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Kim Jong Un Meets Song Tao

Pyongyang, April 15 (KCNA) -- **Kim Jong Un**, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on Saturday met with Song Tao, head of the International Liaison Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China who is on a visit to the DPRK leading the Chinese art troupe.

He warmly welcomed Song Tao and his party visiting the DPRK with a prestigious large-scale art troupe and had a cordial talk with them.

At the meeting Song Tao conveyed the warm greetings of General Secretary Xi Jinping to Chairman **Kim Jong Un**.

Kim Jong Un expressed thanks for this and extended his greetings to Xi Jinping and other Chinese party and government leaders. Then, he said with deep emotion that the Chinese comrades accorded cordial hospitality to him with utmost sincerity in token of warm comradeship and friendship during his recent unforgettable visit to China.

Song Tao gave his impressions of DPRK visit, saying that they have personally experienced and been specially and deeply impressed by the warm feelings and

intense and special hospitality of the Korean party and government to the Chinese art troupe from the first moment of its arrival.

He expressed his heartfelt thanks to **Kim Jong Un** and to the WPK and the DPRK government and the Korean people.

Kim Jong Un said that it is due obligation and behavior of the host and close friend for him to personally undertake the reception of the art troupe and give special treatment to it as the art troupe was personally selected and dispatched by Xi Jinping with special attention. All the relevant fields of the Korean party and government would provide all conditions for the Chinese art troupe at the highest level and on a top-priority basis during its stay, he added.

He wished the Chinese art troupe good success in its performances during its visit to Pyongyang and hoped that the peoples of the two countries would further deepen their understanding of each other and a new era of the DPRK-China art exchange be made with this visit as a momentum.

Exchanged in earnest at the meeting were profound views on the important matters of mutual concern of the WPK and the CPC and the international situation.

Expressing satisfaction over the recent development of the relations between the two parties and countries, the Supreme Leader said that he would positively carry forward and develop the traditional DPRK-China friendship into a fresh phase of development as required by a new era by further strengthening the bilateral relations between the two parties including exchange of high-level delegations and undertaking the brisk cooperation and visits in various fields and sectors.

Noting it is the unshakable policy of the Chinese party and government to creditably preserve, consolidate and develop the China-DPRK relations, Song Tao said that they would make a fresh contribution to promoting the prolonged and stable development of the China-DPRK relations, providing the two countries and their peoples with happiness and ensuring peace and stability on the peninsula.

Kim Jong Un Gives Grand Banquet for Chinese Art Troupe

Pyongyang, April 15 (KCNA) -- **Kim Jong Un**, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, gave a grand banquet Saturday evening in welcome of the DPRK visit by the Chinese art troupe headed by Song Tao, head of the International Liaison Department of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China.

Present there were Choe Ryong Hae, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK, vice-chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and vice-chairman of the C.C., WPK, Ri Su Yong and Kim Yong Chol, members of the Political Bureau and vice-chairmen of the C.C., WPK, Kim Yo Jong, alternate member of the Political Bureau and first vice department director of the C.C., WPK, Jo Yong Won, Kwon Hyok Bong, Kim Pyong Ho, Hong Kwang Sun, Kim Song Nam, Ri Chang Gun and Ryu Myong Son,

vice department directors of the C.C., WPK, Pak Chun Nam, minister of Culture, and other officials of the C.C., WPK and those concerned.

Present there on invitation were Song Tao, head of the International Liaison Department of the C.C., CPC, all the members of the Chinese art troupe, Li Jinjun, Chinese ambassador to the DPRK, and officials of the Chinese embassy here.

When the respected Supreme Leader **Kim Jong Un** and his wife Ri Sol Ju appeared at the banquet hall together with Song Tao and other Chinese guests, all the participants enthusiastically welcomed them with loud applause.

Kim Jong Un warmly welcomed the Chinese art troupe's visit to the DPRK.

First, a performance was given by the Korean artistes including those of the Samjiyon Orchestra in welcome of the Chinese art troupe at the banquet.

Then, toasts were made by Choe Ryong Hae and Song Tao.

The speakers expressed the steadfast will of the two parties and two peoples to more beautifully decorate the flower garden of the DPRK-China friendship and fully demonstrate the invincible friendship and unity at home and abroad and further develop them, which have been brought by the supreme leaders of the two parties and two countries.

The banquet proceeded in a friendly and amicable atmosphere.

First Lady of DPRK Enjoys Performance of Chinese Art Troupe

Pyongyang, April 15 (KCNA) -- The Chinese art troupe gave its premiere for the 31st April Spring Friendship Art Festival at the Mansudae Art Theatre on Saturday.

First Lady Ri Sol Ju enjoyed a ballet choreodrama "Giselle" given by the National Ballet of China, together with Choe Ryong Hae, Ri Su Yong, Kim Yong Chol, Kim Yo Jong, Pak Chun Nam and other senior party and government officials.

When the First Lady arrived at the theatre, she was warmly greeted by Song Tao, head of the International Liaison Department of the C.C., Communist Party of China, Li Qun, vice-minister of Culture and Tourism of China, and Li Jinjun, Chinese ambassador to the DPRK.

She warmly welcomed the Chinese art troupe's visit to the DPRK and had a friendly talk with the guests in an amicable atmosphere before watching the performance.

The National Ballet of China wonderfully represented "Giselle" with high artistry, touching the heartstrings of the audience.

At the end of the performance, spectators mounted the stage to present bouquets to the performers, raising loud applause.

Ri Sol Ju, together with senior party and government officials, congratulated the performers on their successful performance and extended warm greetings to them.