

General Secretary Kim Jong Un Inspects KPA Navy Unit



Pyongyang, August 21 (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, inspected the Guards 2nd Surface Ship Flotilla of the East Sea Fleet of the Navy of the Korean People's Army (KPA) honored with the title of O Jung Hup-led 7th Regiment.

The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** was greeted by Admiral Kim Myong Sik, commander of the KPA Navy, and commanding officers of the fleet and the flotilla.

The respected Comrade **Kim Jong Un** looked back with deep emotion on the combat course of history followed by the unit associated with the great feats of our Party in leading the army.

He requested the unit to further intensify education through our Party's feats of leading the army, always set an example in preparations for combat and always take the lead in strengthening the navy.

Then he learned in detail about the state of the preparedness of warships of the surface ship flotilla for combat and war and the military service of the soldiers and the plan for updating the naval port.

After getting on the Patrol Ship No. 661 which will be on sea alert, he acquainted himself in detail with its weapons and preparations for combat, and highly praised the ship for maintaining high mobility and mighty striking power and constant preparedness for combat to cope with sudden situation.

That day he watched the seamen of the patrol ship staging a drill of launching strategic cruise missiles.

At the drill aimed to reconfirm the combat function of the ship and the feature of its missile system and make the seamen skilled at carrying out the attack mission in actual war, the ship rapidly hit target without even an error. As a result, the ship's regular posture for mobilization and offensive ability were perfectly appreciated.

Pointing to the important mission and duty of the KPA Navy for frustrating the enemy's will for war in emergency, carrying out the strategic and tactical plan of the Supreme Headquarters and defending the sovereignty and security of the country, **Kim Jong Un** advanced our Party's revolutionary policy for strengthening the Navy for making it an all-round and powerful Juche-based service group with rapidly improved combat efficiency and full modern means of surface and underwater offensive and defensive.

He said that we would put spurs to the modernization of naval weapons and equipment including the building of powerful warships and the development of shipboard and underwater weapon systems, holding fast to the line of developing the naval forces set forth at the 8th Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea, and thus achieve remarkable successes in radically improving the modernity and combat capability of the Navy in a short span of time.

He said that all the surface and underwater warship units of the Navy should thoroughly keep constant mobility and steadily increase the capability for actual war so that they can actively carry out their combat missions in the unfavorable circumstances by raising a hot wind of intensifying combat training with the viewpoint that training precisely means war preparations.

As is always emphasized, the victory or defeat in battle is attributable to the political, ideological, mental and moral superiority of the soldiers, he said, adding that what is really necessary in battle is not the numerical and technical superiority of weapons and equipment but the overwhelming ideological and spiritual strength of the soldiers who handle them. There can be neither unbeatable enemy nor failed battle for a soldier armed with the indomitable spirit, and it is important for the present generation to steadily carry forward the tradition and spirit peculiar to the KPA without an inch of deviation, he said.

He expressed belief that only victory and glory are in store for the Navy as the indomitable fighting spirit of the naval fighters of the preceding generations including heroes Kim Kun Ok and Chae Jong Bo, who have long recorded the invulnerable heroic spirit in the brilliant combat course of the Navy, inspires the sailors of the new generation to victory and the great Juche idea illuminates the course of victory.

He expressed expectation and belief that all the sailors would more firmly prepare themselves to be frontline soldiers of national defence and death-defying corps of the sea, fully displaying the spirit of devotedly defending the country, thus defending and reliably demonstrating the great reputation and honor of the heroic sailors of the preceding generation who worked miracles unprecedented in the world history of naval warfare.

Receiving his deep trust, all the service personnel of the unit pledged to firmly prepare themselves to be brave warriors who are firmly defending the sovereignty of the DPRK and the security and happiness of its people and recording the route of loyalty to the country's sea by consolidating the tremendous might of the heroic KPA Navy, bearing in mind the mission of defending the country instilled by him.