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Dear friends,

The E-seminar "**Kim Il Sung** – The Peerless Great Man", which started on 19th June 2022 under the joint auspices of the African Regional Committee and Arab Regional Committee for Friendship and Solidarity with the Korean People on the occasion of the 28th anniversary of demise of the great President **Kim Il Sung**, is closing today after successfully attaining its purpose.

First of all, I would like to pay highest tribute to the great President **Kim Il Sung**, a master of independent politics and outstanding hero who left an indestructible trace in the history of world politics by glorifying the 20th century with unprecedented miracles.

At the same time, I would like to express my gratitude to Dr. Yahia Zakaria Khairallah, Chairman of the Arab Regional Committee for Friendship and Solidarity with the Korean People, and many other good friends who took time to join this e-seminar, for your disinterested efforts rendered towards the successful performance of the meeting and its proceeding.

Although many politicians and great minds are recorded in the history of world politics, the world has never known a man like President **Kim Il Sung** who enjoyed the boundless respect and trust, and ardent admiration century after century from numerous people across the five continents, and remembered as an outstanding leader of the cause of human emancipation, the cause of anti-imperialism and independence, and the world revolutionary movement.

The international events organized by the Organizing Committee of the International Festival in Praise of the Great Persons of Mt. Paektu (OCIFPGPP) from January this year till April vividly show the feelings of the admiration of the world's progressives toward President **Kim Il Sung**, the peerless great man and that the feelings get more fervent as time passes, and his exploits are ever shining from year to year.

The most brilliant achievement out of the immortal contributions accumulated by President **Kim Il Sung** for the Korean and world revolution is that he crafted the Juche idea, which is the guiding principle that illuminated the way ahead for humanity in the era of independence.

In general, what comes first when people judge the exploits of a great person is how much he/she contributed to the development of the world and that of the society; the most important of these is the ideological and theoretical achievement which lights up the course of molding and developing the destiny of humanity. In this respect, the Juche idea - an idea which showed the truth that the popular

masses are masters of the revolution; that they are the motivational force of the revolution; and that man is the master of all and decides all. These principles are the most brilliant, well-founded and universal ideology. The idea has attained the acme of the history of the ideology of humankind.

Juche idea, which scientifically delineates the position and role of man in the existence of the world and its transformation and development, and the way ahead of popular masses to pioneer the cause of independence, serves as the unchanged guiding idea for the cause of global independence as it arouses sympathy from the progressive humankind for its profound philosophical theory and scientific accuracy.

The creation and application of Juche idea opened up the era of independence, the era of Juche, when the working people, who had been pushed out of history and subjected to exploitation and oppression in the past, emerged as masters of history, and brought about a radical turn in the destiny and development of the Korean people and the world's progressive peoples.

The Korean people won a historic victory in defeating the U.S. and Japanese imperialists in one generation by relying on the great Juche idea and wiped out the backward colonial remnants and the ruins of war and built a powerful country independent in politics, self-supporting in economy and self-reliant in defence, in a very short span of time, thus clearly demonstrating to the world the truth, scientific accuracy, validity and vitality of Juche idea.

The world progressives have also promoted the development of their countries and nations with the principle of independence in politics, self-sufficiency in the economy and self-reliance in national defence, clarified by the Juche idea as their steadfast guidelines. These opened up a strong trend of global independence of historical perspective.

President **Kim Il Sung** was an outstanding statesman in the world who led the cause of independence of humankind in his entire life, holding high the banner of independence and anti-imperialism. His life was, of truth, one of a most revered internationalist.

He firmly held fast to the helm of independence in the face of the changing upheavals, and frustrated the domination and maneuvers of the imperialist reactionaries, making immortal contributions to the development of the world socialist movement; the victory of the cause of independence against imperialism; the establishment of independent and fair international relations; and the world peace and security.

We still remember the fact that the President rendered sincere assistance to the struggles of many countries for independence and the building of a new society.

With immense magnanimity and noble international obligation, he gave them valuable experience and gave them important instructions when the peoples of different countries were fighting against imperialism and colonialism for independence. He also gave them material and moral assistance to them if they asked for it.

Whenever African countries asked for expertise, he sent talents and experts. When they asked for help in the constructions of factories and farms, he sent the required funds and materials unsparingly. The material and moral support covered a wide range of fields of education, health care, sport and so on, as well as the economic sector, and its quantity is enormous.

His sincere assistance to African countries was not because Korea is rich or affluent but it was from the noble intentions and desire of President **Kim Il Sung** to build a new world where every country and nation is free, equal and happy by ensuring that African countries, who had experienced more of the sufferings and sorrow of colonial slavery in the past, are helped to achieve complete political and economic independence; and to stand and walk on their own feet.

The units named after the President in various parts of Africa, like **Kim Il Sung** Agricultural Scientific Research Institute, exemplify the noble efforts and benefits of the President, who made efforts to encourage the independent development of African countries, which in the past had been labelled the dark continent.

The internationalist obligation of the President is also associated with the struggle of the peoples of Egypt, Syria, Algeria and other Arab countries to oppose Zionism and achieve territorial integrity.

President **Kim Il Sung** was a peerless man who moved the world with his noble human love and virtue. That is why the Korean people trusted, followed and praised him as the father and the leader who liberated the country, provided them with genuine freedom and happiness and showed boundless love and benevolence.

His warm love for human beings and his boundless magnanimity were not only for the Korean people but also for all peoples in the world, transcending nations, nationalities, religious belief and political ideologies.

The world people absolutely sympathized with the Juche idea founded by President **Kim Il Sung**. He was highly praised as the sun of Juche, the sun of mankind, being deeply fascinated by his broad magnanimity, benevolence and noble internationalist obligation. Even the heads of hostile countries could not help but pay respects with humble bow to his personality and exploits.

Indeed, President **Kim Il Sung** is the genius of ideology and theory who founded the guiding idea in the era of independence, the peerlessly great man who attracted all people with warm human love and noble virtue and the peerlessly great sage recognized by the international society.

The noble personality of President **Kim Il Sung** as a great man will shine forever in the hearts of progressive people even though century may change.

The idea and cause of President **Kim Il Sung** were successfully carried forward by Leader **Kim Jong Il**.

Leader **Kim Jong Il** is a prominent ideological theoretician who, with his outstanding wisdom, extraordinary insight, tireless passion and noble mission of the revolutionary cause, has further

glorified the Juche idea as the great guiding idea in the era of independence.

On the basis of his deep insight into the requirements of the times and the developing revolution, he further developed and enriched the Juche idea founded by President **Kim Il Sung** with new principles and contents, thus making it shine as the guiding idea of all times.

When the anti-socialist frenzy swept the world and the tragic situation in which socialism collapsed in different countries was prevailing, he led the DPRK to frustrate the vicious challenges and obstructive moves of the imperialists and make a dynamic advance as the fortress of independence and the banner of socialism.

Leader **Kim Jong Il** achieved brilliant successes and development in the socialist construction of the Korean style with his super-intense devotion and efforts, baffling human imagination and made a really important contribution to ensuring peace and security on the Korean peninsula and in the rest of the world through his energetic external activities.

Although President **Kim Il Sung** and Leader **Kim Jong Il** passed away, their ideas and cause are being faithfully carried forward by HE **Kim Jong Un**, another great man. Under his guidance, the dignity, status and national power of the DPRK have now reached the highest level as ever before.

Under the outstanding ideological and theoretical wisdom, strong will and wise leadership of HE **Kim Jong Un**, the Korean people are dynamically advancing along the road of self-reliance and self-development and prosperity chosen by themselves, resolutely containing the heinous moves of hostile forces to check the advancement and development of Korea and stamp out its right to existence.

HE **Kim Jong Un** remarkably raised the strategic position and influence of the DPRK and changed the international political structure with his skillful diplomatic strategy, energetic external activities and bold pluck.

Only victory and glory are in store for the Korean people advancing confidently towards the bright future under the leadership of HE **Kim Jong Un**.

We will conduct activities more dynamically to praise the great persons of the DPRK who made immortal contributions to accomplishing the cause of global independence and support and encourage the Korean people in their just cause.

Thank you.

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