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Fifth National Meeting of Mothers Opens

Pyongyang, December 4 (KCNA) -- The proud history and traditions created by the mothers of the DPRK along with the valuable feats of tens of millions of sons and daughters guide the rising generations to communism, build up the tremendous strength of the DPRK resplendent with victory and glory and provide steady continuity to the revolutionary cause of Juche.

Under the care of the Workers' Party of Korea that always remembers the exploits of the mothers who glorify the good family and national customs of socialist Korea with their warm maternal affection and boundless devotion and puts up them on the peak of blessing and respect, the Fifth National Meeting of Mothers was opened with splendor in Pyongyang, the capital city of the DPRK on Dec. 3.

The meeting was attended by the mothers who contributed to beefing up the national power and making the large socialist family prosperous by successfully bringing up their children as reliable pillars of the country,

heroines who gave birth to many children, mothers who take care of orphans and women's union officials of Pyongyang and local areas.

The meeting will introduce the positive examples displayed among mothers for the past ten years after the Fourth National Meeting of Mothers and discuss the tasks and ways for making sure that our mothers fulfill their responsibility and role assumed before society and family.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, appeared on the platform of the meeting.

The moment, all the participants raised stormy cheers of "Hurrah!" for a long time with the greatest reverence, looking up in tears to the great father who puts forward them as genuine heroines giving a boost to the era of a dignified powerful country and as pride of the Party and the state while glorifying the humble and ordinary life of mothers as the most sacred and noble call of a communist mother.

The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** expressed warm respects to the mothers of the whole country who regard all pains for the coming generations as pleasure and add gigantic power and boundless vitality to the Korean revolution with deep loving care and affection while linking the destiny of family with the one of the country in weal and woe.

Taking the platform were Kim Tok Hun, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, vice-president of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and premier of the Cabinet, Ri Il Hwan, Kim Jae Ryong and Pak Thae Song, members of the Political Bureau and secretaries of the WPK Central Committee, and other cadres of the Party and the military, heroines who gave birth to many children, officials of working people's organizations and relevant sectors and mothers who rendered distinguished services in training the rising generations and making the country prosperous.

Kim Jong Un made an opening address.

The great socialist family is firm and the country is growing stronger as the small fences of the families which mothers have taken good care of with patriotism are supporting the country firmly as cornerstones, he said, highly appreciating that this is the immortal feats the mothers of the DPRK

performed for the Party, revolution and country. And he extended his best wishes to the participants in the meeting and all other mothers of the country on behalf of the WPK Central Committee and the DPRK government.

He clarified the intention of the Party Central Committee which attaches great importance to the 5th National Meeting of Mothers and declared the meeting opened, expressing belief that the meeting would mark an epochal occasion in making all the mothers, well aware of their mission of the times and their duty, devote all their wisdom, strength and passion to the patriotic cause for the victory of Korean-style socialism.

Hearing in tears of emotion the address overflowing with affection and trust of the tender-hearted father who values as pearls and jewels the pure conscience and selfless efforts the women dedicated to the prosperity of the country and who gives the highest glory and honor to them, all the participants raised enthusiastic cheers with their passion to devote themselves to the good growth of the rising generations and the bright future of the country true to the noble intention of the great Party Central Committee.

The national anthem of the DPRK was played after the meeting was declared opened.

Introduced at the meeting was the fact that the Central Standing Committee of the Union of Democratic Korean Women in Japan, the General Association of Koreans in China, the chairwoman of the Women's International Democratic Federation, the national executive secretary of the Democratic Women's Movement of Portugal and the chairwoman of the Argentine Women's Union sent congratulatory messages and letters to the 5th National Meeting of Mothers.

Ri Il Hwan, secretary of the WPK Central Committee, made a report at the meeting.

He said that the meeting is an auspicious event of great significance as it was held with the approach of the victorious conclusion of 2023, an epitome of the mightiness and rapid development of the DPRK.

Looking at the mothers who are leading a worthwhile life while invariably carrying forward the proud history and tradition of the Korean women's movement in the new era of the revolution, we keenly feel the great honor

and fortune of holding **Kim Jong Un** in high esteem as the sun of destiny and the father of the large socialist family, the reporter said, and continued:

The 4th National Meeting of Mothers was held in the historic year when the fighting strategy of the new century of Juche was declared. This was a demonstration of the firm will of the Party Central Committee to open up a rosy future for building a powerful country by enhancing the role of our mothers with the boundless loyalty to the Party and the revolution and patriotism.

Attaching great significance to the position and duty of mothers in the struggle for the uninterrupted progress of the revolution and prosperity of the country, **Kim Jong Un** clearly indicated the orientation and tasks for bringing about fresh improvement and development in all realms of ideology, spirit and life of our mothers suited to the stirring era at the Sixth Congress of the Democratic Women's Union of Korea, the Seventh Congress of the Socialist Women's Union of Korea and other important meetings.

The idea of successfully bringing up children to be reliable successors to the revolution and masters of powerful Korea with high political consciousness and noble cultural and moral traits, the idea of learning from the noble spiritual world and fighting traits of the preceding generations of the revolution, the idea of becoming genuine women revolutionaries and ardent patriots who devote themselves to the socialist patriotic work and other ideas and policies on the women's movement in the new era are the precious guidelines that enable our mothers to fulfill their responsibility and role as a powerful force of the development of state and society.

The reporter said that **Kim Jong Un** has energetically led the Party organizations and working people's organizations to steadily improve the work with mothers in conformity with the changed circumstances and specific conditions.

For our mothers the past period of more than ten years was a fruitful and proud one which will never be forgotten forever, he said, adding that our mothers have supported the WPK with invariable loyalty and patriotism and firmly defended the DPRK government and socialist system despite the heinous challenges of the hostile forces and unexpected manifold disasters.

The pure spirit and boundless devotion of mothers who brought up their sons and daughters as staunch persons while shouldering the heavy burden of housekeeping and gave continuity to the true nature and traits of our society were a powerful driving force that has steadily supported the all-people struggle for self-respect and prosperity, he said.

Noting that what is cherished in the hearts of the mothers who are bringing up their children well is pure conscience with which to think about the agony and worry of the Party and the state before their comfort, and noble consciousness of civic duty to contribute to consolidating the rank of the new generations who will shoulder the future of the revolution, the reporter said full of pride that more and more women cherish such a noble outlook on life.

Saying that our mothers have discharged their duty as the first educators of children, bearing in mind **Kim Jong Un's** teachings that the first step of a revolutionary is taken under the care of mother, he pointed out that it is the remarkable exploit of mothers that they provided firm continuity to the foremost tradition of the Juche revolution by implanting the purest loyalty in the minds of their children.

He also referred to the beautiful life of mothers who have raised their children to be ardent patriots dedicating themselves at the important posts of defending the state and building socialism and made the large socialist family more harmonious.

He introduced that 11 heroines of the republic, over 50 labor heroines and more than 3 500 meritorious persons of socialist patriotism have been produced among our mothers after the Fourth National Meeting of Mothers.

He said that it is the fighting task and firm will of the Party to provide the rising generations with the best life in the world by speeding up the overall development of Korean-style socialism. He went on:

Very important is the duty of mothers in accomplishing this gigantic cause, and only when the mothers fulfill their responsibility and role, is it possible to inject vitality in the advancing Korean revolution and the advantages of socialism will be displayed more fully.

If the mothers have firm faith, the courage of sons and daughters across the country will be redoubled and if the mothers unite firmly, the country will advance at a greater pace.

All our mothers should become women revolutionaries and communist mothers in the great era of **Kim Jong Un** to reliably support the far-reaching plan of a dignified power with loyalty and patriotism, bearing deep in mind the mission and duty they have assumed for their families, society, era and revolution.

Noting that some non-socialist negative elements are being revealed among the rising generations in society, the reporter said that it is closely related to family education.

He called upon the mothers to give steady continuity to the revolutionary family with more efforts to children education as befitting the first educators responsible for the physical and mental growth of their children.

Saying that they should be sensitive to the Party's line and policies and become good teachers and models of their children by setting practical examples in the struggle for implementing them, he called for working faithfully at their posts and worksites with the noble desire to become the cornerstone and roots of a thriving nation and thus leaving an indelible trace of their lives to be remembered forever by the younger generations.

The eternal harmony and prosperity of the large socialist family and the future of the country prospering generation after generation depend on the role of our mothers, he said, calling for working harder for the rosy future of great **Kim Jong Un's** Korea, the bright laughter of their beloved children and Korean-style socialism best in the world, bearing deep in mind the great honor and mission bestowed by the times and revolution.

Speeches were made at the meeting.

Listening to speeches, the participants keenly realized how beautiful and noble the life of love and devotion to the country and the younger generations is, and hardened their determination to remain faithful to the duty of mother before the Party and the revolution to the last.

The meeting continues. -0-

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Respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un**'s Opening Address Made at 5th National Conference of Mothers

Pyongyang, December 4 (KCNA)

-- The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** made an opening address at the Fifth National Conference of Mothers on December 3.

The full text of his opening address is as follows:

Dear participants in this Fifth National Conference of Mothers, who are present here on behalf of the seven million mothers of our socialist motherland, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

As I have always revered and loved our dear mothers, I am very pleased to see you at this significant meeting. To me, it is a really delightful and moving moment.

First of all, availing myself of this opportunity, I would like to extend the greatest respect and offer my best regards to our mothers, who have put their heart and soul into bringing up their children and rendered a great contribution to achieving national prosperity.

Despite the hardships and burdens they had to endure constantly in their life, our mothers have been concerned solely about how to support the country better and look after their families. Standing here in front of you, I feel my heart swelling with respect and reverence for them all.

Conference of Mothers - this is indeed a meeting reminding everybody of their beloved mothers and filling their hearts with deep gratitude for them.

Today, converging on this venue are the warm blessings and feelings of respect from all over the country. You must have undergone many painful trials and shouldered heavy burdens of your own accord, before attending this conference with a sense of unique pride and dignity.

Taking so many heavy burdens upon your feeble shoulders, you have followed the road of your own choice without seeking selfish interests or expecting any reward; sometimes, you must have found yourself collapsing from exhaustion, but each time, you gritted your teeth and rose up to live up to your pure conscience.

You, mothers of our dear country present here, have always overcome all sorts of mental anguish with a simple smile. For your ennobling spirit you are the most beautiful and admirable in the world, though your facial beauty keeps fading away because of the pains you have experienced.

In moments of hardship or difficulty, one would think of their mothers before anybody else, who gave birth to them, fed and clothed them, and helped them with their first steps.

The same is true of me. Whenever I have found it hard to tackle problems in Party or state affairs, our mothers have come to my mind first.

Each time, the thought of our mothers lifts me up and encourages me, the strong-willed women who go against all overwhelming odds for the growth of their children. Even in the face of trials, they have remained unchanged in their confidence in our Party and have been invariable in their lifelong commitment to the country's prosperity. Thinking of these daring and self-sacrificing women, I would renew my duty that I must keep going even in the midst of exhaustion, sharpen my sense of responsibility and get a fresh strength.

The self-sacrificing devotion which all our mothers have displayed for the good of this country and their spirit and strength have provided nourishment

not simply for their own families but for the future of their motherland as well, and this has propelled our great socialist family to dynamically advance by dint of its solid unity based on virtues and tender feeling.

Because the small fences of families, which our mothers have built up with care out of a feeling of patriotism, constitute the cornerstone that firmly supports the country, our great socialist family is solid and our country continues to grow strong.

This is an immortal exploit performed by mothers of Korea for the Party, the revolution and the country.

The current conference is a platform of boundless tribute and congratulation to them, on which the Party and state crown our patriotic and loyal mothers with the laurels of all victories achieved on the onward march of the new era. This is also a political festival which demonstrates once again the justness and promising future of our cause which regards the coming generations that represent the future of the country and mothers as sacred beings and places them first in considering everything.

Availing myself of this meaningful opportunity, I, on behalf of the Party Central Committee and the Government of the Republic, would like to offer my hearty gratitude and best wishes to all those present at the conference and to all other mothers in the country, who are cultivating the happiness of their families and the future of the country with warm feelings and affection and silent devotion.

I also offer my heartfelt thanks and encouragement to the overseas mothers who are devoting themselves to handing down the traditions of the nation and patriotism in alien lands, with their minds turned to the capital city of their motherland, where this large gathering of mothers is being held at this moment.

Dear mothers,

As society develops and becomes cultured, the position and role of women grow more important and mothers' share of contribution to strengthening the national power and propelling the revolution becomes greater.

Now we are confronted with a host of social tasks that our mothers should join to tackle.

These tasks include bringing up their children so that they will steadfastly carry forward our revolution, eliminating the recently-increasing non-socialist practices, promoting family harmony and social unity, establishing a sound way of cultural and moral life, making the communist virtues and traits of helping and leading one another forward prevail over our society, stopping the declining birth rate, and taking good care of children and educating them effectively. These belong to our common family affairs, which we need to deal with by joining hands with our mothers.

In view of our mothers' position and role in their families and society as a whole and the actual problems facing our state and revolution, the Party Central Committee considers this conference to be no less important than a Party congress or a plenary meeting of the Party Central Committee.

This conference will make known the positive examples our mothers have set over the past ten-plus years since the Fourth National Conference of Mothers, before holding discussions on the tasks and ways for them to fulfill their responsibilities and role they have assumed before society and their families.

Attending this conference are nearly 10 000 women. They include those who gave birth to many children, who have taken parental care of orphans and sent them to major posts of national defence and socialist construction, who have raised their children as performers of distinguished exploits and as talents, and who have made a great contribution to promoting the good of society and the collective while working faithfully without changing their jobs for several decades, as well as the women's union officials from the capital and different regions.

Fully convinced that this conference will mark an epochal turning point in ensuring that all our mothers, fully aware of their contemporary mission and revolutionary duty, devote their wisdom, strength and enthusiasm to the patriotic cause for the victory of our style of socialism, I declare the Fifth National Conference of Mothers open. -0-

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