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Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un Observes Demonstration Fire of Tactical Guided Weapon

Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK), chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) and supreme commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, Saturday observed the demonstration fire of tactical guided weapon.

The fire was also watched by Ri Pyong Chol, vice-chairman of the WPK Central Committee, and Jo Yong Won, Kim Yo Jong, Hong Yong Song, Kim Jong Sik, Hyon Song Wol and other cadres of the WPK Central Committee, Army General Pak Jong Chon, chief of the General Staff of the Korean People's Army, and corps commanders of the KPA.

Supreme Leader of the Party, state and armed forces **Kim Jong Un** was greeted on the spot by leading officials in the field of national defence science researches, including Jang Chang Ha and Jon Il Ho.

The fire was aimed at reconfirming and showing to the KPA commanding officers the tactical characters and power of a new weapon system to be delivered to KPA units.

After **Kim Jong Un** gave an order to fire, the Juche shells were fired with roaring sound and dazzling flare to precisely hit a target islet.

The fire clearly proved the characters of different flight trajectories and falling angles, accuracy of guided shells and their power.

Recalling with deep emotion the devotion and efforts made by the Supreme Leader for the development of our-style powerful tactical guided weapon, all the observers including KPA commanding officers kept deep in mind the pride at the tremendous Juche-oriented national defence science and self-supporting defence industry of our state.

The Supreme Leader said the successive birth of the new weapon systems of our style serves as a great event in making development and a difference in the armed forces of our state. It is a brilliant success brought about by the Party's correct line on developing the self-supporting national defense industry and its policy of attaching importance to the national defence science and a clear demonstration of the might of our national defence science and industry, he added.

The Supreme Leader said that the new-type weapon systems which we have recently developed and the tactical and strategic weapon systems in the development stage will make decisive contributions to the realization of the Party's strategic plan to make a radical change in the national defence strategy. He added we must further build up the striking capability which can wipe out any enemy out of our territory if it dare design to launch a military action against our state and this is just the aim of building up our defence capability set by the Party, the most perfect strategy for national defence and most trustworthy war deterrent.

The Supreme Leader gave important instructions on the tasks for every field of science researches for national defence and on the new direction to be taken by the munitions industry in implementing the Party's line on developing the self-supporting national defense industry.

Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un Guides Artillery Fire Competition between Large Combined Units of KPA on Western Front

Amid the high military morale running through the entire army all out for getting fully combat ready along with firm conviction in sure victory under the extraordinary commanding art and militant encouragement by Supreme Leader **Kim Jong Un**, the sound of another artillery has rocked heaven and earth, as part of the efforts to carry on the revolution in training.

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 armed forces of the DPRK, on Friday guided an artillery fire competition between large combined units of the Korean People's Army (KPA) on the western front.

Supreme Leader of the Party, state and armed forces **Kim Jong Un** was greeted at the competition ground by Army General Kim Su Gil, director of the General Political Bureau of the KPA, Army General Pak Jong Chon, chief of the General Staff of the KPA, commanding officers of the large combined units on the western front and other KPA commanding officers.

The competition was aimed at making an inspection and evaluation of the artillery forces on the western front without notice to see how they are implementing the Party's policy on building up the artillery force and take measures, at awakening all the units and fundamentally improving all the forms, programs and methods of artillery drills and also at definitely turning ordinary drills into practicable ones for an actual war.

Taking part in the competition were the artillery units under the 3rd, 4th and 8th corps of the KPA.

In the competition, after the assessment of the state of the advancing maneuvers of every artillery unit to the fire line, the firing sequence was set by drawing lots to fire guns of different calibers at the target islet. The total standings were decided by aggregating the firing results and the time taken to complete mission.

The officers and men of the large combined units who participated in the competition were greatly excited to have their combat readiness inspected in the presence of **Kim Jong Un** who visited the seaside position as part of his ceaseless guidance for strengthening the combat capability of the KPA.

At the observation post, the Supreme Leader received a report from the chief of the General Staff on the sequence and method of the competition before guiding it.

On his order, the corps commanders directly commanded the firing of artillery pieces at the observation post.

As the corps commanders gave orders to fire, all the artillery pieces opened fire, showering a hail of shells on the islet.

In the competition the artillery units on the western front showed amazing results with marksmanship which they trained in their ordinary drills and fully displayed their combat capabilities fully ready to go into action.

The Supreme Leader expressed satisfaction, saying that the firing skill of the artillerymen on the western front, those under the 3rd Corps in particular, was remarkably great. And he spoke highly of them, noting that it was just like hitting the target with sniper rifle.

The Supreme Leader received a report on the General Staff's evaluation of the competition results from the chief of the General Staff.

The 3rd Corps won an overwhelming victory over others taking the first place, while the 8th Corps took the second and the 4th Corps the third.

Greatly satisfied with the combat readiness of the 3rd Corps, the Supreme Leader left his congratulatory autograph "I admire amazing combat capability of the battalion. I am so satisfied and give special thanks to it. **Kim Jong Un**. March 20, 2020" on the master gunner certificate to be awarded to an artillery battalion under the 3rd Corps which showed remarkable marksmanship and eye-opening results in the competition.

Army General Pak Jong Chon, chief of the KPA General Staff, awarded master gunner certificates, medals and badges to artillery battalions and companies which proved successful in the competition.

The Supreme Leader gave important instructions on the direction of the military and political work, including the issue of intensifying the drills of all the KPA units, as required by the prevailing situation.

The competition held under the direct guidance of the iron-willed commander **Kim Jong Un**, who is opening a great heyday of the development of the revolutionary armed forces with his extraordinary commanding art and far-sighted acumen, will serve as a historic one as it provided the turning point of another great leap forward in developing the Juche-based artillery force.