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Press Statement by Jo Chol Su, Director- General of International Organizations Department of Foreign Affairs of DPRK

A recent UN General Assembly (UNGA) meeting adopted 60-odd resolutions on disarmament.

Among them, the resolutions under the themes of "Steps to building a common roadmap towards a world without nuclear weapons", "Towards a nuclear-weapon-free world: accelerating the implementation of nuclear disarmament commitments" and "Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty" carried contents of picking on the DPRK over its measures for bolstering self-defensive capabilities which fall under the sovereign rights of our state. Thus, the DPRK delegation expressed its strong opposition and voted against it.

In particular, we have taken the initiative in voting on the relevant paragraph of the resolution "Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty" from last year. This is to make clear that its anti-DPRK paragraph banning an exercise of its right to self-defence does not reflect the general will of the international community in opposition to the nuclear test.

Last year, six countries abstained in the voting. But this year, 4 countries including the DPRK voted against it, with 6 abstentions. This is clearly recorded in the resolutions adopted at the meeting and the UNGA official documents on the results of the voting on the paragraphs.

All these facts show the number of countries that understand and support the righteous stand of the DPRK increasing.

Nevertheless, the U.S. is employing its mouthpiece to avoid such a fact and only creates a sensation about the draft resolution as a whole, seriously

distorting the fact as if friendly countries including China and Russia have taken a stand against the DPRK.

The U.S. is now in its vicious attempt to mislead public opinion while escaping stark reality. This is nothing but a last resort to cover up its criminal act of persistently obstructing the international efforts for nuclear disarmament in every way possible, and to shift the blame of the international community onto the DPRK.

The U.S. voted against most of the 20-odd draft resolutions on nuclear disarmament put to the vote at the UNGA meetings. This fact alone clearly shows who is the very one that has systematically undermined the nuclear disarmament mechanism.

The UN forum where impartiality and equity should be ensured is now being turned into a theatre of confrontation against the DPRK for the U.S. and other hostile forces. Such a disturbing reality reminds us once again of the immutable truth that we have no right to budge even an inch from our righteous decision to safeguard our rights to sovereignty, existence and development.

As stated time and again, we will continue to exercise our legitimate sovereign rights to the full in the future too, no matter what others may say. And we will take all necessary steps to defend the sovereignty of our state and its security interests from all sorts of threats and disruptive moves by hostile forces, and bring regional peace and international justice.

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Statement by Spokesperson for Korea Association for Human Rights Studies

Pyongyang, December 9 (KCNA) -- A spokesperson for the Korea Association for Human Rights Studies made public the following statement on Saturday:

Recently the U.S. has incited hostility towards the DPRK more extremely than before while staging various sorts of fanatical anti-DPRK "human rights" rackets.

Standing on the van of it is Julie Turner, "special envoy on north Korea's human rights issues" of U.S. Department of State.

Her anti-DPRK actions for the past months clearly show that she is not a "special envoy on human rights" with human rights issues as her regular business but a "vanguard" in carrying out U.S. hostile policy towards the DPRK and a "confrontation special envoy" meddling in others' internal affairs and provoking confrontation.

The so-called protection of "defectors from the north", expansion of inflow of information and intensifying of punishment over "human rights violation" brought up by Turner is a manifestation of an aggressive attempt to lay foundations for toppling down the system and government ultimately by demonizing the dignified DPRK and producing psychological instability and discontent within it.

This is the essence of the U.S. repeated policy on "human rights" of the DPRK.

The U.S. is, indeed, the world's worst human rights abuser to be blamed by the international community as it has made the whole world noisy with its foreign policy for hegemony and interference in internal affairs of other countries and caused the humanitarian crisis of the bloodshed in the Middle East and other parts of the world.

The present reality in which human rights cannot be protected if state sovereignty is violated clearly proves that sovereignty means human rights and that the protection of sovereignty and the provision of human rights are inseparable.

The greatest threat to the DPRK's provision of human rights is coming from the U.S. hostile policy towards the DPRK, and it is the only way of defending and promoting the genuine human rights of the Korean people to remove all sorts of hostile threats from the U.S. and eradicate the root of the U.S. illegal hostile policy.

Under any circumstances human rights can never be a tool for implementing the hegemonic policy of a particular state.

The DPRK will firmly defend the independent rights and interests of the Korean people from the encroachment on sovereignty and human rights by the hostile threatening forces including the U.S., and actively join in the efforts of the international community for the provision of international justice and genuine human rights. -0-

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