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Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un Visits Wonsan Shoes Factory

Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and supreme commander of the Korean People's Army, inspected the Wonsan Shoes Factory.

Supreme Leader **Kim Jong Un** said that he was so pleased to hear the report that the Wonsan Shoes Factory won the first place at a recent national shoes exhibition and that "Maebongsan"-brand shoes presented by the factory were very popular among the public. He added that a small local factory has become a shoes factory well known all over the country, an iconic shoes factory leading the shoe-making industry of the country.

He looked round a room for education in revolutionary history and a room dedicated to the history of the factory and a sample display room newly arranged by the factory.

Carefully looking at the historical relics displayed at the room for education in the revolutionary history, **Kim Jong Un** said that once old and shabby factory has undergone a complete change, noting that the factory, which Chairman **Kim Jong Il** had visited during the last period of his life and so much worried about, has now become a model and standard shoes factory of the country.

He underlined the need to make the visit to the room for education in revolutionary history regular part of one's life to make sure that all the employees turn out in implementing the Party policy and bring into a reality the lifetime desire of **Kim Jong Il** with high production results, cherishing deep in their minds the history of the factory associated with the footprints of patriotic devotion left by **Kim Jong Il** and his leadership exploits.

Touring the uppers-making shop, shoemaking shop and other production shops of the factory, he learned in detail about the implementation of the Party policy.

Praising a young needle worker who just graduated from a school for successfully handling an auto-sewing machine operated by a control program at the uppers-making shop, he called for giving full play to creative wisdom of technicians and skilled workers and widely introducing computerization into the needlework.

After familiarizing himself with the progress made so far in the research work for automating the shoe sole pasting process, he set forth tasks for perfecting the automation of all shoe-making processes.

He stressed that in order to meet the daily increasing people's demand, it is necessary to keep pushing ahead with the work of ensuring world-level quality with an emphasis put on ensuring diverse patterns, decent colors and lightness and durability while meeting the aesthetic tastes of our people.

A prerequisite to improving the quality of shoes lies in good designs, he repeatedly stressed, calling for deeply studying and actively introducing the world trend of the development of the shoes industry and shoe engineering and thus putting primary efforts on creating various new shoes designs favored by the people.

Praising the factory for collecting feedback from the public after placing "feedback books" at outlets and introducing them into production, he said that the factory should lend an ear to the public comment, deeply consider what kinds of shoes people of different ages and jobs like in different seasons and thus produce more shoes favored and demanded by all men and women, young and old.

He had a photo session with the employees of the factory at its shops.

He was accompanied by Hwang Pyong So, first vice department director of the WPK Central Committee; Jo Yong Won, vice department director of the WPK Central Committee; and Kim Chang Son and Ma Won Chun, officials of the State Affairs Commission.