

Clear Demonstration of Will for Physical Response

Entering this year the US and its vassal forces have staged five dangerous war games including a joint air drill and US-south Korea joint military exercise in a row. To cope with their war moves that have reached the critical point, the DPRK conducted a firing drill of ICBM *Hwasongpho-17* on March 16.

The ICBM climbed up to the highest altitude of 6 045km and flew a distance of 1 000. 2km for 4 151 seconds before landing on the target area in the open waters of the East Sea of Korea.

On the 18th and 19th the country conducted its tactical nuclear operation units' combined tactical drill simulating nuclear counterattack. The launched tactical ballistic missile exploded accurately at the height of 800m above the target area on the East Sea of Korea, set in its 800km strike range.

The drills were aimed at sending the enemy a stronger warning and bringing home to them the concern over an armed conflict which became a threatening reality. And they clearly demonstrated the country's tough will for physical response.



ICBM *Hwasongpho-17* fired in a drill on March 16





ICBM *Hwasongpho-17* flying into the space



Scene from the combined tactical drill simulating nuclear counterattack staged on March 18 and 19 to demonstrate the DPRK's tougher will for physical response and send a warning to the hostile forces