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Japan Slashed for Its Hostility toward DPRK

Pyongyang, April 14 (KCNA) -- The policy section chief of the Institute for Japan Studies of the DPRK Foreign Ministry gave the following answer to a question raised by KCNA on Friday as regards the fact that Japan in its recent "2023 Diplomatic Blue Book" groundlessly pulled up the DPRK over its measures for bolstering up the self-defensive military capabilities and called for "solution of the abduction issue":

Japan made public the "2023 Diplomatic Blue Book" on April 11, revealing once again its sinister intention full of undisguised hostile stand against the DPRK, fraud and deception.

The Japanese Foreign Ministry in its diplomatic blue book called for "implementing the UNSC resolution" and again raised the abduction issue which had already been settled, terming the DPRK's measures for bolstering up the military capabilities for self-defence a "challenge to the international community" and a "threat to peace and security". This clearly proves that Japan's wrong view, inveterate repugnancy and hostility toward the DPRK have not changed at all.

Japan, which seeks to realize its dangerous "ambition for becoming a military giant" while zealously following the reckless military threatening moves of the U.S. and the south Korean puppet forces, is spouting a litany of rhetoric about the DPRK's war deterrence for self-defence. It is a challenge to the sovereignty of the DPRK and interference in its internal affairs.

It is quite natural that Japan's diplomatic blue book has been censured and rejected by neighboring countries and the international community as it is a conspiratorial document seeking such sinister political purpose.

Japan openly revealed its hostility toward the DPRK while impertinently talking about the dismantlement of its nukes and missiles and persistently raising the already-settled abduction issue, thus making clearer the stand of confrontation with the DPRK.

Japan, which inflicted indelible misfortune and sufferings upon the Korean people in the last century, has not yet honestly redeemed its crimes. It had better ponder over whether it is beneficial to Japan's interests to persistently resort to hostile acts against the DPRK, zealously pursuant to the U.S. -0-

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