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Dear Korean Children's Union delegates,

Dear Korean Children's Union members across the country,

First of all, as we mark June 6, a special holiday for KCU members, who are a source of pleasure, pride and hope for the socialist country and are its future, I extend warm congratulations to all KCU members, reflecting the best wishes of people across the country.

I also feel very pleased that the Eighth Congress of the KCU is being held in such a splendid manner amid the great concern and expectations of our Party and people, and I offer warm greetings to the KCU delegates to the congress and all other members of the KCU.

My greetings also go to the KCU school instructors, its sub-branch teachers and parents who are making efforts to train KCU members into stout pillars of the country.

The Eighth Congress of the KCU is a significant occasion in powerfully demonstrating the daring mettle of its members, who are growing up full of spirit, bringing their beautiful dreams and happiness into bloom under the care of the Workers' Party of Korea, and in developing the KCU into the eternally glorious children's organization of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il.

Dear KCU delegates,

The KCU is a Juche-oriented revolutionary children's organization, which the great Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il founded and developed with utmost concern; it is also a mass political organization of Korean children, who are fully preparing themselves to be successors to the revolution and to the WPK and the youth league.

The glorious and proud history of the KCU is a history replete with the brilliant victory of the idea on the Juche-oriented children's movement and leadership of the great Generalissimos,

who valued and loved KCU members most and devoted their all for the rising generations.

The great Generalissimos were benevolent fathers of our KCU members, the rising generations, who mingled with the children throughout their lives and spared nothing for nurturing the country's future. As it was led by them, the Korean children's movement could advance along a straight path following our Party, just as sunflowers turn towards the sun, and KCU members could grow up happily with no one to envy in the world, as successors to the revolution who will shoulder the future of the country.

Over the past four years since the Seventh Congress of the KCU, its organizations across the country and its millions of members have lived up to the pledges they made before its flag, keeping pace with their vibrant motherland which is advancing by leaps and bounds to the wonder of the world.

The KCU's organizations have developed into lively and innovative revolutionary organizations that lead their members to cherish gratitude to the Party and their socialist country, to appreciate how precious are their organizations and collectives, and to excel at studying and in their organizational life.

Many KCU members have the untainted loyalty with which they hold the great Generalissimos in high esteem for ever; they have performed laudable deeds in devoting themselves to society, their collectives and fellows, which have moved the people and added to the country's storehouse of pride.

Today our dear KCU members are studying hard and training themselves physically and mentally, harhouring beautiful dreams and hopes for tomorrow; they are, by actively conducting various socio-political activities and do-good-deeds movements, preparing themselves to be revolutionary personnel who will exalt the brilliance of socialist Korea.

When they see the dignified appearance of the KCU's

members, the precious wealth of the country, who are enjoying boundless happiness and growing up as ardent young revolutionaries and the masters of the future, our Party and people feel the greatest pleasure and pride in waging the revolution.

Because the KCU is steadfastly carrying forward the soul of Paektu, a bright, promising future is in store for the Juche revolution, Kim Il Sung's nation and Kim Jong Il's Korea.

In the name of the WPK and on behalf of all our people, I once again offer warm congratulations to KCU members across the country who are growing up as stout pillars of a powerful socialist nation by adding lustre to the KCU's glorious traditions from one generation to the next, as well as to the KCU school instructors and its sub-branch teachers who are devoting themselves heart and soul to the bright future of our motherland.

Proud delegates and all other members of the KCU,

Today our Party, army and people, by tightening their belts, are braving every manner of trial to increase the country's strength; this death-defying, vigorous struggle is ultimately aimed at ensuring that our rising generations enjoy all the benefits of socialism in the finest country that is admired by the world.

When our dear KCU members grow up cheerfully, staunchly and valiantly as dependable pillars who will shoulder the everlasting future of our country, the inexhaustible strength of Juche Korea will increase to the maximum and the victorious advance of socialism will be accelerated.

With this Eighth Congress of the KCU as the occasion, you should swap with one another the fine experience gained in your studies, organizational life, socio-political activities and do-good-deeds movements, and make a fresh resolve and redouble your efforts.

Developing the KCU into the eternal children's organization of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il and of the WPK, and training all its members into true sons and daughters, young

revolutionaries, of our socialist country—this is the basic task facing KCU organizations at present.

KCU members should become ardent young revolutionaries who are fully conversant with how great are the Party and the leader and how precious is their motherland, and devote their all for the good of the country and the revolution.

They should always bear in mind the benevolent care the great Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il showed to ensure that they live happily with no one to envy in the world, and display infinite loyalty in holding them in high esteem as the eternal Sun of Juche.

Fully aware that the red KCU neckerchief is part of the flag of the WPK and that their dreams and ideals will come true only under this flag, they should think and act at all times and in all places true to our Party's intentions.

The anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters and the heroes of the Fatherland Liberation War and of the present Mallima era are models of a true revolutionary from whom our KCU members should learn.

By following the ennobling examples set by these revolutionary forerunners and heroes, KCU members should themselves all become fervent revolutionaries and heroes.

The basic revolutionary task facing KCU members is to prepare themselves as capable revolutionary personnel who are knowledgeable, morally sound and physically strong, pillars in the building of a powerful socialist country.

The first and foremost task for KCU members is to study well. The excellence of their school records represents the excellence of our country's future national strength.

KCU members, bearing deep in mind the earnest request of their motherland, teachers and parents, should study hard so as to build higher the tower of knowledge, and become world-class scientists and inventors.

They should possess beautiful socialist moral traits.

They should ardently love their country and fellow people, and devote their all for the sake of society, their collectives and fellows. They should respect their teachers and seniors and approach them politely, observe social order and public morality voluntarily, and be honest and upright in their daily life.

The healthy bodies of KCU members are an asset of the country. Only when KCU members grow up stoutly in good health can the country be full of vigour and become stronger.

KCU members should conduct brisk sporting activities to build up their physique and foster their courage and gallantry, and they should be skilled in more than one sporting event.

They should, by taking an active part in art group activities, improve their cultural attainments and bring their artistic talents into full bloom by singing songs, reciting poems and playing musical instruments.

They should devote their all to adding brilliance to the socialist system of our country.

They should not become self-indulgent sons and daughters who seek only their own happiness, but young patriots who, cherishing Kim Jong Il's patriotism, treasure all the assets our revolutionary forerunners created on this land at the cost of their sweat and blood, and who tend every tree and every blade of grass in their country with earnest devotion.

They should step up their various socio-political activities and do-good-deeds movements so as to encourage their fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters in their heroic struggle to build a powerful socialist country and contribute to their country's economic development.

They should hate the imperialists and other class enemies, maintain sharp revolutionary vigilance against their schemes, and prepare themselves mentally to fight, if the enemy dares to

invade the country, as bravely as the Children's Corps members did during the anti-Japanese armed struggle and the children's vanguard members in the Fatherland Liberation War.

They should, through an organizational life, improve their sense of organization and discipline and exalt the honour of being members of the glorious children's organization of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il.

The pledge they took in front of the KCU flag is the first vow they made to their motherland, and in a KCU organization they conduct the political activities through which they keep this pledge.

They should always love and treasure their organizations, observe organizational discipline on a voluntary basis and implement without fail the tasks assigned by their organizations.

It is important in training KCU members into true sons and daughters, young revolutionaries, of the socialist country to enhance the role of KCU organizations and improve the guidance over its work.

KCU organizations should ensure that their members conduct the movement to learn from the glorious childhood of the great Generalissimos and the five-point educational work effectively so that they become revolutionary organizations that are unfailingly loyal to the Party.

They should make great efforts to heighten their members' spirit of collectivism, independence and creativity, thus preparing them all to be masters who will shoulder the future of a powerful socialist country.

The youth league assumes the heavy responsibility of properly guiding KCU members who have taken the first step towards an organizational life.

It should give scrupulous guidance to the work of the KCU by taking into account its members' preparedness and psychological features; in particular, it should render positive assistance to

KCU school instructors and its sub-branch teachers so that they can steadily improve the work of the KCU with a high sense of responsibility and practical qualifications.

It should build up the ranks of KCU activists and lead them to do KCU work in an independent and creative way and to become models for other members to emulate in studying and life.

All Party members and the other working people should treasure and love the KCU's members as assets of the country and, as their educators and parents, pay close attention to their education and edification. In this way, they can ensure that all KCU members grow up as dependable pillars of the country amid the concern and care of the whole society.

Party organizations at all levels should regard KCU work as an important undertaking that has a bearing on the destiny of the country and nation and the future of our revolution, and give Party-oriented guidance to it.

Dear KCU delegates,

The future of the KCU's members is endlessly bright, and a powerful socialist country, in which the song *We Are the Happiest in the World* resounds loudly, is reserved for them.

Our Party, which foresees the bright future of the Juche revolution in the KCU's members' beautiful traits and courageous and cheerful appearance, will spare nothing for them and defend their happy laughter and bright future.

I firmly believe that all KCU members will live up to the expectations of our Party and all the people by advancing dynamically straight ahead along the path indicated by the Party, flying high the flag of the KCU.

May happiness and glory on the road await KCU members, our reliable successors and the future of our powerful motherland, socialist Korea.

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