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Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Hosts Reception for Russian Military Delegation

Pyongyang, July 28 (KCNA) -- **Kim Jong Un**, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK) and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, hosted a reception for the military delegation of the Russian Federation led by Minister of Defence Sergei Shoigu on July 27, the war victory day.

Present there were Jo Yong Won and Ri Pyong Chol, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK, Kang Sun Nam, minister of National Defence of the DPRK, Choe Son Hui, foreign minister of the DPRK, and other senior Party and government officials, and commanding officers of the Ministry of National Defence and commanders of the services, large combined units and combined units of the Korean People's Army.

Prior to the reception, Minister of Defence Sergei Shoigu courteously handed a gift from Russian President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin to the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un**.

Kim Jong Un expressed deep thanks to Putin for sending a significant gift to him.

Kim Jong Un entered the banquet hall together with Sergei Shoigu amid the playing of welcome music, being given a standing ovation by all the participants who greeted the meaningful moment, another event to be etched in the history of the traditional DPRK-Russia friendship.

Ri Pyong Chol made a speech at the reception.

Warmly welcoming the Russian Minister of Defence who is the closest comrade-in-arms and brother and all comrades of the Russian military delegation, who were present at the significant reception for marking the 70th anniversary of the great war victory, Ri Pyong Chol said that their visit to the DPRK served as an occasion for powerfully demonstrating the might of unity and solidarity between the two countries which had been sealed at the cost of blood and have been growing stronger on the road of realizing the common ideal and goal.

He said the DPRK-Russia friendship, which the revolutionary forerunners of the two countries provided and cultivated with much care by fighting bloody battles together, is developing into the invincible comradeship and long-term strategic relations under the special care of Comrade **Kim Jong Un** and Comrade Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin.

The armies and peoples of the two countries are safeguarding the sovereign rights, development and interests of their countries from the U.S. brigandish strategy for world domination by dint of ideologies and arms, and strongly supporting and encouraging each other to protect the regional and global peace and security and international justice by their concerted efforts, he said.

Upon authorization of **Kim Jong Un**, president of the State Affairs of the DPRK and supreme commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, he extended the warmest militant regards, support and encouragement to the fighting Russian army and people on behalf of the DPRK government, armed forces and all the Korean people.

He expressed belief that the armies and peoples of the DPRK and Russia would always get united as genuine comrades and comrades-in-arms and emerge victorious thanks to the deep friendship between the top leaders of the two countries and the traditions of victory and the noble spirit bequeathed by the victorious wartime generations.

Then Sergei Shoigu made a speech.

He extended sincere congratulations to all the Korean people on the 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War in reflection of the feelings of the Russian people.

The KPA has become the most powerful army in the world as it has honorably inherited the militant traditions of the Paektusan guerrilla army and the respected generations and striven to make itself strong, rallied close around its Supreme Commander, he stressed.

The KPA has faithfully upheld the leadership of the WPK, reliably defended the country from the imperialists' threat, devoted themselves to the people and made positive contributions to the economic construction, he said.

Wishing all the veterans who took part in the Fatherland Liberation War longevity in good health and the peoples of the two countries friendship and well-being, he expressed the willingness of the Russian Federation to develop the multi-faceted cooperation with the DPRK consistently.

All the participants toasted the good health of **Kim Jong Un**, president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, and Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, president of the Russian Federation.

An art performance was given to welcome the Russian military delegation during the reception.

Kim Jong Un had pleasant chats with Sergei Shoigu and other major members of the Russian military delegation, deepening comradely friendship.

The reception proceeded in an amicable and friendly atmosphere. -0-



Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Meets Sergei Shoigu at Office Building of C.C., WPK

Pyongyang, July 28 (KCNA) -- **Kim Jong Un**, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK) and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, invited Minister of Defence Sergei Shoigu, head of the military delegation of the Russian Federation paying a congratulatory visit to the DPRK on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War, to the office building of the WPK Central Committee on Thursday morning.

The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** had a souvenir photo taken with Sergei Shoigu before having a comradely talk with him in his office.

He had a detailed and candid discussion with Sergei Shoigu on the important issues of mutual concern of the two countries.

He referred to the WPK and the DPRK government's judgment and principled stand on the rapidly changing international security environment and the military and political situation of the Korean peninsula and exchanged views with Sergei Shoigu on many issues.

The talk also sincerely discussed some issues arising in further developing the strategic and tactical collaboration and cooperation between the two countries in the field of defence and security.

Then he had a luncheon with Sergei Shoigu.

Sergei Shoigu expressed sincere thanks to **Kim Jong Un** for paying special attention to him and his military delegation's Pyongyang visit and lavishing warm hospitality on them.
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Meeting Held to Mark 70th Anniversary of Victory in Fatherland Liberation War

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Attends Meeting

Pyongyang, July 28 (KCNA) -- The great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War shining with legendary miracles is an unprecedented great event of special significance in the national and world history, in which the army and people of the DPRK made a history of heroic resistance striking the world people with admiration, consolidated the foundation for eternal victory and prosperity of the powerful DPRK and defended peace of humankind at the most acute outpost line of anti-imperialist independence under the leadership of the outstanding leader.

On the V-Day, an all-people and national holiday that gives the eternal glory and fame to the dignified DPRK, the whole country is paying the noble respects to the heroic generation who created the tradition of great victory with boundless loyalty, bravery and patriotism in the hard-fought war in the 1950s and has constantly developed the history of succession.

A meeting for celebrating the 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War took place with splendor in Pyongyang, the capital city, on July 27.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, attended the meeting.

When the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** appeared at the platform of honor, all the participants raised enthusiastic cheers of "Hurrah!", looking up to him who represents the strength and dignity of the powerful DPRK and the symbol of eternal victory.

Acknowledging the enthusiastically cheering crowds, he warmly congratulated the Fatherland Liberation War participants and all the people across the country and the men and officers of the Korean People's Army (KPA) on the eternal V-Day of the glorious DPRK.

Taking the tribune were Kim Tok Hun, Jo Yong Won, Choe Ryong Hae and Ri Pyong Chol, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK, and other senior officials of the Party and the government, chief secretaries of the provincial party committees, leading officials of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, the Cabinet and working people's organizations and war veterans.

The tribune was also taken by Kang Sun Nam, minister of National Defence of the DPRK, Jong Kyong Thaek, director of the KPA General Political Bureau, Pak Su Il, chief of the KPA General Staff, and other commanding officers of the Ministry of National Defence and commanders of the services and large combined units of the KPA.

Seen at the tribune were Sergei Shoigu, defence minister of the Russian Federation, and Li Hongzhong, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China.

Present at the meeting were war veterans and persons of wartime merits who are masters of the great heroic era, and activists in the traits of assisting the army, persons of distinguished services, labor innovators, descendants of martyrs, young builders, men and officers of the KPA and students of the revolutionary schools.

Present on invitation were members of the Russian military delegation and the Chinese party and government delegation on a visit to the DPRK for attending the celebrations of the 70th anniversary of the victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War and foreign diplomatic envoys here.

The national anthem of the DPRK was solemnly played.

Ri Il Hwan, member of the Political Bureau and secretary of the Central Committee of the WPK, made a speech in commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the war victory.

Upon authorization of the Party and the government, the speaker offered heartfelt greetings to the respected war veterans and persons of wartime merits who performed immortal feats in the Fatherland Liberation War

under the leadership of President **Kim Il Sung**, the brilliant military strategist and invincible and iron-willed commander, handed down to the Korean people the history and tradition of victory to be remembered with pride century after century and took part in the celebrations of the 70th anniversary of the war victory to be specially recorded in history, in good health.

He also warmly congratulated all the people across the country and the KPA service personnel who greet the V-Day with high pride of having honorably safeguarded for 70 years the name and flag of the DPRK, defended by the first heroic generation of the

DPRK at the cost of their blood, and fully demonstrated its dignity and might before the world.

And he extended heartfelt gratitude to the Communist Party of China, the government of the People's Republic of China and all the Chinese people who helped the DPRK's revolutionary war at the cost of blood and have invariably supported the just cause of the Korean Party and people, and warm greetings to the veterans of the Chinese People's Volunteers and bereaved families of those who took part in the war.

He said that the Fatherland Liberation War was unprecedented in terms of arduousness and fierceness as it was a war for defending the sovereignty, territory and people of the DPRK from the invasion by the formidable imperialist outsiders and a total war between the progressive and the reactionary for defending the socialist and democratic camp and peace of humankind from the arrogant scheme by the U.S. imperialists to dominate the whole world.

He noted that the confrontation between the young sovereign state and U.S. imperialism, which boasted of being "the strongest" in the world with the history of more than hundred years of aggression, was the harshest trial, but the DPRK and its people bravely turned out in the struggle for discharging their responsibility and mission given by the times and history and performed a miracle of frustrating the aggression offensives of the imperialist war maniacs.

Along with the war victory, the DPRK came to be clearly recognized by the world as a bulwark in the East that defends independence and justice by resolutely fighting against the most ferocious and formidable U.S. imperialism, and its dignified name and flag came to shine all over the world as a symbol of heroism and banner of victory in the anti-imperialist struggle, he said, referring to the historic significance and profound meaning of the victory in the war.

The historic significance of the war victory shining with gold letters in the history of the country lies in the fact that the history of heroic struggle of winning the greatest victory in the gravest circumstances was created and it was cemented into the tradition of the Korean revolution and the character of our national development, he said.

Thanks to the great history in which the war that could have been ended in a terrible tragedy was concluded with victory, a new history of the DPRK, in which it accomplished the great cause of building a powerful nation while setting up new milestone in such harsh annals, was created and legendary 70 years of defending the regional and global peace from all sorts of injustice and tyranny were recorded in the history of the country, he stressed.

The legendary annals and watersheds of changes that astonished the world over the past 70 years since the day of the war victory were all witnessed in the periods when the internal and external situation was complicated and the country faced difficulties, he pointed out, adding that all the heroic feats that stirred up the times were linked to the revolutionary spirit of the victorious wartime generation.

He said what the DPRK held fast to like the banner in the face of trials that are too severe for a country and nation was the history and tradition of war victory which transformed the most arduous years into ones of miracle and what its people cherished as

an example of their life and struggle was the indomitable fighting spirit and legendary feats of the victorious wartime generation.

The speaker said that millions of young people, aware of the honor and mission of being descendants of the victorious wartime generation, rushed to the places called by the country to steadily carry forward the heroic epic of the Korean youth with youthful passion and fearless mettle. He went on:

And all the people strived to build socialism in the spirit of the wartime generation and with an indomitable will as intended by the Party Central Committee, thus proving once again the truth of history that nothing is more firm and reliable than the unity of the people rallied around the great leader and that no force is more powerful than their staunch anti-imperialist revolutionary spirit.

This gathering shared by the creators and eyewitnesses of history who achieved the fame of heroic Korea despite the worst-ever challenges and misfortune and the trustworthy descendents who carried forward their noble soul and lifeblood is like an epitome of the country's 70-year history showing how the lifeline of our revolution has been inherited, how the nature of our state has been preserved and how our national power has grown stronger.

All generations have been firmly carried forward by a single red bloodline and become a whole of one life thanks to the history and tradition of the great war victory no matter how much water flows under the bridge. Herein lies the factor that the orthodoxy of our revolution has been preserved to date, and the strength peculiar to our state which is free from degeneration and frustration.

It is the greatest honor and pride of our Party and people to have the history of victory that will defend the strong breath of the ever-victorious Korean revolution and add eternal luster to the mightiness and invincibility of the Republic.

The war provided the DPRK with the glory of victory and the intense experience that a horrible war should not be repeated as well as the goal of building a powerful country at all costs, the speaker said, stressing that if it had had the strength powerful enough to frustrate the U.S. imperialists' ambition for aggression, the war would not have ended in ceasefire on this land.

As they are mindful of that bitter experience and towering grudge and can no longer live as a target of aggression, the WPK and the DPRK government have made a strenuous advance to bolster up the military capability, regarding self-defence as a keynote policy despite all challenges and hardships of history, and history remembers how peace has been maintained and defended for many years on this land turned into a fierce theatre of confrontation between the two parties conflicting with each other ideologically and institutionally, he said, adding:

The history of strength of the DPRK and its people can neither be stopped nor delayed as the U.S., an aggressive and hegemonic entity exists on this planet. If the U.S. imperialists run amuck, failing to clearly understand the trend of the times and the changed reality, and ignite another war in Korea, they are certain to be buried in the grave of history together with their excessive ambition.

The speaker said that 70 years ago the Korean people waged a heroic struggle, enjoying selfless mental and material assistance from the peace-loving peoples of the world and thus created a great history in which justice beat injustice and progress overwhelmed reaction.

During the Fatherland Liberation War, the Chinese party and government dispatched their excellent sons and daughters to the Korean front despite difficult conditions and thus devotedly contributed to the victory in the war and made a great contribution to safeguarding the security of their country and defending the socialist eastern outpost, he said.

The Chinese People's Volunteers (CPV) formed a good tradition of winning victory by dint of revolutionary unity after becoming one with the Korean People's Army in the staunch revolutionary spirit against imperialism while fighting in the same trench together with the KPA, he said, adding that the Korean party and people will never forget the militant feats and historic achievements performed by the officers and men of the CPV and will always remember them in the future, too.

The speaker once again warmly welcomed General Sergei Shoigu, defence minister of the Russian Federation, a friendly neighboring country, who came to Pyongyang in congratulation of the great holiday of the DPRK and extended heartfelt militant salute to the Russian government, army and people who have turned out in the historic struggle for defeating the groups threatening and damaging its sovereignty, security and interests and building powerful Russia.

Saying that as long as there exist dominationist forces and high-handed practices to cook up and incite bloody confrontation, coup and war in different parts of the planet in pursuance of hegemony and expansion and restrict and hurt other countries, no country and region can be safe, he stressed that the DPRK government and people will stand firmly on the side of those countries against the U.S. hegemony and fight in the same trench with them.

He affirmed that the Korean people would fight unyieldingly and staunchly, united around the great Comrade **Kim Jong Un** for eternal peace, prosperity and development on this land, for the immortality of the noble sacrifice and beautiful soul of many sung and unsung brave soldiers and for the great powerful country where their desire would be translated into reality and for the eternal prosperity of the beloved DPRK which will shine for all ages.

At the meeting, Sergei Shoigu read out a congratulatory speech sent by Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, president of the Russian Federation, to the participants in the meeting for celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Korean people's victory in the Fatherland Liberation War on the occasion of the victory day.

All the participants expressed their gratitude with the ardent applause for the speech of President Putin who extended heartfelt congratulations

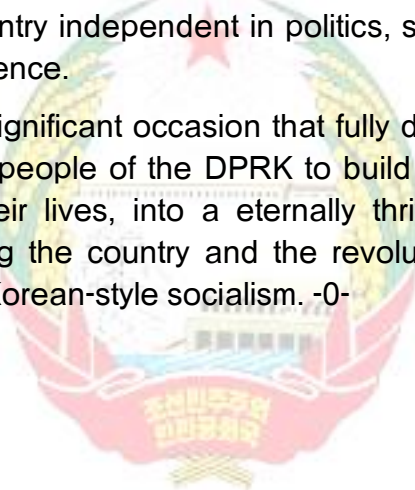
to the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** and the participants on the glorious holiday of victory of the Korean people.

Jo Yong Won, Presidium member of the Political Bureau and secretary for Organizational Affairs of the WPK Central Committee, conveyed a congratulatory message from the WPK Central Committee to all the people and service personnel who have made immortal contributions to glorifying the tradition of victory of heroic Korea.

All the participants were impressed by the congratulatory message that reviewed the 70-year history of struggle which firmly linked the idea of pioneering the Korean revolution to the new century and clearly proved before the world the scientific accuracy and immortality of our idea and cause as the immutable truth that no one can deny and that showed the unwavering will of the WPK to defend the country, associated with the sacred life of President **Kim Il Sung** and Chairman **Kim Jong Il**, and the socialist system upheld through the heroic struggle and costly self-sacrifice of the revolutionary forerunners and demonstrate the honor of victors forever.

They more deeply cherished the conviction that the ever-victorious history and tradition will be immortal as they hold in high esteem **Kim Jong Un**, peerless patriot and great defender of peace who is firmly turning the heroic fighting spirit of the victorious wartime generation into the blood vessel of the Korean revolution and ushering in a new era of a prosperous and powerful country independent in politics, self-supporting in the economy and self-reliant in national defence.

The meeting served as a significant occasion that fully displayed the unshakable faith and will of the WPK and the people of the DPRK to build the country, defended by the forerunners at the risk of their lives, into a eternally thriving socialist power with the transparent spirit of defending the country and the revolution as a treasured sword of victory and the invincibility of Korean-style socialism. -0-





Grand Military Parade Held to Celebrate 70th Anniversary of Great War Victory

Pyongyang, July 28 (KCNA) -- The 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War is being celebrated across the DPRK as an auspicious holiday of the country and its people in the glorious course of glorifying heroic Korea's history and traditions of great succession and dashing toward a greater victory under the uplifted banner of independent in politics, self-supporting in economy and self-reliant in national defence, guided by the ever-victorious Workers' Party of Korea.

All the people are filled with the great pride and confidence of greeting the 70th war victory anniversary with the unshakable faith and will to give eternal continuity to the undying history of the war victory which saved the new-born republic from the danger of collapse and preserved human peace by averting a new world war with the inexhaustible strength resulting from the single-minded unity around the great leader and the great Party and indomitable fighting spirit.

A grand military parade took place in Pyongyang, the capital city of the DPRK, on the evening of July 27, the eternal war victory holiday of the glorious DPRK, in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War.

The sculpture "Victory", symbolic of heroism of the army and people of the DPRK who inflicted the most miserable defeat upon the U.S. imperialists in the history of war and brought about the beginning of ruin for them, was shedding its bright rays

on **Kim Il Sung** Square, where an endless stream of military paraders of the strong revolutionary army, a reliable defender of the DPRK government, and entities of its inexhaustible national defence capabilities, would go past representing the history of ever-victorious Juche Korea.

The strategic reconnaissance drone and the multi-purpose attack drone which were newly developed and produced and are to be furnished for the KPA air force made circular flights in the sky above the square for the military parade to add to the joy of the people who have celebrated July 27 representing victory and glory of Juche Korea generation after generation.

Then, youth and students started their dancing party to rev up the festive atmosphere around the magnificent sculpture "Victory" representing the costly self-sacrifice of the victorious wartime generation for the country and the noble soul and reflecting the dignity and spirit of the great country and the great victors on the eminence of the world.

When the defenders of the country and heroes of the myth of the epoch-making war victory in the 1950s, who have provided the great privilege and honor of celebrating the great war victory generation after generation, entered the military parade square amid the display of fireworks, youth and students presented bouquets and flowers to them and the audience loudly applauded them.

The State Merited Chorus in charge of playing military parade music entered the square.

A combined military band started its ceremonial performance as a curtain-raiser to the military parade.

With cheerful melodies and dynamic rhythms, the music players represented the great joy and excitement that filled the square celebrating the war victory 70 years ago and the proud history of the victorious war by revolutionary armed forces which have reliably carried forward the spirit of the heroic generation.

The members of the guards of honor of the KPA showed the invincible spirit and militant optimism of the one-match-for-a-hundred army through their peculiar and skilful handling of rifles to the tune of exciting revolutionary military music.

Then, the parade units of the ever-victorious heroic army, the elite armed forces of the DPRK, dignified with its invincibility, entered the square to the tune of music played by a grand parade orchestra.

Colors of the guard units which glorified the 1 129 days of the Fatherland Liberation War with feats and the matchless elite units which have demonstrated invincibility in the confrontation with the U.S.-led imperialists spanning the two centuries were brought and lined up at the entrance to the square.

All the members of the military parade were looking up to the platform of the square, greatly excited to be reviewed by **Kim Jong Un**, symbol of the mightiness and absolute dignity of socialist Korea and banner of all victories and glory.

A solemn reception ceremony of the guards of honor of the Korean People's Army (KPA) took place when **Kim Jong Un**, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, arrived at the square.

After receiving a salute from the head of the guards of honor of the KPA, he reviewed the guards of honor and the colors of major units of the KPA.

Kim Jong Un, Supreme Commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, was greeted by commanding officers of the Ministry of National Defence, the large combined units and combined units of the KPA.

The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** came out to the platform of the military parade square amid the playing of welcome music.

The moment, all the members of the military parade and the participants in the celebrations broke into stormy cheers of "Hurrah!" as a token of their highest tribute to **Kim Jong Un**, outstanding leader and the great brilliant commander, who has injected tremendous vitality into the lifeblood of the Korean revolution and provided a firm guarantee for eternally carrying forward the ever-victorious history of Juche Korea.

He was presented with bouquets of fragrant flowers by pretty children.

He warmly waved back to the enthusiastically cheering paraders and participants.

Taking the platform were Ri Pyong Chol, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK, vice-chairman of the Central Military Commission of the WPK and secretary of the C.C., WPK, commanding officers of the Ministry of National Defence, commanders and political commissars of the KPA large combined units, and commanders of the combined units.

Senior Party and government officials and veteran cadres who had worked at the Party, the government and the military for a long time took the special seats of the platform.

Present there on invitation were General Sergei Shoigu, minister of Defence of the Russian Federation, Li Hongzhong, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the Chinese National People's Congress, and other members of the Russian military delegation and the Chinese party and government delegation visiting the DPRK to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War, and diplomatic envoys of Russia and China here.

The participants in the celebrations for the 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War, including war veterans, persons of wartime merits, persons of exemplary traits in supporting the army, persons of merits, labor innovators, exemplary service persons and descendents of martyrs, were present on the reviewing stands.

A ceremony for hoisting the national flag of the DPRK was solemnly held.

To the tune of the song "Our National Flag" that instills patriotism into all people, demonstrators in formation depicting the DPRK Hero Medal entered the square, being reviewed by the colors of the KPA combined units at all levels.

Along with the spotlighted Hero Medal that represents the spirit of the heroic people who defeated the two formidable imperialist enemies in one generation under the guidance of the great leader and symbolizes the valuable dignity and honor of Juche

Korea winning the most brilliant victory in the face of the stern tempest of the revolution, war veterans handed the flag of the DPRK, which they defended at the cost of their blood in the flames of the war, to members of the KPA guard of honor.

The sacred national flag, the undying banner which was held aloft at the fore of advance by the victors of the great years, the flag which represents the prestige and might of the country being powerful as an independent nation and reflects the boundless pride and happiness of the Korean people, was hoisted slowly amid the solemn playing of the national anthem of the DPRK.

All the participants paid high tribute to the national flag, looking up to it with a surge of excitement.

Fireworks were displayed in the sky of significant July and the square of the military parade was filled with emotion and joy when the flag of the DPRK shining as a symbol of eternal victory and justice began fluttering at the top of the flagpole.

A 21-gun salute was fired to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War.

Kang Sun Nam, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the WPK and minister of National Defence of the DPRK, made a speech.

He said that it is a great honor of the service personnel of the armed forces of the DPRK and a great auspicious event for all the Korean people to hold a military parade for celebrating the war victory day at the square where the shouts of "Hurrah!" reverberated with the joy over the great victory after firmly defending the country from the armed invasion by the U.S. imperialists and their vassal forces 70 years ago.

Saying the military parade, which will show the history of the great victory through a striking demonstration of great strength, shall be the greatest-ever one in the world, the most unique and powerful festival for marking the victory in the war, the speaker stressed that the DPRK, led by the invincible revolutionary Party and the outstanding leader, will prosper forever and the great Korean people propelling the revolutionary cause of Juche, the cause of socialism, will always emerge victorious in glory.

Then followed a review of the preparations for the parade.

KPA Marshal Ri Pyong Chol, vice-chairman of the Central Military Commission of the WPK, was told by Army General Kang Sun Nam, minister of National Defence of the DPRK, that the military parade units lined up to be reviewed for the parade preparations.

He reviewed the parade units.

Then he reported the Supreme Commander of the armed forces of the DPRK that the military parade for celebrating the 70th anniversary of the great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War was ready to start.

The grand parade began with the entry of a column of paraders in wartime officer uniform carrying a picture depicting the venerable image of President **Kim Il Sung** who glorified the history of the hard-won great war victory.

Ri Myong Su, a war veteran, was in the van of the marching column holding the portraits of the brave anti-Japanese and anti-U.S. fighters including Kim Chaek, Kang

Kon, Kim Il and Ryu Kyong Su who performed the undying feats to be eternally recorded in the history of the great war victory, deeming their loyalty to the leader conscience and honor, morality and obligation, before regarding it as their duty.

Led by a war veteran Choe Yong Rim, the column of the paraders in wartime bodyguard company uniform marched past the square with the portraits of the ardent loyalists including Hyon Chol Hae, Yon Hyong Muk and Pak Song Bong, who became a fortress and shield to devotedly defend the Supreme Command during the war, to remind the spectators of the historical iron truth that the outstanding leader and the genuine revolutionaries who devotedly defended him are always together in the history of the great war victory.

Columns of the first guard unit of the revolutionary armed forces, legendary guard divisions and guard regiments entered the square one after another, holding aloft their colors reflecting the immortal feats they performed to make a breakthrough for advance at every strategic stage of the Fatherland Liberation War.

The column of the Guards Kang Kon 2nd Infantry Division, whose soldiers destroyed a large number of enemy troops and combat equipment in each stage of the fierce war, performed matchless feats in the battles for defending Height 1211 and plunged the aggressors into a "trap valley" of ruin, started its march, holding the portraits of Commander of Division Choe Hyon and KPA heroes produced by the division, including Ri Su Bok and An Yong Ae.

They were followed by the column of the Guards Seoul 3rd Infantry Division, the arrow unit of advance which performed the admirable feats in the operation for liberating Seoul, annihilated the "Smith commando", a scouting unit of the U.S. imperialist aggressors, in the Osan battle and set a brilliant example of the modern siege in the operation for liberating Taejon, and the column of the Seoul Kim Chaek 4th Infantry Division, a world-famous brave combat unit.

The column of the Guards 6th Infantry Division renowned for its high mobility and serial strike warfare and the column of the Andong 12th Infantry Division, a unit of tigers which fought in the eastern mountainous areas, went past the square holding the portraits of Hero Han Kye Ryol who pioneered the movement of "My Height" and Hero Jo Sun Ok and Hero Kang Ho Yong who became human bombs during the war.

Then, the columns of the Guards 10th Infantry Regiment which produced 16 brave fighters of Phohang, the Guards 18th Infantry Regiment, a winged tiger unit which ran over 40 km in a single night to block the enemy's retreat and conclude the siege on Taejon, and the Guards 14th Infantry Regiment and the Guards 86th Infantry Regiment whose soldiers stroke horror into the enemy by becoming human bullets and swords standing in the van of the victorious advance directed by the Supreme Command, marched past the square, fluttering their colors reflecting their great exploits.

The columns of the Guards 56 Pursuit Aircraft Regiment, whose propeller planes shot down the then latest fighter planes of the enemy, including B-29 heavy bomber advertised by the U.S. imperialists as an aerial fortress, in the early days of the war, and the column of the Second Torpedo Boat Squadron whose four torpedo boats destroyed the heavy cruiser "Baltimore" and a light cruiser of the enemy in the Jumunjin naval battle,

a miracle unprecedented in the world war history, went past the square to remind the spectators of the heroic phoenix-like pilots and death-defying sailors during the war.

The audience loudly applauded the columns symbolic of the feats of the wartime guard units which provided the traditions of eternal victory of the country by demonstrating the mettle of heroic Korea in turning the crime-woven tradition of "upturn" of the U.S. imperialists into the one of disgrace and defeat.

The column symbolic of the railway soldiers who performed matchless feats in munitions transport in the flames of war and the column representing the Ministry of the Interior whose soldiers discovered in time the enemy's aggression war plan in the battle fields without gunfire and promptly detected and purged many spies and saboteurs to make distinguished contributions to the victory of the war, marched past the square. Then, the columns symbolic of the children, men and women guerillas who had fought against the aggressors in the death-defying battles against aggressors by inheriting the invaluable traditions of the anti-Japanese war appeared on the square with fluttering red flags and the flags of the Children's Union to represent the history of indomitable resistance.

The columns of wartime mechanized units entered the square filled with the heroic fighting spirit and stamina of the victorious wartime generation.

Led by Tank No. 312, which had plunged itself into the citadel of the enemy three days after the start of the war before any others, mercilessly smashing the aggressors, and hoisted the flag of the DPRK on the rooftop of the puppet capitol building, the column representing the wartime unit which liberated Seoul went past the square, reminding the spectators of the excitement and joy on the historic liberation day.

The column symbolic of the guards anti-air artillery regiments, which successfully carried out the capital city anti-air defence duty to defend the security of the Supreme Command and shot down or damaged more than 640 enemy planes during the war, moved past the square with artillery pieces shining with their heroic feats.

The column of the heavy machinegun carriages, whose crack shots mercilessly killed the aggressors to dauntlessly defend every inch of the homeland during the war, cantered past the square, telling the signal military exploits they performed by overpowering the U.S. imperialists' numerical and technical superiority in the spirit of devotedly defending the country and with the Juche-oriented war methods and tactics.

They were followed by the representatives of the army strong in idea and faith, the elite revolutionary army filled with the spirit of devotedly defending the Party Central Committee and the heroic fighting spirit.

The column of honorary cavalymen trotted past the square in the spirit of advancement of the heroic KPA which is carrying forward generation after generation the precious traditions of defending the leader pioneered in the bloody anti-Japanese war and further consolidated in the flames of the anti-U.S. struggle, and dashing along the single road of victory indicated by the leader.

The columns of the Guard Office of the WPK Central Committee, the Guard Department of the State Affairs Commission, the Bodyguard Department, the Bodyguard

Command, marched past the square in majestic appearances, eloquently proving the invincible philosophy and the immutable truth that the eternal victory of Juche Korea and the happiness and prosperity of the posterity lie in devotedly defending the Party Central Committee.

Led by their commanders holding the swords for annihilating the enemy, the columns of the frontline corps marched past the square, proudly flying the colors of the invincible divisions and brigades which have always emerged victorious in the decades-long confrontation with the U.S.

The column of the naval and air forces, which are renowned for a series of myth-like historic victories they achieved by inflicting defeats upon the arrogant U.S. aggressors in the battles for protecting the territorial waters and sky of the country, and the columns of the Strategic Force and the Special Operations Force, which are symbolic of the tremendous strength of the DPRK armed forces, appeared on the square demonstrating their strong will to make the tradition of the bitter defeat a fate of the U.S. imperialists.

The columns of the unit for mountain warfare in the rear of the enemy and the 41st Amphibious Shock Battalion, which are fully ready to inflict a unimaginably terrible defeat on the enemy by infiltrating into the enemy positions at a lightening speed with the Korean-style Juche-based war methods and in the spirit of a-match-for-a-hundred attack, marched past the square, looking up to the platform.

Kim Jong Un extended warm militant greetings to the columns of the paraders marching in high spirits, holding high their glorious colors associated with the great feats they performed by winning one victory after another in the long-standing confrontation with the U.S., with their hearts burning with the unshakable class awareness, the uncompromising fighting spirit and the will of merciless punishment.

The military paraders loudly shouted "Hurrah!", looking up to the peerlessly brilliant commander who turned the KPA into the strong fist of justice filled with the revolutionary spirit of Paektu, the spirit of defending the country in the 1950s and the invincible fighting spirit, and into the invincible army capable of defeating any formidable enemy.

The columns of the corps, which are responsible for defending the capital city, and the columns of the corps, which are firmly guarding the coastal area of the country, the border and the depth of the rear, went past the military parade square rocked by the chants of the ardent resolution to unhesitatingly dedicate their lives to implementing the plan, intention and order of the Party and the leader just like the great revolutionary generations who braved the flames of the anti-U.S. war, and to win all the glory of life in doing so.

They were followed by the proud march-past by the columns of tank divisions, the units of iron-claw tigers, the columns of mechanized infantry divisions and the General Reconnaissance Bureau, which will hoist the flag of victory before anyone else on the target spots specified by the Party Central Committee in the same spirit, morale and mettle as the wartime guards tankmen, the columns of **Kim Il Sung** Military University, the highest seat of Juche-based military education for training the brave fighters for the showdown with the U.S.-led imperialists, and **Kim Jong Il** University of Military and Politics, the center for training the highest-ranking military officers of the country,

and **Kim Il Sung** University of Politics, the pedigree institution for training the political officers of the KPA.

The columns of revolutionary schools, the ranks of the reliable successors who are successfully carrying forward the original lineage of the revolution and the traditions of victory generation after generation at the pedigree institutions for training the backbone of the revolution for guaranteeing the eternal purity of the revolutionary cause of Juche, and the column of the Worker-Peasant Red Guards, who are making full preparations for all-people resistance by turning every part of the country into iron wall, went past the square with loud footsteps.

Entering the square with the militant spirit to perform feats in the frontline of the class struggle were the columns of the Ministry of State Security, the Ministry of Public Security and the armed mobile unit of the Public Security Forces, which are demonstrating their might as the WPK's reliable political security units reliably defending the precious gains of the socialist country and the security of the people and the elite units holding a part of the revolutionary armed forces.

Kim Jong Un waved his hand as a token of his encouragement at the paraders who filled their single mind of upholding the Party Central Committee with the spirit of the victorious wartime generation out of their pledge of faith to glorify for seven hundred, seven thousand years the history of the great war victory and the 70-year-long history of struggle for preserving that victory.

The square was rocked by the loud chants of pledge by all the paraders to continue their dynamic advance for the permanent might and victory under the leadership of **Kim Jong Un**, the most brilliant commander in the world.

A parade flight of the people's air force began over the square overflowing with the great joy and festive mood on the war victory day.

A flight column depicting five-pointed stars and figure "70", flied across the sky of July above the square, representing the history of the great war victory of the DPRK unprecedented in the history of the world wars in the light of ferocity and heroism.

The columns of mechanized units started their parade, showing the mightiness, modernity and will of the revolutionary armed forces of the DPRK to deal merciless blows at the descendants of aggressors in the acute confrontation which continues generation after generation.

The columns of the main tanks, which will dash ahead in the van of the decisive battle for territorial restoration while giving vent to the bitter grudge of the victorious wartime generation who had to stop their advance near the southern coast of the country due to the lack of weapons, and the columns of artillerymen, the primary service of the People's Army, who will open up the road of advance of the frontline units with merciless gunfire, roared past the square.

The columns of tactical and long-range cruise missile units, which are on standby for fire, entered the square, declaring before the world the toughest stand of the revolutionary armed forces of the DPRK to mount unprecedentedly powerful final annihilating strikes upon the enemy in response to their frontal challenge.

The columns of the latest weaponry, which have become stepping-stones for giving eternal vitality to the name and the flag of the DPRK and rapidly enhancing its prestige, fully demonstrated the spirit of the nuclear combat force of the DPRK.

The columns of the DPRK's strategic weapons roared past the square.

Let's react to nuclear threats and all-out confrontation in kind!

The excitement and great joy of the spectators reached its height when the Second Red Flag Company of the General Missile Bureau entered the square with the ICBM Hwasongpho-18, the most powerful core mainstay of the strategic force of the DPRK, which is fully deterring and overwhelmingly countering the hostile forces' various nuclear war threats and provocative acts of aggression against the DPRK and reliably defending the security of the DPRK.

The column of the ICBM Hwasongpho-17 representing the might of the strategic force of the DPRK, an absolute entity of the might of the powerful state and its people capable of putting an end to the imperialist tyranny on the earth and saving the future of mankind, and a treasured sword for justice and peace, passed the square, led by the hero launcher in its van.

All the participants broke into cheers of "Hurrah!", looking up to **Kim Jong Un**, peerless patriot and invincible iron-willed commander who adds glory to the fame and honor of the DPRK, won by the victorious wartime generation 70 years ago, at the highest-ever level in the history of the nation and provided an ever-victorious treasured sword to be handed down to posterity with his strong pluck, far-sightedness and extraordinary leadership ability.

At the end of the parade, thunderous cheers of excitement again reverberated far and wide and fireworks were displayed in the nocturnal sky of the war victory day.

Kim Jong Un warmly waved his hands to acknowledge the enthusiastically cheering crowds.

The military parade for celebrating the 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War will be recorded in the history of the country as a grand political and military festival which demonstrated to the world the unshakable will of all the service personnel and people of the DPRK to accelerate the overall prosperity and development of socialism and create a new myth of war victory in the era of **Kim Jong Un** in the sacred war against the U.S.-led imperialists in their great heroic spirit and fighting traits. -0-