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KCNA Commentary Warns Japan against Revanchism and Wild Ambition for Reinvasion

Pyongyang, August 18 (KCNA) -- Japanese Prime Minister Kishida offered a tribute to the Yasukuni Shrine on the day of Japan's defeat in the Second World War, and members of the new Cabinet including the minister of Economy, Trade and Industry and persons concerned of the Liberal Democratic Party paid a group visit to the shrine where remains of top class war criminals are interred.

They praised the criminals, who ignited a war of aggression in the past and slaughtered lots of Korean people and other Asians, as "those who devoted their lives to national policy" and expressed "gratitude" and "condolences" to them.

It is the open praise for militarist departed soul and a dangerous behavior inciting revanchism and wild ambition for reinvasion.

Japan, the war criminal state and the defeated country in the Second World War, should practice self-control on the day of its disgraceful defeat as never before.

It is obliged to reflect deeply upon its past history of aggression and make a sincere apology and reparation for the crimes committed by it against humankind.

However, the Japanese reactionaries who have ground their teeth with grudge of the defeat of their country generation after generation competitively have vied with each other in visiting the Yasukuni Shrine on the day of the defeat and pledged revenge, calling back the departed soul of the top war criminals.

This is an intolerable criminal act of rubbing salt into the wounds of the Korean people and other Asians who suffered indescribable misfortune and pain under the fascist colonial rule of the Japanese imperialists in the past

century and the downright challenge to the humankind's demand for Japan's past liquidation.

The Japanese reactionaries' persistent visit to the Yasukuni Shrine, the spiritual tool and symbol of Japanese militarism, is aimed to provide a favorable condition for reinvasion by turning the Japanese society into the extremely reactionary one and taming the Japanese people to be thorough militarists.

Militarism in Japan is not a mere specter.

Militarism has been infiltrated into all fields of social life including politics, economy, military and culture by the ultra-right politicians, making all people seized by the enthusiasm for invasion and revenge.

The Japanese reactionaries openly resort to the moves for the revision to the constitution for legalizing the existence of the "Self-Defence Forces" despite the opposition of the international community, the SDF's overseas advance and the dangerous arms build-up including the possession of the "ability to attack enemy bases". This is unthinkable without the Japanese society's lurch to the Right and militarization.

Herein lies the reason why the international community calls into question and incriminates the Japanese politicians' visit to the shrine.

Today, Japan's reinvasion is becoming a reality, not hypothesis.

Now, the international community is closely watching every move of Japan, the dangerous aggressive force in Asia.

Though Japan is hell-bent on its moves for inciting revanchism and wild ambition for reinvasion through the visit to the Yasukuni Shrine, it will meet isolation and ruin only.

Japan should behave with prudence, well aware of the consequences to be entailed by its reckless moves. -0-

Press Statement of Vice Department Director of C.C., WPK Kim Yo Jong

Pyongyang, August 19 (KCNA) -- Kim Yo Jong, vice department director of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK), released the following press statement "Don't have an absurd dream" on August 18:

It would have been more favorable for his image to shut his mouth, rather than talking nonsense as he had nothing better to say.

I am talking about Yoon Suk Yeol's "commemorative speech marking August 15".

In his situation where he is losing the public support, it would have been better if he had never presented himself on that occasion.

I'm only saying this today because the south seems to be very eager to know of our reaction and not because I'm concerned of Yoon's situation, as even a mere child would know.

If he had really wanted to take the platform, I'm curious to know how much effort he had put in to his speech to be unable to say anything that would save his dignity.

This time, Yoon focused on clamoring about "a course of building a free country by fighting against communist forces" and "defending the free world by facing against communist invasion" and inciting confrontation between systems.

Although I'm sorry to say this, dogs will always bark, as a pup or an adult, and the same goes for the one with the title of "president".

The most repulsive point was when he recited absurd words impertinently of proposing us a "bold and broad-based plan" to radically improve the economy and public welfare if we would stop nuclear development and turn towards substantial denuclearization.

With the person who had at one time pretended to be "driver", questioning the public, gone, another who also lives in his own world has appeared to sit upon the throne.

Although he seemed to have gone through a lot of troubles after pretending to have a plan on improving the north-south relations during his "inaugural address" in May and then explaining it to the U.S. and neighboring countries to explain himself and asking for understanding and support for it, the "plan" he had laid down this time is truly absurd.

All the ridiculous remarks uttered by the so-called "president" really make the south look marvelous only.

Is a certain Yoon the only person who could be elected as "president"?

"Bold plan?"

In a word, I can explain why it is absurd.

His "bold plan" is the height of absurdity as it is an impracticable one to create mulberry fields in the dark blue ocean.

He disregarded the other party's attitude towards the plan and the comments which will be made on it by those grasping the situation of the inter-Korean ties. I could not but be stunned by his "bravery" and excessive ignorance

I'd love to give some advices.

The "bold plan" is not a new one, but a replica of "denuclearization, opening and 3 000" raised by traitor Lee Myung Bak 10-odd years ago only to be forsaken as a product of the confrontation with fellow countrymen, far from attracting the attention of world people.

The fact that he copied the policy towards the north, thrown into the dustbin of history, and called it "bold plan" shows that he is really foolish.

I'm not sure that he knows his assumption "if the north took a measure for denuclearization" was a wrong prerequisite.

All the predecessors in the south and even their master the U.S. failed to "make the north abandon nukes", but he uttered pipedream-like remarks, which made him look so miserable as we wondered why he quickly read the text that must be wrongly written, not knowing what it means.

All can not be bartered. To think that the plan to barter "economic cooperation" for our honor, nukes, is the great dream, hope and plan of Yoon, we came to realize that he is really simple and still childish.

He, who came to power, would take two or three years to know well the law of the world and the situation while working hard.

No one barter its destiny for corn cake.

Bitter contempt is what we will only show those spinning a pipedream to succeed in making us abandon our nukes if they pay more stakes.

It would be advisable to mind their own business if they can find time to spare, not talking about the north-south issue.

They would have no time to talk about someone's "economy" and improvement of "people's livelihood" since they may be ousted anytime for their spoiled economy and public welfare.

Those villains seriously encroaching on our security circumstance by continuing to infiltrate dirty wastes into our territory talk about "food supply"

and "medical assistance" to inhabitants in the north. Such deeds will only incite our people's surging hatred and wrath.

A knave who talks about "bold plan" today and stages anti-north war exercises tomorrow is none other than "mastermind" Yoon Suk Yeol.

It is our earnest desire to live without awareness of each other.

Before evaluating the south Korean authorities' "policy toward the north", we don't like Yoon Suk Yeol himself.

Though he may knock at the door with what large plan in the future as his "bold plan" does not work, we make it clear that we will not sit face to face with him.

It would be good for Yoon Suk Yeol to ponder over what serious threat the reckless confrontational remarks his hirelings have made irregularly and ignorantly will bring.

Yoon should not forget our advice even a moment that it would be good never to stand face to face with us.

In addition, we made it clear that the previous day's weapon test was conducted on the "Kumsong Bridge" in Anju City of South Phyongan Province, not the Onchon area the south Korean authorities announced rashly and talkatively.

I am curious to know why those always talking about the pursuit surveillance and full preparedness under the close cooperation between south Korea and U.S. could not indicate the launching time and place properly and why they do not open to the public data on the weapon system.

If the data and flight trajectory are known, the south will be so bewildered and afraid. And it will be a thing worthy of seeing how they will explain about it before their people. -0-

Better Draw Lessons from Predecessors' Fate

Recently, the newly-appointed "special rapporteur" on human rights situation in the DPRK, when making what is called a "statement" after her assumption of the office, let loose certain absurd remarks making issue out of the human rights situation of our country that goes: The human rights situation in north Korea got even worse with the COVID-19 anti-epidemic measures; she expresses concern over the decades-old violation of human rights and so on.

With her recent "statement", she betrayed, despite herself, her ignorance and prejudiced point of view on our country.

We have never even recognized the very existence of the "special rapporteur" on human rights situation in the DPRK, whose origin is the result of political stratagem of the hostile forces scheming to stifle our ideology and system under the pretext of human rights.

Since the creation of this "post" in 2004, the only thing her three successive predecessors had done was to collect conspiratorial data from the human scums of "defectors" who would concoct them at random for the sake of eking out a living, and to take the lead in the human rights confrontation clamour staged under the scenario of the U.S. and other hostile forces to tarnish the image of our Republic.

Looking at the recently-resigned previous "special rapporteur" alone, he had been hell bent on plotting and propaganda, submitting anti-DPRK "human rights" reports to the UNGA and UNHRC every year and moving from one place to another – the United States, Japan, south Korea and the like.

However, what awaited him was the bad name of "old stooge of the West" and stern denunciation and rejection from home and abroad.

Our country offers institutional, legal and practical guarantee of human rights to its people and the working people enjoy independent and happy life to their heart content as genuine masters of society. Slandering such a reality of our dignified state is no more than a sorry act of trying to screen the glaring rays of the sun with a tainted palm.

Our state shoulders the responsibility for human rights of our own people.

The “special rapporteur” who doesn’t even know the ABCs of our country should bear in mind that such indiscretion about her words from the very beginning would only seal her fate as another “puppet” of the U.S. and the West, and invite shame and dishonor upon herself much like her predecessors.

The “special rapporteur” would be well-advised to bid a decided farewell, though belatedly, to the politicization, selectivity and double-standard of human rights and apply herself in earnest to studies to see us squarely.

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Love and Dedication Brought a Great Victory in Anti-Epidemic Work

At the national meeting of reviewing emergency anti-epidemic work held on August 10, in Pyongyang - the capital city of the DPRK – the respected General Secretary of the Workers’ Party of Korea proclaimed to the world the victory in the top-level emergency anti-epidemic war to wipe out novel corona virus within the territory of our Republic and defend life and health of our people.

Our people are now expressing the deepest gratitude to the respected General Secretary who has brought about miraculous anti-epidemic triumph unknown to the world’s healthcare history by means of ardent love and devotion in a short period: 100 days since the inflow of the malignant virus and 91 days since we switched the national anti-epidemic work to a top-level emergency anti-epidemic system.

When everyone was at a loss what to do before the terrifying fact of the inflow of the malignant virus, the respected General Secretary convened 8th meeting of the Political Bureau of the 8th Central Committee of the WPK and other important Party meetings one after another and saw to it that the national anti-epidemic work was switched to the top-level anti-epidemic

system and strong and proactive anti-epidemic policies and measures were taken.

Active anti-epidemic measures were enforced accordingly; every region and unit was locked down across the country, intensive screening and strict examination of the entire population was carried out, state reserve medicines were immediately released and promptly delivered to the disease-affected areas, etc.

In addition to this, many works were conducted on a national scale to wipe out the malignant pandemic from our territory at the earliest time possible and restore anti-epidemic stability. They include stricter measures of medical monitoring, quarantine and treatment for suspect cases, rational application of scientific treatment tactics and methods, works for increasing scientific anti-epidemic awareness of the entire population and wide dissemination of common knowledge about prevention and treatment of the disease.

The respected General Secretary was not satisfied with such a strong and timely national step taken one after another. He did not hesitate to visit pharmacies exposed to the malignant virus to inquire in detail about actual state of medicine supply and also sent his family's reserve medicines to the needy families. This has inspired and encouraged the people across the country.

He also sent the military medics of the Korean People's Army to the emergency anti-epidemic front of the capital city so as to give full display to the might of army-people unity, and led the entire people to tide over the difficulties by dint of the communist virtue and traits of helping and leading each other.

During the days of the top-level emergency anti-epidemic war, he himself was suffering from a high fever. But he could not go to bed even for a single moment as he was sunk in thought about the people he should take responsibility till the end. The number of document he personally guided with regards to the anti-epidemic work was 1,772 of 22,956-page long. Through this fact alone, we can fully understand the world of fervent love and devotion he bestowed on people to protect them from the threat of malignant disease, who were as same as blood and flesh to him.

“If it were not our Marshal...”, this is the confession from the bottom of hearts of our people who saved themselves and their children and restored their health and laughter at the expense of the love and devotion of a great father.

Until today, the people of numerous countries in the world are still living in anxiety and fear as their countries continue to record the increase in the number of infected and mortality case caused by the malignant virus. Along with the malignant virus, all sorts of social evils brought by the prolonged health crisis are also threatening the lives and existence of people every moment.

But our people are experiencing the joy of a new life on this clean land, the only virus-free zone in the world, which has been exchanged with the love and devotion of the respected Comrade General Secretary.

Indeed, the person who brought the great victory in anti-epidemic work is none other than the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un**, and his fervent love and devotion for people was the main source which gave birth to a new miracle, the unheard-of miracle in preventing epidemics in the world.

Home of Love

The rising generations of our country are learning as much as they want, giving full play to their dreams and talents under the warm love of the great motherly Party which seeks to give them all happiness on earth. Their bright and cheerful appearance of today represents the glorious tomorrow of our motherland.

The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** is regarding children as the kings and queens of our country and showing boundless love and affection for them, saying that we must advance and develop our revolution by putting greater efforts for our children in times of difficulty and staunchly advancing towards the future of communism with the power of this love.

His ardent love for the rising generations remained unchanged even in the throes of the recent emergency caused by the inflow of the global pandemic,

which can be likened to the greatest turmoil since the founding of our Republic. Infant milk powder and rice powder provided to all infants across the country and new-style summer school uniforms given to children of primary schools demonstrated once again our Party's noble view on posterity and future.

Thanks to the affection of Comrade **Kim Jong Un**, who wants to give all happiness to the future generations, modern centers of early art education and extracurricular education facilities are being erected all across the country, enabling our children and teenagers to learn to their hearts' content according to their talents and hobbies.

However, if we look around the world, we can easily find pathetic miserable images of children, who are falling victim to all sorts of social evils and withering away even before coming into bud, instead of growing in happiness under the warm care of society and family.

According to the UN report in July, the number of crimes against the children in conflict-stricken regions totaled about 23,980 and more than 19,000 children are affected, 8,000 of which are allegedly dead or maimed. Prior to this, UNICEF has also announced shocking data that the number of child refugees generated by armed conflict and natural disaster in last year reaches more than 36.5 million, the highest record since the WWII.

What sharpens the problem is the fact that the children who had been subjected to human trafficking, forced labor, violence and maltreatment in conflict-stricken and damaged areas are likely to grow into criminals who breed all sorts of social evils, out of the antipathy towards and revenge for society.

When numerous children are falling victims to all sorts of social evils due to armed conflict and natural disaster in many parts of the world, children of our country are giving full play to their dreams and hopes as the masters of the future Korea.

That's why the foreigners who had ever visited the centers of early art education and extra-curricular education facilities in our country expressed their admiration as follows;

The country which values children as treasures and attaches importance to the education for the rising generation can walk along the path of

continuous development, the DPRK reality proves this, and the DPRK's brilliant education policy for the coming generation would promise a bright future for the country.

Thanks to the tireless devotion of

the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** who dedicates himself to the happiness and happy smile of our children, all children on this land will bring their hopes and talents into full blossom, without anything to envy in the world.

