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Press Statement by Spokesperson for Korea- Europe Association

On July 20, a spokesperson for the EU picked on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), condemning its recognition of the independence of the People's Republic of Donetsk and the People's Republic of Lugansk as a "violation of international law" and "hostile act towards sovereignty and territorial integrity".

We have recently recognized the independence of the People's Republic of Donetsk and the People's Republic of Lugansk. As this decision is within the legitimate rights of a sovereign state, it does not stand to reason at all that EU is making nonsensical comment about it.

EU takes its view that the international law is respected if it suits its geopolitical interests and political strategic purpose. If not, it becomes a breach of it. This is clearly a double standard and a sophism, which can convince nobody.

The EU is not in a position to talk loudly about so-called violation of sovereignty and hostile act, given that it has followed the U.S. in its illegal and inhumane hostile policy towards the DPRK.

The EU should learn first how to approach the issue in an impartial manner in strict compliance with the UN Charter and international law stipulating the principles of respect for sovereignty, sovereign equality and non-interference in internal affairs, rather than poking its nose into the others' business by criticizing their exercise of sovereignty.

Chinese Foreign Minister Lambasts U.S. Over Taiwan Issue

Recently Wang Yi, State Councilor and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China, on his visit to Indonesia to participate in G20 foreign ministerial meeting gave an answer to a question raised by a journalist over the Taiwan issue at ASEAN Secretariat. Here, he warned if the principle of "One China" faces challenges, the Taiwan strait may as well expect dark clouds and strong storm.

He pointed out that the root cause of tension in the Taiwan Strait is attributed to the authority of the Democratic Progressive Party which has abandoned "joint recognition of 92 " embodying the principle of "One China", undermined the main foundation for peaceful development of the cross-strait relations and also strayed into the wrong path of "seeking independence with Western backing". It is also attributable, he said, to the U.S. that is constantly distorting the policy of "One China" while trying to hamper the development of China with "Taiwan Card".

He further stressed that the Taiwan issue is the most important one among the core interests of China and no one, no force or no country should dream about separating Taiwan from China.

He continued as follows: The principle of "One China" is the main principle of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and other countries, and it is also one part of international order established after WWII; hence, China objects to the U.S. acts of applying double standard to Taiwan issue and the repeated breaking of its promises; and the sovereignty and territorial integrity of China should be respected and safeguarded.

It is the common recognition of the international society that Taiwan is an inseparable part of the Chinese territory.

But despite its nominal adherence to the principle of one China, the U.S., in fact, is escalating its acts of encouraging the "independence of Taiwan".

Crystal clear is the intention of the U.S. which justifies support for the separatist forces of Taiwan, openly provides military aid to Taiwan and persistently interferes in the Taiwan issue.

As the Chinese Foreign Minister pointed out, the real intention of the U.S. is to steadily weaken China and hinder its development by continuously using Taiwan as a chess piece to contain China.

The reality proves that the impudent interference, division scheme and open double standard of the U.S. are the hot bed leading to destruction of regional peace and stability as well as constant tension and confrontation.

