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Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Receives Russian Defence Minister

Pyongyang, July 27 (KCNA) -- **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, received a military delegation of the Russian Federation led by Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu, on a congratulatory visit to the DPRK for the 70th anniversary of the victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War, at the office building of the Party Central Committee on July 26.

He gladly met and exchanged warm greetings with Sergei Shoigu.

He warmly welcomed the visit of the Russian military delegation to the DPRK and had a friendly talk with Sergei Shoigu.

On the occasion, Shoigu courteously conveyed an autograph letter from Russian President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin to the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un**.

Expressing gratitude to Putin for his warm and good letter, **Kim Jong Un** asked Shoigu to convey his thanks to Putin who dispatched the military delegation led by the defence minister to Pyongyang to congratulate the Korean people on the glorious victory holiday.

Recollecting with deep emotion the history of deep-rooted DPRK-Russia friendship, they at the talk exchanged the appraisal and opinions on the matters of mutual concern in the field of national defence and security and on the regional and international security environment and reached a consensus of view on them.

The talk proceeded in a cordial atmosphere overflowing with militant friendship.

After the talk, **Kim Jong Un** was presented with a gift prepared by Sergei Shoigu with sincerity.

He expressed deep thanks for it and presented his souvenir to Shoigu in commemoration of his visit to the DPRK.

The meeting between **Kim Jong Un** and Sergei Shoigu at an important time serves as an important occasion in further developing the strategic and traditional DPRK-Russia relations as required by the new century and further boosting in depth the strategic and tactical collaboration and cooperation between the two countries in the field of national defence and security to cope with the ever-changing regional and international security environment.

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Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Visits Weaponry Exhibition House with Sergei Shoigu

Pyongyang, July 27 (KCNA) -- The "Weaponry Exhibition-2023" is going on under the sponsorship of the Ministry of National Defence of the DPRK to mark the 70th anniversary of the victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War.

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, visited the weaponry exhibition house on July 26, together with Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu and members of the military delegation of the Russian Federation.

When he arrived at the exhibition house, Kang Sun Nam, minister of National Defence of the DPRK, made a salute to him.

Present there were senior party and government officials including Kim Tok Hun, Jo Yong Won, Choe Ryong Hae and Ri Pyong Chol, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, commanding officers of the Ministry of National Defence and military and political commanding officers of the large combined units and combined units of the Korean People's Army.

The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** again expressed thanks to Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu and members of the Russian military delegation for visiting Pyongyang with militant comradeship and friendly feelings to congratulate the DPRK and its people on their great auspicious event.

Sergei Shoigu expressed his gratitude to **Kim Jong Un** for paying deep attention to the itinerary of the Russian delegation, offering it significant occasions and lavishing warm welcome on it despite his busy schedule.

Kim Jong Un, together with Sergei Shoigu, looked round the new-type weapons and equipment.

Telling the Russian defence minister about the weapons and equipment which were invented and produced under the national defence development plan set forth at the 8th Congress of the WPK and have been recently furnished to the Korean People's Army, **Kim Jong Un** shared with Sergei Shoigu comments on the worldwide trend of weaponry development and its strategy.

Having a friendly talk with the Russian defence minister, he expressed his views on the issues of mutual concern in the struggle to safeguard the sovereignty, development and interests of the two countries from the high-handed and arbitrary practices of the imperialists and to realize international justice and peace.

He repeatedly expressed belief that the Russian army and people would achieve big successes in the struggle for building a powerful country. -0-

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Grand Performance Given to Celebrate 70th Anniversary of Great War Victory

Respected Comrade Kim Jong Un Enjoys Performance with Goodwill Missions on Visit to Pyongyang

Pyongyang, July 27 (KCNA) -- A grand celebration performance was given at 00:00 on July 27, adding to the joy and excitement of celebrating the 70th anniversary of the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War shining as a symbol of heroism and justice along with its great eminence of victory in the course of the development of the dignified Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), as a grand festival of glory and succession to be specially recorded in history.

The performance venue was overflowing with the great pride and self-confidence of significantly greeting the war victory day, the holiday of the DPRK and all its people, with the priceless honor and dignity offered by the victory in the three-year war and the 70-year-long indomitable struggle for preserving that victory - 25 568 days since July 27, the historic day when the first people's country in the East, a new-born republic, won a victory in the war for repulsing the brigandish armed invasion by the U.S. imperialism, the

ringleader of the imperialists, in the middle of the 20th century called the "century of war".

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK) and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, enjoyed the performance.

Prior to enjoying the performance, he had a warm and friendly talk with Li Hongzhong, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the Chinese National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (PRC) who is on a visit to the DPRK on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the great war victory.

Li Hongzhong, member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC) and vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the Chinese National People's Congress of the PRC who is leading a Chinese party and government delegation on a visit to Pyongyang, courteously handed to the respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** a personal letter sent by Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Central Committee of the CPC and president of the PRC, on the occasion of the war victory day.

Expressing thanks for it, **Kim Jong Un** offered his heartfelt thanks to Xi Jinping.

He told Li Hongzhong that the significance of July 27, the war victory day common to the Korean and Chinese peoples, was further highlighted as they were present together to celebrate it. Noting that Xi Jinping dispatched a party and government delegation to the DPRK in the current crucial period, he said that it showed the general secretary's will to attach great importance to the DPRK-China friendship.

Saying the Korean people will never forget the fact that the brave soldiers of the Chinese People's Volunteers shed blood to bring about the war victory and their noble spirit and soul though many years have passed and generation has been replaced with new one, he affirmed that the WPK and the DPRK government will as ever strive to further strengthen the friendship and solidarity with the fraternal Chinese people and always advance hand in hand with the Chinese people in the struggle for socialism.

When **Kim Jong Un** appeared at the theatre auditorium with the heads of the delegations, stormy cheers of the audience shook the theatre.

Pretty children presented fragrant bouquets to **Kim Jong Un**.

Children presented bouquets to the heads of the delegations.

Members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, cadres of the Party, the government and the military, and the participants in the celebrations including war veterans and persons of wartime merits watched the performance.

Present there on invitation were members of the Chinese party and government delegation and the Russian military delegation.

The performance was given by leading art troupes including the State Merited Chorus, the Ensemble of the State Affairs Commission and the Wangjaesan Art Troupe, and social and military art troupes and artistes and students of art education institutions.

Put on the stage of the performance which started with overtures "Tell, Fireworks of War Victory" and "July 27, Our Victory Day", were wartime songs, hymns for the war victory, songs of faith popular during the years of succession and other numbers.

Through the immortal hymn "Cantata to Marshal **Kim Il Sung**", the performers sang highly of the greatest-ever feats of President **Kim Il Sung**, who trained the Korean people to be the strongest ones with indomitable spirit and matchless strength punishing the imperialist tyranny and made a history of miraculous war victory admired by mankind in the grim period when the U.S. imperialists, who boasted of being the world's "strongest", had gone to extremes in their arrogance and arbitrary practices and thus brought about a fierce storm of independence against imperialism and the revolution for national liberation.

When the venerable image of the President declaring victory at the military parade for celebrating the war victory was shown on the background screen along with his friendly voice resounding throughout the venue, the audience broke into loud applause with boundless reverence for the peerlessly brilliant commander who reliably protected the destiny of the country and peace of humankind by winning a great victory in the fierce anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. sacred war with his Juche-oriented military idea, outstanding strategy and tactics and iron faith and will.

"Song of National Defence", "To a Decisive Battle" and other wartime songs, which resounded all over Korea fighting against aggressors, touched the audience, bringing back the memory of the legendary years.

Through the numbers representing the endless advance by the defenders of the country under the hail of bullets and shells and their hand-to-hand combats for annihilating the enemies, and through the numbers pulsating with the patriotic passion and emotion lavished by them out of their confidence in victory during the three-year-long war woven with life and death, blood and tears and love and hatred, the performers impressively sang of what a stern death-defying resistance the heroic army and people of the DPRK waged to preserve the dignity and prestige of their country.

When Chinese and Russian serial songs specially selected for goodwill missions visiting Pyongyang were put on the stage, the audience felt their hearts overflowing with conviction and friendship that the history and traditions of friendship and solidarity formed and consolidated in the joint

struggle for independence against imperialism would be steadily carried forward and developed century after century.

The performance ended with the finale "The People Offer Glory to the Party" and "July 27, Our Victory Day".

At the end of the performance, the audience again broke into enthusiastic cheers.

Kim Jong Un warmly acknowledged their cheers, congratulating the performers on their successful performance. -0-

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