with a nuclear-armed rival, rather than opt for a confrontation or face-off with it, he would put emphasis on, and concern himself about, how to handle the situation and avoid military conflict.

It is because this option is absolutely right and helpful to ensure the security of his country.

Doing so is just what a veteran statesman would choose to do, an expression of his political proficiency and finesse.

Then what did the man say in Seoul?

Speaking on the doorstep of a nuclear-armed state, he clamoured about responding with overwhelming military strength. How would this be commented on by the audiences the world over?

Would he be praised for having been born with rare courage? Or would he be described as a patriotic commander or the like?

Even if there appeared a matchless commander unheard-of in the time-honoured history, he would not be able to come up with a realistic method of overcoming the distinctions between the capabilities of nukes and conventional weapons.

This is the very reason that I called him one who is most likely to be considered a man lacking something.

For the Republic of Korea, all that it needs to do in order to guarantee its security is not provoking us into using our military strength.

This is so simple a method.

It would find itself safe if it refrained from provoking us or flexing its muscles before us at times, but it seems that Seoul has no one capable of doing such a simple thing.

To be honest, we have no intention of attacking the Republic of Korea.

Thinking of it is abominable, and we hate dealing with those in it.

Formerly, we often spoke about liberating the south and reunification by force of arms, but now we are not interested in it. And since our statement about two separate states, we have been all the more unwilling to be conscious of the state in the south.

However, the point is that the latter provokes us now and then.

We must keep close watch on the recent developments around our country.

Deeply engrossed in their preposterous schemes to "contain" the non-existent threat against them, the US imperialists and their puppets have converted the ROK-US alliance into a nuclear-based one, and they are growing frantic in their arms build-up. Their desperate clamour for war and provocations threaten to disrupt the balance of strength on the Korean peninsula at any moment.

Their expansion of armaments and military actions are justifiable and self-defensive, whereas our responses are threats and provocations—this is the US imperialists' and their stooges' way of thinking, an illogical and perverted approach that is tantamount to that of the thief crying "Stop thief!"

In other words, it is a robber's logic, namely the problem is not what is being done, but who is doing it.

We do not recognize it, and such far-fetched sophism of the enemy can never check our strength from growing.

The disturbed balance of strategic strength on the Korean peninsula precisely means the outbreak of war.

Therefore, the logic on the self-reliant defence building, the logic that we should possess physical strength with which to always contain the enemy and control the situation is absolutely open and above board.

Our progress towards a military superpower, a nuclear

power, will grow faster.

Now that the ROK-US military alliance has completely changed into a nuclear alliance as the puppets advertise themselves, the preparedness of our state for nuclear counteractions should be further perfected on the high level defying limits.

By the way, I would like to mention that on October 4 a spokesman for the UN secretary general asked us to lower the rhetoric.

I am not sure that such a request was also conveyed to Seoul, but I would take this opportunity to stress once again that the international community should have a proper understanding of my remarks.

I have clearly and consistently put a precondition of the word "if" whenever I clarified our stand on the use of military strength.

Under the precondition of "if," our Constitution will issue a strict order to our armed forces.

If the enemy attempt to have recourse to arms against our state, the armed forces of our Republic will use all the strike capabilities without hesitation.

They will not rule out the use of nuclear weapons.

I stress once again: Pinning hopes for survival in such a situation is useless and no fortune or alleged guardianship of God can protect the ROK.

This is not an issue related to rhetoric as mentioned by the UN, but it is exactly a warning of action.

Confronting us are the largest nuclear power in the world and the most vicious of its puppets attempting to fool with its nukes.

Under such circumstances our view, option and resolve can never be changed.

The enemy should refrain from acting rashly.

They should never slight our warning that if they misunderstand it as something like their worn-out, half-baked bluff, they would pay more dearly for it.

The absolute strength we have possessed at present is discharging in a responsible manner the mission of deterring a war and defending peace.

No forces will dare opt for the use of military strength against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, a military conflict.

However, the more desperately the enemy try to hold supremacy by dint of the "nuclear alliance" and reverse the strategic situation, the more steadily we should make a leap forward in defence science and industry and the more firmly we should consolidate our war deterrent for self-defence.

Our Party and the government of our Republic will never tolerate the balance of strength being disturbed on the Korean peninsula.

We should neutralize the imperialists' adventurist military acts of aggressive nature by dint of the absolute superiority of the strength of the Juche-oriented defence science and technology.

Nothing will overwhelm the strength of the Juche-type weapons loaded with the might of the revolutionary ideas and the do-or-die resistance spirit, and we, based on this strength, should create a new world, in which war, hegemony and injustice shall not be allowed.

This defence university should continue to make responsible and devoted efforts until we accomplish this important mission and righteous cause entrusted to us by the times and history.

The basic task facing the university is to train in larger numbers pillars who would further consolidate and glorify the position of our Republic as a world-class military superpower, competent talents who are possessed of the Juche-oriented ideology and theory on defence science, a wealth of specialist knowledge and practical abilities, and the key to this end is to radically improve the level of its education.

To improve the level of its education is the absolute demand of our Party and revolution, and the university should take the lead in implementing the Party's policy on bringing about a radical turn in education.

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guaranteeing the security of the country and people by our own efforts and in accordance with the characteristics of education in defence science and technology and the global trend of the development of military hardware, the university should formulate its educational programme correctly, reorganize the overall structure of its education and make positive efforts to study and apply advanced teaching methods with the main stress on putting the contents of education on a scientific, practical, comprehensive and modern footing, thus increasing the ranks of talents capable of confidently leading the steady advance and development of our defence industry.

It should thoroughly establish the Juche orientation in the education of defence science and technology so as to play a decisive role in rooting out dogmatic, stereotyped and imitative practices that remain in the defence industry, and pay special attention to intensifying basic science education as suited to its characteristics.

In order for the university to keep up its appearance as befits its position and weight, it should, above all else, improve the quality of the ranks of its teachers and ensure that all of them possess high intellect combined with the qualifications of educators.

With a clear view and stand that improved qualifications are inconceivable separate from scientific research, the teachers and researchers should be proactive in participating in developing cutting-edge military hardware urgently needed in strengthening the country's defence capabilities and perfecting the combat preparedness of the People's Army, as well as in projects to push back the frontiers of defence science and technology. In this way, they can prepare themselves to be talented educationists, who possess as their essential qualifications rich experience in education and latest science and technology so as to create a climate of

talented persons training students to be more talented ones.

The university Party committee should make strenuous efforts to establish more firmly the unified leadership system of the Party and a climate of strictly observing order, keeping secrets and maintaining moral discipline in the campus and lay firm material foundations of the university. In this way, it can constantly improve the working and living conditions for the teachers, researchers and students, who are invaluable for our Party.

The Party and the state should give active support to the defence university in its work and throw their weight behind it.

Relevant departments of the Party Central Committee should pay close attention to the university's work and give proper Party-oriented guidance to the university. Other relevant sectors and units should take measures for solving on a priority basis the problems arising in the management and operation of the university.

It is the determination of the Party Central Committee to radically transform the appearance and educational environment of the university with the goal of turning it into one of the most prestigious universities in the world at an earlier date.

The university should be furnished with the latest educational apparatuses and equipment and IT means so that other universities dare not compare themselves with it in terms of the level of modernization.

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The validity and superiority of our Party's defence policy and the Korean-style education policy and our state's scientific and technological force and its level of remarkable development should be represented by the prestige and reputation of this university, and the honour of renowned red scientists creating new things from nothing if they are needed for our revolution should belong to its graduates.

Defence university students who will carry through the revolution following our Party,

All of you, wearing the military uniform of the revolution in your precious university days and spending these days filled with a sense of uncommon mission and patriotic enthusiasm, should keep in mind that your academic records reflect your revolutionary faith, patriotism and loyalty and be ardent in studying and earnest in thinking, thus preparing yourselves to be pillars who will shoulder the future of the Juche-oriented defence science and munitions industry.

You should always bear in mind that as students of the defence university, you should be called exemplary young students of Korea, who cherish loyalty to your country and revolution as your lifeblood, are well-versed in the latest scientific and technological advances in your major fields, and are possessed of creative abilities.

To develop the defence university into the highest institute responsible for producing without interruption talented revolutionary personnel and world-renowned inventors that are representative of the future of our munitions industry and defence science, and into an authoritative and prestigious defence science research centre, in order to ensure the eternal security and prosperity of our country—this is the Party Central Committee's firm determination and will.

Fully convinced that all the teachers, researchers, students and graduates of the university, mindful of the expectations of their Party, country and fellow people, will continue to demonstrate the excellence of the revolutionary industry by displaying their ennobling revolutionary spirit, achieving substantial progress in education, making high academic achievements and developing powerful weapons, I once again extend warm congratulations and offer my heartfelt tribute to our Party's faithful revolutionary soldiers and true patriots on the occasion of their holiday.

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victorious banner of Juche Korea who ushers in a new era of the greatest and most dignified power in the history of the development of the DPRK with his iron faith, pluck, far-sighted wisdom and energetic and immortal leadership, as he regards the self-reliant defence as the mainstay of the defence and development of the revolution.

He received a salute from Col. General Jon Il Ho, president of the university.

An educator and a student of the university presented him with bouquets of fragrant flowers in humble reverence.

He warmly congratulated the reliable teaching staff and students who are upholding the Party's far-reaching cause of building a military power with the steadfast revolutionary spirit, matchless scientific and technological capabilities and proud academic achievements at the university, the source of the inexhaustible self-defensive military capability firmly guaranteeing the mightiness and invincibility of the state.

He was accompanied by Jo Chun Ryong, secretary of the WPK Central Committee, Kim Jong Sik, first deputy department director of the WPK Central Committee, Jang Chang Ha, director general of the Missile Administration of the DPRK, Ri Yong Gil, chief of the General Staff of the Korean People's Army, Jong Kyong Thae, director of the KPA General Political Bureau.

Kim Jong Un made a historic speech in commemoration of his congratulatory visit to the university.

Saying that it is a great pleasure of the WPK and the people and an auspicious event of the whole country to mark the 60th founding anniversary of the supreme academy of defence science and technology of the DPRK, which was born with the most sacred and just mission and has added brilliance to its name with the proud feats and academic achievements that it made for the country and revolution, he warmly congratulated all the lecturers, researchers, officials and students of the university on behalf of the WPK Central Committee, the government and all the armed forces of the DPRK.

Clarifying the immutable truth that the university of national defence is the most precious strategic asset for the revolutionary Party and people, he referred to the historic significance of the founding of the university which was born 60 years ago as a creation of the steadfast revolutionary will of the WPK to defend to the end the gains of the revolution won at the cost of blood by firmly holding its destiny in its own hands and the crystallization of its firm faith and ideal to provide an eternal guarantee for dignity and prosperity by building up great strength, and to its proud history and remarkable feats.

Analyzing the true colours and unchangeable nature of the imperialist aggressive entity which the DPRK has

been confronting and its ever-more frantic provocative acts, he demonstrated the perfectness and validity of the DPRK's logic of building self-defence capability that it should have physical strength capable of always deterring the enemy and keeping the situation under control. He solemnly declared that the WPK and the government of the DPRK would never allow the balance of forces to be disrupted on the Korean peninsula, but bring about a continuous leap forward in defence science and industry and limitlessly bolster up the war deterrent for self-defence.

Underscoring the need to neutralize the imperialists' aggressive and adventurous military activities with absolute superiority of the Juche-oriented defence sci-tech capabilities, he set forth the basic duty the university assumes in accomplishing the important historic mission and just cause of building a new world, in which war, hegemony and injustice are not tolerated, by dint of the Juche-oriented weapons loaded with the might of revolutionary ideology and the spirit of death-defying resistance, and important tasks for fulfilling it.

Expressing the firm will of the Party Central Committee to successfully build the university into the supreme temple where the revolutionary talents and world-famous inventors representing the future of the DPRK's munitions industry and defence science are continually trained and into a prestigious and renowned

defence science research centre, so as to guarantee the eternal well-being and prosperity of the country, he expressed belief that all the lecturers, researchers, students and graduates of the university would demonstrate forever the supremacy of the revolutionary industry with the fruition of noble revolutionary spirit and educational development and excellent academic successes and powerful entities, mindful of the expectations of the Party, country and people.

When he finished his speech, the participants responded with cheers of single-hearted loyalty as they looked up to the great teacher who clarified the great strategy of struggle for firmly defending and glorifying forever the ever-victorious prestige and honour of our state gained with the great revolutionary ideology and indomitable spirit and through the costly struggle and has guided the defence scientists in the drive to break through the cutting edge for boosting the defence capabilities.

He extended militant greetings to the teaching staff, students and graduates who were filled with the burning enthusiasm to absolutely guarantee the implementation of the Party's national defence policy with death-defying patriotic devotion, steady exertions and remarkable educational and scientific achievements by redoubling the absolute sense of mission they have assumed before the Party, revolution,

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country and people.

He went round the room for education in the revolutionary history and the room dedicated to the history of the university.

He recalled with deep emotion the immortal exploits of President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il who declared the establishment of the centre for training talents in defence science and technology for the eternal dignity and might of the Korean revolution in the first half of the 1960s when the historic advance for the simultaneous promotion of economic construction and defence buildup, the embodiment of the WPK's idea of defending the country by national efforts, started and who developed it into a national defence university with worldwide prestige and reputation.

Saying that the proud history of the university, which has produced more than 180 DPRK heroes and labour heroes and dozens of winners of the highest orders

in the past 60 years, is the epitome of the brilliant feats it performed as it played a core and pivotal role in accomplishing the historic cause of increasing national self-defence capabilities, he noted that the legendary reputation of the university, which has paved the way for the victorious advance of the country with loyalty to the Party and the revolution and great ability, should flutter as a banner in the vanguard of the struggle for securing the greatest military technological capability in the world.

The present world in which the destiny of a country and nation is decided by the national defence capability clearly proves that there is a sure guarantee for the existence of a state and its prosperity in systematically training a large contingent of talented personnel in the field of defence science and technology who have made the validity of their cause and ardent patriotism part of their mental qualities, he said, urging the university to train more revolutionary talents representing the future of the munitions industry and defence science, directly

related to the future destiny of the country and revolution, and thus fulfill the important mission it has assumed before the times.

He repeatedly stressed the steadfast will of the Party to develop the university into the best one with the highest ability in the country and the most prestigious research-type one in the world where the integration of education, scientific research and production has been realized on the highest level, and took a benevolent measure to successfully spruce up its educational conditions and environment in a comprehensive way as required by the new era.

He met the meritorious officials, scientists and technicians in the field of national defence industry, who visited their alma mater on the occasion of its diamond jubilee, and had a picture taken with them.

Then he had a photo session with the teaching staff and students of the university greeting its 60th founding anniversary, which will be eternally recorded in the history.

All the teaching staff, students and graduates extended their gratitude to the benevolent father who visited the university to illuminate the path of a new revolution in the defence education with his original ideological and theoretical wisdom and extraordinary scientific insight and to show them warm love.

All the teaching staff and students raised stormy cheers out of loyalty and resolution while warmly seeing off Kim Jong Un who was leaving the university after showing love and trust to be handed down through generations.

The noble trace left by the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un in the pedigree institution for training talents in defence science and technology will shine forever in history as a significant occasion which injected great vitality into the implementation of the WPK's far-reaching strategy for further consolidating and glorifying the irreversible position of the DPRK, which has emerged as the world's military power, and as an important milestone in the revolution in national defence education.



Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspects regional-industry factories under construction in North Phyongan Province

He specifies such important and principled orientations and ways for expanding the regional construction

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, visited the regional-industry factories under construction in North Phyongan Province and guided the construction project.

Accompanying him were Ri Yong Gil, chief of the General Staff of the Korean People's Army, Jong Kyong Thack, director of the KPA General Political Bureau, Jong Myong Do, first deputy chief of the KPA General Staff, Kim Yong Bok and Ri Chang Ho, deputy chiefs of the KPA General Staff,

other KPA commanding officers and cadres of the WPK Central Committee. The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un

was greeted on the spot by the commanding officers of the KPA units engaged in the construction project.

Expressing great satisfaction over the

The officers and men, involved in the construction of regional-industry factories in the province, are pushing ahead with the construction project at the final stage after setting it as a primary requirement to ensure quality in construction, true to the important task Kim Jong Un advanced while giving field guidance at regional-industry factories under construction in different areas.

Going round the construction sites, Kim Jong Un learned in detail about the construction work.



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fact that soldier-builders have ensured high quality in construction as required by modernization and standardization, he noted with high appreciation that they did construction well. Fully reflected in each building are our army's spirit and stand of devotedly implementing the Party's policies, and this is an expression of patriotism, loyalty to the Party and the revolution and love for hometown, he added.

To establish a correct ideological viewpoint is important in construction, too, and there is nothing impossible to do when people are stimulated ideologically, he said, noting that the service personnel have grown up, through the construction process, to be pioneers of the times and masters of creation who know the true meaning of patriotism and uphold the country and people with pure conscience and practice. This is a precious success that is incomparable to anything, he

added.

It is hard to find here such defects as those revealed in the construction of regional-industry factories in some cities and counties, he said, stating that they have made fresh progress in improving quality by actively applying the excellent Korean-style building methods created in practice. He called on the construction regiments dispatched to cities and counties to learn from the experience gained in the construction of regional-industry factories in the province.

He said it is worthy of praise that the KPA has built up the force of commanding officers of construction units at all levels, promptly solved the problems arising in the construction and powerfully pushed ahead with the construction project, mindful of the noble intention of the Party Central Committee which set forth the construction of regional-industry factories as an important task for hastening the regional development.

A new change is now being made in the view of officials and builders on construction and the traits of giving priority to quality are prevailing over the whole area of construction, he noted, saying it is an affirmative trend guaranteeing the development of our architecture.

As is always emphasized, architectural structures reflect our ideology, policy and aesthetic view and the indications of the times and, accordingly, architecture is an extension and epitome of politics, he said, adding that even if we erect a single structure, we should build it wonderfully and perfectly as a symbol of the era that we can show to our younger generations with a clear conscience, on the honour of our times and our generation.

He instructed in detail such important and principled orientations and ways for expanding the regional construction as the issue of designing advanced public health facilities, facilities for science, education, life and cultural activities

and grain management facilities in a rational and practical way suited to the use of relevant buildings, the issue of thoroughly ensuring the practical utility and modernity in design of industrial buildings and the issue of building up the force of skilled workers.

He expressed belief that the soldier-builders dispatched to the province would as ever uphold the implementation of the Party's Regional Development 20x10 Policy with signal successes in construction and play the role of pacesetters in the vanguard of the 10-year revolution for the regional rejuvenation.

The officers and men of the KPA units were filled with the strong determination to contribute to the prosperity of the great state and the promotion of the people's well-being by pushing on with the gigantic creation campaign for bringing about an epochal change of regions, cherishing the great trust and expectations of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un as their lifeblood.

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees live artillery firing drill of graduates of O Jin U Artillery Academy

He sets forth the goal to be attained by the artillery education sector



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, oversaw a live artillery firing drill of the 75th-term graduates of O Jin U Artillery Academy on the eve of their appointment as active commanding officers of the core arm of the Korean People's Army.

Accompanying him were Ri Yong Gil, chief of the KPA General Staff, Jong Kyong Thack, director of the General Political Bureau of the KPA, Jong Myong Do, first deputy chief of the KPA General Staff, and Kim Yong Bok and Ri Chang Ho, deputy chiefs of the KPA General Staff.

Kim Jong Un was greeted at the firing range by commanding officers of the academy.

Inspecting the academy, a "pedigree" establishment for training core artillery forces of the DPRK, early in September, he had clearly indicated the important guidelines for training all its undergraduates, who will shoulder the future of the Juche-based artillery forces, into all-round, a-match-for-a-hundred artillerymen and artillery talents possessed of full combat command capability. Then he had made a promise to make time to oversee a live firing by its graduates.

The firing range was filled with

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militant enthusiasm of the teachers and cadets of the academy, who were to show him the marksmanship they had refined single-mindedly with the day's highest honour and deep gratitude of meeting the great iron-willed brilliant commander on their campus and learning the truth of the Party's philosophy of the artillery.

At the observation post, Kim Jong Un was briefed of the plan for artillery firing and the decision of the rector of the academy according to the simulated battle conditions.

The cadets of the academy quickly judged the firing data and launched the firing all together.

Shells, charged with the high spirit of the cadets to annihilate the enemy and safeguard the territory of the country with merciless and fierce shellfire, hit the targets one after another.

The cadets fully displayed the actual war capabilities, which they had stoutly cultivated, mindful of the ideas of the Party Central Committee of getting well versed in the Juche-based artillery tactics and artillery pieces of different

missions and making full preparations for promptly responding to any situation and overwhelmingly containing and destroying the enemy.

Watching their skilled handling of artillery pieces and good marksmanship with satisfaction, Kim Jong Un said that he could see that the academy had attached importance to the military theoretical education and the training for real war, and expressed great satisfaction over the live firing results.

He stressed the need to make the cadets continue to strive to attain new goals by further raising the standards of judgment in accuracy and concentration in the future live firing.

The live firing results shown by cadets of the academy today are a demonstration of the validity and vitality of the Party's policy on military education and on bringing about a radical turn in training and a proud level reached by the field of artillery education, he said, calling on the academy to fully meet the requirements of the Party's policy on hitting the targets without test firing and improve the quality of artillery education with the main stress put on

constantly teaching the guerrilla war tactics to wipe out the enemies through rapid mobile and surprise operations in conformity with the actual conditions in the operational areas.

Saying that to raise the standards of overall sci-tech knowledge and practical qualifications of the artillery officers and men is a more urgent and pressing task, he set forth the goals to be attained by the artillery education sector in the future.

He said that the graduates' records are a voucher to their ability of military studies and a guarantee for the security of the country and the people. He stressed that the graduates from the academy should ensure the steady progress of the artillery forces with their high political consciousness of being commanding officers in charge of core arm of our army, operational and tactical insight and excellent marksmanship.

After watching the live artillery firing drill, he went to the firing position and warmly congratulated the reliable reserve commanding officers who demonstrated the honour of the academy with marksmanship of never missing targets.

Expressing belief and confidence that

the graduates of the academy would become an engine for making the artillery positions of the entire army the solid support points for hastening the war victory and always remain faithful to the honourable duty of the KPA commanding officers with absolute loyalty to the Party and revolution, the country and the people and the spirit of devoted service, he had a photo session with them.

Looking up with great excitement to Kim Jong Un who personally guided the live firing of the graduates who are to take the first step as the commanding officers of the first arm of our revolutionary armed forces and instilled high confidence and matchless courage into them, the cadets raised stormy cheers of hurrah.

Commanding officers, teachers and cadets of the academy hardened their will to make positive contributions to demonstrating the might of the artillery forces as the strongest arm in the world by upholding with perfect practice the leadership of the great brilliant commander, who is devoting himself to the development of the Juche-based artillery forces while making continuous field inspection of the army.



People call WPK their motherly Party

By Ri Sung Ik PT

The Party of the people—it is the only raison d'être, the highest index and eternal original feature of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Since it declared its founding to the whole world, the WPK has given top priority to and regarded as absolute the interests and convenience of the people in all policy making and implementation, directed all assets of society to promoting the well-being of the people and made every effort to provide the people with a cultured life.

The great Kimilsungism-

Kimjongilism, the guiding ideology of the WPK, is an ideology based on the people-first principle which calls for regarding the masses of the people as masters of the revolution and construction, relying on them and making selfless, devoted efforts for the good of them, and the supreme principle of its activities is to steadily improve the material and cultural life of the people.

On the basis of them, it has served the people faithfully for nearly 80 years.

Today the WPK has further developed into a genuine people's party, which holds the people sacred and respects them, under the wise

leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Thanks to the decisions adopted at the important Party meetings held in the past ten odd years, many factories, enterprises, fisheries bases and fruit farms for improving the people's living standards have been remodelled and modernized or newly built on this land, fully displaying their vitality.

And by these decisions the people have become masters and enjoyers of the material wealth created on this land.

The masters of streets and villages which sprang up in Pyongyang and all other parts of

the country are ordinary working people including farmers, and those who enjoy themselves happily at the Mirim Riding Club, Mirim Aviation Club, Munsu Water Park and other cultural and leisure centres are also the people. And they are the sons and daughters of the people who grow up healthily eating nutritious and delicious dairy products and learn to their heart's content, regularly supplied with new uniforms, shoes, bags and other school things.

As they enjoy benefits from these people-oriented policies and material wealth, the Korean people are very grateful for them because

all of them reflect the WPK's noble outlook on the people.

Therefore, they say that the history of the WPK is precisely the course followed by the people, its strength is that of the people, its greatness that of the people and its victory that of the great DPRK people.

As it has never thought of its existence and a step forward of the revolution without the people even a moment, but worked hard not for any ism or authority but to protect and uphold the people with sincerity, bring happiness to them and serve their interests, the DPRK people follow and support the WPK, calling it their mother.

Eleventh Session of 14th SPA of DPRK held

KCNA

The 11th Session of the 14th Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK took place at the Mansudae Assembly Hall in Pyongyang on October 7-8.

Present there were deputies to the SPA, and as observers officials of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, the Standing Committee of the SPA, the Cabinet, ministries, national agencies and armed forces organs, chairpersons of provincial, city and county people's committees and other officials concerned in Pyongyang and local areas.

The platform was taken by senior officials of the Party, the government and the military including Kim Tok Hun, Choe Ryong Hae and Ri Pyong Chol who are members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK, speaker and deputy speakers of the SPA, members of the State Affairs Commission and vice-chairperson, secretary general and members of the Standing Committee of the SPA.



Pak In Chol, speaker of the SPA, delivered an opening address.

As the session was declared open, the national anthem of the DPRK was played.

The 11th Session of the 14th SPA of the DPRK brought up the following agenda items for discussion:

First, on amending and supplementing some contents

of the Socialist Constitution of the DPRK

Second, on deliberating on and adopting the Law of the DPRK on Light Industry

Third, on deliberating on and adopting the Law of the DPRK on External Economic Affairs

Fourth, on the state of inspection and supervision of the enforcement of the Law of the DPRK on Quality Control

Fifth, organizational matter of the SPA Standing Committee, made a report on the first agenda item.

He said that in order for the Socialist Constitution to fully discharge its mission as a powerful legal weapon for glorifying the new era of a great powerful country, an era of our-state-first principle, it is needed to specify in it in time the WPK's outstanding idea on national building and action programmes for it which meet the requirements of the changing and developing revolution and the aspirations and interests of the people.

He noted that the content of amending the working and voting ages of the DPRK

citizens was reflected in the relevant agenda item as the age of students who finish senior middle schools changes from this year after the adoption of the Law of the SPA on Enforcement of the Universal 12-Year Compulsory Education System.

He said that the working and voting ages of citizens

were rectified and stipulated in the supplemented amendments to the Socialist Constitution, making it possible to guarantee by law the right of schoolchildren to learn to their heart's content under the benevolent and most advantageous socialist educational system and the right of citizens to work by devoting all their wisdom and passion to the prosperity of the country with noble civic consciousness.

Saying that it is the steadfast will of the DPRK government to usher in a new era of comprehensive national rejuvenation by faithfully following the outstanding ideology and leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un with the Socialist Constitution as a powerful political weapon for building a powerful country, he proposed the relevant draft amendment to the SPA for deliberation.

The session adopted with unanimous approval the ordinance of the DPRK SPA "On amending and supplementing some contents of the Socialist Constitution of the DPRK".

It discussed the drafts of the DPRK laws on light industry and external economic affairs as the following agenda items.

Kang Yun Sok, vice-chairman of the SPA Standing Committee, made a report on the second and third agenda items.

He said that the relevant draft laws reflect the principled issues arising in providing a firm legal guarantee for the rapid development of light industry, which plays an important role in improving the people's living standards, and in expanding external economic relations in a diverse way, and explained the relevant contents chapter by chapter.



The SPA Standing Committee submitted the drafts of the laws on light industry and external economic affairs in accordance with Article 95 of the Socialist Constitution to the SPA for deliberation.

At the session, speeches were made on the relevant agenda items by Kim Myong Hun, Kim Chang Sok, Jo Yong Chol, Pak Kun Sok, Mun Yong Son, Yun Jong Ho, Sin Chang Il and Kim Hye Yong.

They expressed full support to the drafts proposed for deliberation, acknowledging that they were drawn up to be able to provide legal environment and conditions for the development of light industry directly related to the improvement of the people's living standards and contribute to the independent and sustainable development of the national economy by conducting external economic affairs on a wide scale.

The session held study and consultative meetings on the drafts of the sector-specific laws, deliberated on and supplemented constructive opinions of deputies and adopted the ordinances of the DPRK SPA "On Adopting the Law of the DPRK on Light Industry" and "On Adopting the Law of the

DPRK on External Economic Affairs".

At the discussion of the fourth agenda item, a report was made on the inspection and supervision of the enforcement of the Law on Quality Control to be followed by speeches by Jo Kyong Guk, Ri Song Bom, Rim Sun Hui, Ri Yong Chol and Kim Yun Sil.

The reporter and speakers said that the quality of products is one of important criteria showing the level of economic and technological development and civilization of countries and referred to the successes made in the work for improving the quality of products in hearty response to the important tasks set forth at the plenary meetings of the Party Central Committee and to a series of shortcomings that should be overcome.

They stressed that the observance of the law on quality control is the defence and fulfilment of the people's demands and interests and vowed to further intensify the quality control work and enhance the role of the supervisory organs so as to make positive contributions to the national economic development and the improvement of the people's living standards.

Deputies came up with

opinions and plans for improving quality control as required by the reality.

The session adopted a decision of the DPRK SPA "On Thoroughly Implementing the Law of the DPRK on Quality Control".

The organizational matter was discussed as its fifth agenda item.

No Kwang Chol was appointed as minister of National Defence of the DPRK.

Ri Man Su was appointed as minister of State Construction Control.

Kim Song Bin was appointed as chairman of the State Commission of Science and Technology.

Pang Tu Sop was by-elected as chairman of the Legislation Committee of the SPA.

Speaker Pak In Chol delivered a closing address.

The 11th Session of the 14th SPA rounded off its work amid the high political consciousness and enthusiasm of the participants to thoroughly guarantee the state administration through their positive actions and efforts for the prosperity of the great state and the promotion of the people's well-being, deeply aware of their responsibility as representatives of the people.

On the occasion of 79th anniversary of WPK

Members of Party central leadership body pay homage to great leaders at Kumsusan Palace of Sun

KCNA

Members of the Party central leadership body including Kim Tok Hun, Choe Ryong Hac and Ri Pyong Chol, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK, and officials of the Party Central Committee visited the supreme temple of Juche on October 10 to mark the 79th founding anniversary of the WPK.

They entered the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, bearing in mind that the longest ruling history of the WPK is shining thanks to the immortal leadership of the peerlessly great men who put it forward as the noble ideal of party founding to build a powerful vanguard of the revolution that takes responsibility for the destiny of the working people and the country to the last and guides them to communism and wisely led the WPK to win victory after victory by faithfully carrying forward its revolutionary character and original features.

A flower basket in the name of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un was laid before the statues of President Kim Il Sung and



Members of the Party central leadership body visit the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun to pay homage to President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il on October 10.

Chairman Kim Jong Il.

Baskets of flowers in the name of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK, the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK and the Cabinet of the DPRK were laid before the statues.

The participants paid high tribute to the President and the Chairman at their statues.

At the halls of immortality where

the President and the Chairman are preserved in their lifetime appearance, they made deep bows to them praying for their eternal life with the firm will to perfectly apply the ideal and spirit of party founding by thoroughly implementing the five-point line of party building in the new era set forth by the great Party Central Committee and thus carry forward the lifeline and ever-victorious leadership ability of the WPK through all generations of the revolution.

Members of Party central leadership body visit revolutionary site for Party founding

Members of the Party central leadership body visit the Revolutionary Site for Party Founding on October 9.



KCNA

Kim Tok Hun, Choe Ryong Hac and Ri Pyong Chol, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, and other members of the Party central leadership body visited the Revolutionary Site for Party Founding on October 9.

Among the visitors were officials of the WPK Central Committee, deputies to the Supreme People's Assembly and lecturers and researchers of the Central Cadres Training School of the WPK.

They went round the Party Founding Museum at the time-honoured sacred place associated with the revolutionary history

of President Kim Il Sung who successfully accomplished the historic cause of founding the WPK.

Looking up to the photos of the President in different rooms, they remembered the undying feats of the peerlessly great man who spent the days of energetic thinking and leadership to accomplish the historic cause of building the party, state and army.

They keenly realized that the dignity and glory of the WPK as the great Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist Party are being further demonstrated thanks to the outstanding revolutionary ideas and energetic guidance of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Gala evening, fireworks display climax WPK anniv celebrations



A gala evening of youth and students and fireworks display take place at Kim Il Sung Square on October 10.

KCNA

There were a gala evening of youth and students and fireworks display at Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang on October 10 in celebration of the 79th anniversary of the founding of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The event started with the singing of the song "Mother's Birthday"

Youth and students spread a sea of dances to the tune of such songs as "Our Leader Beloved of People" and "Glory to Our Great Party".

Singing hymns to the Party together, the participants danced circle dances with

the joy of spending the most fulfilling period in life in the benevolent embrace of the respected fatherly Marshal Kim Jong Un, full of optimism.

As lively dances were performed in succession, fireworks went off in the sky over the square and the "Song in Praise of Youth" reverberated through the venue, enlivening the gala.

All kinds of fireworks exploded continuously to light up the nocturnal sky of October and the venue of the celebration brimmed with the delight of youth, students and citizens spending the happy holiday.



On the occasion of 79th anniversary of WPK

Nation celebrates founding anniversary of WPK

KCNA

All the people across the country significantly celebrated the 79th founding anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea.

An endless stream of visitors flowed to the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, the sacred temple of Juche where President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il, founder and builders of the WPK, are preserved in their lifetime appearance, to pay tribute to them.

Entering the park of its plaza, the visitors made deep bows to the portraits of the great leaders praying for their immortality.

Officials, working people, service personnel, youth and students visited the statues of the great



leaders and mosaics depicting the peerlessly great persons across the country including those on Mansu Hill to lay flower baskets, bouquets and

flowers before them. Many people also visited the Monument to Party Founding.

There were national flag-raising ceremonies in

different parts of the country. Visitors to the Fifth National Sculpture and Craftwork Festival held at the Pyongyang International House of Culture to celebrate



the 79th founding anniversary of the WPK looked round sculptures and craftworks reflecting the best wishes of all people to the great motherly Party.

Celebratory meetings and oratorical meetings were held by working people's organizations in South Phyongan, Jagang and North Hamgyong provinces, the city of Kaesong and other parts of the country.

Performances were given in Pyongyang and other parts of the country to celebrate the October holiday.

Dance parties of young people and members of the women's union held across the country revved up the festive atmosphere.

Service networks in the capital city and the provinces were crowded with visitors.

The Central Zoo, Natural History Museum, Munsu Water Park and other cultural and leisure centres were filled with happy laughter of the people.

Colourful WPK anniversary celebrations

KCNA

Performance of youth league art squad

A performance "Ode of Young People to the Motherly Party" was given by the artistic information squad of the Central Committee of the Socialist Patriotic Youth League at the Central Youth Hall in

Pyongyang on October 9 to celebrate the 79th founding anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Among the audience were officials of the youth league and youth and students in Pyongyang.

Joint performance of workers

The workers' artistic information group of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea (GFTUK) and the mobile artistic motivation team of the Pyongyang Kim Jong Suk Textile Mill gave a joint performance "Glory to Our Motherly Party" on October 8 to mark the 79th founding anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Put on the stage of the performance which started with male quintet "Long Live the Workers' Party of Korea" were colourful numbers reflecting all the Korean workers'

best wishes for the great Workers' Party of Korea which has always put them forward as creators of miracles and feats.

The performers sang in high praise of the undying feats of the peerlessly great men who developed the WPK into a genuine motherly party which takes care of the people's destiny in a responsible manner and a mass party enjoying absolute support and trust from the people.

Officials of the GFTUK Central Committee and trade union officials, workers and union members in Pyongyang enjoyed the performance.

Dance party of women's union officials, members

A dance party of officials and members of the women's union took place at the plaza of the Arch of Triumph on October 10.

It began with the playing of the song "Glory to Our Great Party" singing of boundless gratitude to and reverence for the motherly Party.

The participants danced full of pride of enjoying all blessings in a dignified socialist power and genuine people's country led by

the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

The event fully showed the enthusiasm of officials and members of the women's union to fully demonstrate the revolutionary stamina of the Korean women in the effort to usher in a new era of comprehensive national rejuvenation by invariably following the great Party.

Similar events took place across the country on the same day.

(UAWK) at the Phungjong-ri Hall of Culture in Jungsan County, South Phyongan Province, on October 8.

Kim Kum Chol, department director of the UAWK Central Committee, related the main content of a memoir of virtue "The story about our Party flag and emblem".

Speakers said that all the people in the country are full of confidence and optimism that they will always emerge victorious and greet all glory, thanks to the WPK which is shining with the august names of President Kim Il Sung and Chairman

Kim Jong Il and which is led by the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

They called for doing their best with patriotism to successfully conclude this year's farming and thus repaying with higher agricultural production results the trust of the Party which put them forward as the master responsible for the country's granary.

Present at the meeting were officials of the Central Committee of the UAWK, officials concerned and agricultural workers in the county.

Performance of art squad of women's union central committee

The art squad of the Central Committee of the Socialist Women's Union of Korea gave a performance titled "The Care of the Motherly Party" at the Hall of Women

on October 9 to celebrate the 79th founding anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Among the audience were officials and members of the women's union in Pyongyang.

Study session of agricultural workers

A meeting to hear impressions of the reminiscences on virtues of the peerlessly great men was

held by agricultural workers and members of the Union of Agricultural Workers of Korea

Story-telling meeting of schoolchildren

A story-telling meeting of schoolchildren took place at the Pyongyang Municipal Youth Park Open-Air Theatre on October 8 to celebrate the 79th anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Present there were officials of the youth league, schoolchildren in Pyongyang and students from the flood-hit areas staying in the capital city.

The performers told about the loving care taken by the respected fatherly Marshal Kim Jong Un who values

the rising generation dearest and provides them with all kinds of happiness.

Put on the stage were works of child poems reflecting the unanimous desire of schoolchildren to give pleasure to the fatherly Marshal with high scholarly performance.

Schoolchildren from the flood-hit areas stressed that the respected fatherly Marshal had worked heart and soul to realize their precious dreams of learning and bring their hope and talents into full bloom.

Men's volleyball game celebrates WPK birthday

KCNA

There was a men's volleyball game between the Kigwancha and Sobacksu teams at Pyongyang Indoor Stadium on October 9 to celebrate the 79th founding

anniversary of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Among the spectators were Choe Ryong Hae, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, first vice-president of the

State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, and other senior Party, government and military officials, officials of the WPK Central Committee,

deputies to the Supreme People's Assembly, men and officers of the Korean People's Army, working people and youth and students in Pyongyang.

The Kigwancha beat the Sobacksu 3-0.



Abundant crops, farmland seething with harvest

By Kim Rye Yong PT

Every plot of farmland bears heavy crops despite the unfavourable climatic conditions.

The whole country turned out in the drive to do farming well under the leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea

from the beginning of the year as the implementation of the grain production plan is not a matter confined to the agricultural sector, but an important undertaking to guarantee the victorious advance of socialism.

The readjustment and reinforcement project of the irrigation system of the

country was undertaken on a nationwide scale. Farming materials and farm machines were fully supplied and modern houses built in rural villages, further consolidating the material and technical foundations of the agricultural sector and arousing the enthusiasm of the agricultural workers.

The harvest is now in full swing in each field to round off this year's farming.

According to information available, the rice harvest reached an 88 percent level across the country as of October 5 and over 50 cities and counties finished it.

Officials of the Agricultural Commission

and the agricultural guidance organs of provinces, cities and counties have taken scrupulous steps to ensure that the estimated crop yield leads to crop harvest.

South Hwanghae Province, the biggest agricultural province of the country, increases the actual production results every day.

Songchon County of South Phyongan Province finished the rice harvest ten days earlier than before.

Rice harvest at the farms on the east coast including South Hamgyong, Kangwon and North Hamgyong provinces has reached the levels of 93, 91 and 88 percent respectively.



41 600 families move into new houses in rural villages



By Han Jong Ho PT

This year, more than 41 600 families have so far moved into new houses built by the country in 141 cities and counties.

This is the third year since the start of the implementation of the rural construction programme of the Workers' Party of Korea.

The WPK put forward in 2022 a new programme for bringing about a revolutionary turn in the countryside, emphasizing the significance and importance of rural development in the comprehensive growth of socialism.

As its implementation makes dynamic progress, modern farmhouses awaited and welcomed by the agricultural workers are mushrooming in different parts of the country.

The number of rural villages whose construction has been completed throughout the country so far this year has grown in geometrical progression, compared with those built in the same period of the first and second years of the implementation of the rural revolution programme.

According to an official concerned, the number of

farmhouses to be completed across the country will increase considerably by the end of this year.

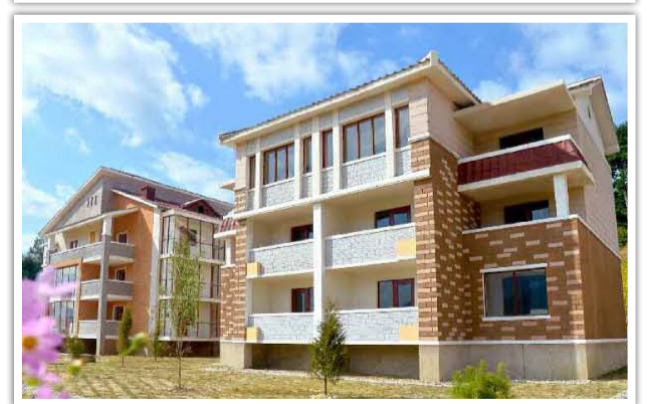
The news about the happy events of moving into new houses has been reported every day by newspapers, radio and television, enlivening the whole country all the year round.

The styles of farmhouses also evolve with each passing day.

Agricultural workers express heartfelt gratitude and excitement after being provided by the country with modern flats on a par with urban ones or more singular and stylish.

In Munam-ri of Pujon County, a family received 12 licences for the use of houses, including parents and their children. And at the Ryonghung Farm in Thaecheon County, a demobbed soldier who has just returned to his home village became the owner of a new house.

When the newlyweds were moved to tears of gratitude after receiving a new house at the Naejung Farm in Yomju County, a farmer at the Namyang Farm of Kilju County expressed his excitement at the ceremony for moving into new houses, saying that new houses were allocated even to his children.



Children's flower garden undergoes renovation

By Pang Un Ju PT

The April 15 Children's Flower Garden, which stands opposite the Mangyongdae Schoolchildren's Palace, recently underwent renovation.

The flower garden was originally built as an extracurricular training base for fostering the love for the nature and giving ample knowledge on different plants and forests among schoolchildren in October 33 years ago.

"Covering an area of 16 hectares, the flower garden has 12 700 trees of good species, including zelkova and rose, and 55 000 flowering plants and conditions for cultural and leisure activities, so it has been transformed into a flower garden where all kinds of flowers grow," said Kim

Kwang Myong, staffer of the flower garden.

In particular, its plant exhibition hall and dancing fountain underwent a complete change.

Divided into general, tropical, temperate and arctic plant halls, the plant exhibition hall has put on display 300-odd species of plants among about 350 000 plant species growing on the earth.

At the general plant hall, there are dozens of species of plants including pine, magnolia, azalea and *Cissus rhombifolia*.

Visitors can see multimedia presentations on the characteristics of plants, while being briefed on the biological features of specific plants growing in the tropical, temperate and polar plant halls and various other common sense problems,

guided by a robot in the shape of a beautiful maiden lecturer.

According to Kim Kwang Myong, since the inauguration of the flower garden which was renovated in mid-July, not only students but also adults have frequented there.

Dancing fountain pools were refashioned to meet the modern sense of beauty and different shapes of fountain facilities were newly installed.

The dancing fountain in which streams of water change into different heights and shapes to the tune of music coming from the acoustic equipment adds pleasure, optimism and delight to the viewers.

The flower garden is fully equipped with the conditions for cultural and leisure activities.

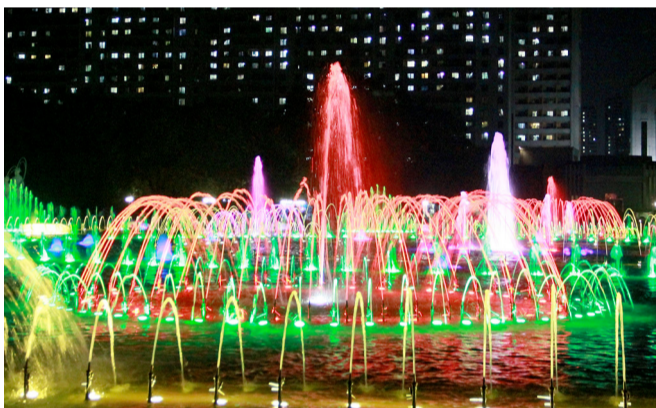
Students can play

basketball, volleyball and badminton games at courts, and resting places and flower beds nestle in different sections. Visitors can enjoy boating in a lake where an artificial waterfall falls from the height of eight metres.

The three-storey general service building consisting of the folk game hall and video games room and over ten other buildings such as a soft drink service building, flower shop and flower production greenhouse were newly built to add beauty to scenery to the flower garden.

When darkness sets in, the nocturnal view of the flower garden arouses elegant and conspicuous emotion thanks to the various shapes and colours of decorative lighting.

Many students and working people visit the April 15 Children's Flower Garden every day.



Many schoolchildren and working people visit the April 15 Children's Flower Garden every day. RI RYON SONG / THE PYONGYANG TIMES

Public catering facilities on Kyonghung Street lure many

By Ri Sang Il PT

Public catering facilities on Kyonghung Street in Pyongyang are a favourite haunt of many.

They include a beer house, pulgogi (roast meat) house and dedicated restaurant for wedding ceremonies. Particularly, the Taedonggang beer house of the Kyonghung Restaurant is most crowded with customers.

According to Kwon Hwa Suk, head of the waitress group, customers prefer polished rice beer to others in different colours and tastes and therefore demand for beers Nos. 2 and 3 is the highest.

After their everyday work, people drop in on the house and drink fresh beer in pleasant mood.

Even total strangers become acquaintances as they drink beer at one table and spend a pleasant time telling each other the stories

in their life.

The dedicated restaurant for wedding ceremonies is also well known to citizens.

It has five halls for wedding ceremonies, a souvenir shop and all other conditions for organizing wedding party like photo service.

In the past 30-odd years, lots of young people had wedding ceremonies in the

restaurant.

Passers-by give blessings to brides and bridegrooms going into the wedding halls, which is a distinctive scene on Kyonghung Street.

Meanwhile, the pulgogi house and outdoor stands serving different kinds of foods are also a magnet for people.

Kim Myong Hyon, an old man living in Kyonghung-dong, Pothonggang

District, Pyongyang, said: "In the past over 30 years, service conditions and environment have changed a lot. Kinder services are provided and conditions of service amenities have become better. What remains unchanged is that everything serves the people."

The public catering facilities on Kyonghung Street were built in 1987.



Beer lovers like to visit the Taedonggang beer house of the Kyonghung Restaurant. JO RYONG / THE PYONGYANG TIMES

What they say

I feel as if I'm in a dream

Two months have already passed since I came to Pyongyang with my students as special guests after suffering flood damage.

Time flies so fast. I wonder now and then if there could be any other people in the world who have such a good luck as that we have had.

What pleases me most is the daily changing looks of my students.

In a matter of two months, everyone has become plump and taller and their faces brighter.

They are now at the age of big appetite and are sufficiently supplied with various foods at every meal and even confectionery and fruits.

And every student was provided with a tailored new school uniform, shoes, underwear, etc.

And the educational environment is pretty amazing.

In a word, it can be said that an excellent school in Pyongyang has been removed to the April 25 Hotel, our temporary lodging.

Every morning students go to school singing songs loudly, and every evening they hold a merry dance in the compound of the hotel.

Since they left their parents, they have been



leading a happy life under the scrupulous care of the state that is tenderer and greater than their parents'.

I have been deeply impressed as I see their happy looks as an educator.

The blissful life we are leading here is associated with the loving care of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

He had personally directed the rescue operation on the spot in the disaster-stricken area to save all of us. And still he took several important measures for stabilizing the living of the flood victims, especially for the education of students, and went to the site to inspect a class of primary schoolchildren at work.

Thanks to the loving care of the great father, my students and I are enjoying a dream-like happy life.

Kim Chol, instructor of the Korean Children's Union of Ojok Senior Middle School in Uiju County



Dreams get bigger

I have come to cherish bigger and more dreams in Pyongyang.

As I visited the Sci-Tech Complex, Natural History Museum, Mangyongdae Schoolchildren's Palace, etc. which I had frequently seen on TV, I felt an urge to become a brilliant scientist, musician or sportsman.

Every lesson is interesting and my teacher is pleased with our remarkable progress in school performance.

Many of us have left our parents for the first time.

But everyone is full of

delight. They are busy telling their parents the news about their gratifying life in Pyongyang.

Every evening, my classmates get together to study and recite poems and everyone seems to have become a poet.

Their poems reflect their wish to become a brave fighter pilot, famous scientist, architect and professor, excellent chef and the like.

As we were rescued from disaster and as we feel thrills of excitement in Pyongyang, we have seen many people and things and in the course of that we have harboured big ambitions.

My teacher said that our native village would be turned into a wonderful "rural town" before long.

I will study hard to fulfil my dream in my village.

An Yu Jin, student of Ojok Senior Middle School in Uiju County

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The trigger for defending sovereignty and security will be pulled without hesitation

Crucial Statement of DPRK Foreign Ministry

KCNA

The Foreign Ministry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on October 11 issued the following crucial statement "The trigger for defending sovereignty and security will be pulled without hesitation":

The ROK is crossing the red line in its provocation against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The most hostile and malicious rogue state, the ROK committed such a grave political and military provocation as infiltrating drones into Pyongyang, the capital city of the DPRK.

Drone infiltrations were conducted by the ROK on October 3 and 9. They were followed by perpetration of such a hideous crime as scattering a huge number of anti-DPRK smear leaflets over Central District of Pyongyang through a midnight drone infiltration on October 10.

Smear leaflets, run through with inflammatory rumours and rubbish tarnishing the national sovereignty and dignity of the DPRK and malignantly hurting its socialist system, were scattered in the

central part of the capital city.

Not content with scattering leaflets along the border by balloons, the ROK infiltrated even into the sky of the DPRK's capital such drones which can be regarded as military attack means. The case is a serious provocation that can neither be overlooked nor be pardoned.

Its provocation beyond the limit line constitutes an open infringement on the sacred national sovereignty and security of the DPRK and a wanton violation of international law and a grave military attack, for which the ROK must pay a dear price.

The ROK should neither try to justify the recent case in a trite way nor think of shirking its responsibility by making far-fetched assertions again.

The case is a typical instance that vividly betrays the national position of the ROK belonging to the most shameless, childish and vulgar category in the world and meanness of its clans.

It also evidently shows that the danger of armed conflict is created on the Korean peninsula due to the reckless and adventurist acts of the ROK.

The international community should strongly denounce the bravado of the ROK, which is steadily escalating the danger of military conflict in the region while unhesitatingly committing provocations whose aftermath can hardly be dealt with by it, and unanimously call for thoroughly deterring them.

International law does not allow "harmless flight", as well as free flight, of foreign aircraft or flying objects in the airspace of a country.

The recent intrusion into the DPRK airspace is a grave crime encroaching upon its sovereignty and an obvious target of the exercise of the right to self-defence.

The ROK chose self-destruction and is hastening its doom.

In the world, there is no country which will not react to the violation of its airspace and the drones of a hostile country flying over its capital.

We regard the recent provocation of the ROK as a serious political and military provocation that deserves retaliation according to the right to self-defence, without any further explanation and

necessity.

The recent adventurous provocation by the enemies urgently requires our army to promptly judge what kind of action measure should be taken to discharge its sovereignty-defending mission granted by the DPRK Constitution and make a decision on launching the relevant retaliatory action.

The Ministry of National Defence, the General Staff and the army units at all levels of the DPRK set about the preparations to cope with different occasions of the developing situation.

First, all the offensive means of the DPRK, to be involved in getting the military structures near the southern border and in the ROK collapsed, will get ready to carry out their activities promptly at any moment.

The stand expressed by our head of state some days ago that the DPRK has no intention to attack the ROK does not mean that we are not ready to attack the ROK.

With the possibility of using all means of attack in readiness, we seriously warn the ROK as an ultimatum again for the last time.

The ROK should immediately

stop such irresponsible and dangerous acts of provocation that may cause an armed conflict and lead to a war between the two sides.

If the ROK commits such a provocation as infiltrating a drone into airspace of the DPRK once again, the DPRK will launch an action immediately without any warning.

Taking this opportunity, we make it clear once again that the source and cause of all these disasters making the world people uneasy are in the ROK which scattered political agitation scum into our inviolable territory in the past despite our repeated warnings.

The ROK, which wantonly violated the inviolable sovereignty of the DPRK, will face a horrible situation if it continues provocations, not bearing in mind this last warning of the DPRK.

The trigger safety device is now off.

The time for our attack is not decided by us.

We will watch everything in full preparedness.

Criminals should no longer gamble with the lives of their people.



An enemy drone flying over the office building of the headquarters of the WPK Central Committee.



An enemy drone scattering leaflets in the sky above the area of the office buildings of the WPK Central Committee.



Leaflets and boxes of leaflets dropped from the enemy drone.

NATO should be thrown into dump of history, says spokesman for DPRK Foreign Ministry

KCNA

NATO in its recent statement let loose a string of extremely unreasonable remarks that it condemns all countries fostering and extending the Ukrainian war while groundlessly slandering the independent cooperative relations between sovereign states including the DPRK.

In this regard, a spokesman for the Foreign Ministry of the Democratic

People's Republic of Korea issued the following statement titled "NATO, a freak brought up by US extreme double logic and double standards, should be thrown into dump of history as soon as possible" on October 6:

The publication of the statement timed to coincide with the visit by the new NATO secretary general to Ukraine clearly shows that NATO is going to appear on the first-line trench of the anti-DPRK

confrontation front, not content with extremely taking advantage of its boss's policy of hostility toward the DPRK.

Far from seriously repenting of its mistake in creating the Ukrainian incident, NATO, the very one which exposed the security environment in the European region to the grave crisis called outbreak of a nuclear war, is going to shift the blame for it onto others and justify its policy of aggression. This is just the same as

the shameless act of the US engrossed in extreme double standards and illogical way of thinking.

NATO has been spending an astronomical amount of military expenses on the offer of lethal equipment to Ukraine and openly inciting it to attacks on the Russian territory. However it is taking up a gangster-like logic that their war acts are an effort for "preventing" war and the establishment of normal relations between sovereign states

is an act of fostering and extending war, which is just like a guilty party filing the suit first and a bad habit disseminated by the US.

If it continues to try hard to infringe upon the dignity, sovereignty, security and interests of the DPRK while persistently pursuing a policy of hostility toward it, NATO blindly following the US will be held wholly responsible for the tragic consequences to be entailed by it.

