

## On the Asian Regional Seminar on Juche Idea

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Dear Comrades and Friends,

Now, allow me to extend my hearty congratulations on your holding of the Asian Regional Seminar on the Juche Idea on the subject of “The Immortal Exploits of the Great Leader General Secretary Kim Jong Il”.

I would like to pay tribute to you who are passionately joining this Seminar being held amid the coronavirus pandemic and send you my warm greetings of solidarity.

Nowadays, it is an urgent task for the world’s people to build an ideal society by cooperating with each other for the sake of independence and peace in their own country and the rest of the world, through the establishment of a peaceful international order, the correctness of disparities and the preservation of the global environment, etc.

General Secretary Kim Jong Il was a great leader of the revolution who left behind many great achievements in the history of mankind.

In particular, it is of historical significance that he clarified the revolutionary thought of President Kim Il Sung as an integral system of idea, theory and method based on the Juche idea and gave the world people an ideological and theoretical guarantee to make their own countries independent and build a socialist and communist society.

Upholding aloft the banner of the Juche Idea, General Secretary Kim Jong Il firmly laid the foundation for building the DPRK as an independent and sovereign state unshaken by any external aggression, and then developing it into a socialist power.

General Secretary Kim Jong Il set ablaze as a mass movement the line of the three revolutions of ideology, technology and culture, which was the general line for the construction of a socialist and communist society proposed by President Kim Il Sung.

Today, the Korean people, firmly united around General Secretary Kim Jong Un, are pushing forward the three revolutions in all-local and all-society spheres of the DPRK and vigorously marching ahead along the road to a socialist power.

It is marvellous to see that the Korean people, in the face of repeated economic sanctions, natural disasters and many other difficulties, are advancing along the road to the complete victory of socialism and the realization of communism with faith in and optimism for their future.

Most notably here concerned is that General Secretary Kim Jong Un's steadfast determination to build a socialist and communist society, his outstanding leadership, and the deep love for the people that underlies his leadership.

Upholding aloft the people-first principle, General Secretary Kim Jong Un has led the Workers' Party of Korea as a motherly party to serve the people selflessly. Underlying all his actions is the idea that the popular masses are the most precious and powerful beings in the world and that they themselves are the masters to build a happy society of their own in the future.

The single-minded unity of the Korean people under the leadership of General Secretary Kim Jong Un has been brought about by the people-first principle in such a way that he himself shows examples by putting into practice the principle. We can see in such a fact the beauty of the communist society aimed at by humanity.

Further, in his speech at the Defence Development Exhibition held on October 11, 2021, General Secretary Kim Jong Un claimed that our arch-enemy is "the war itself", not south Korea, the United States or any other specific state or forces. The DPRK, which has succeeded in the simultaneous line of economic construction and defence building up, is now guiding to make the world independent and peaceful.

Indeed, General Secretary Kim Jong Un's speeches are imbued with a thought that he wishes to make the world where not only the Korean people but also the people in the world as a whole should be freed forever from sorrows and sufferings caused by wars and live in a peaceful world.

What is required now of the world including the Asian countries is to make a deep study of Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism, the guiding idea of the present era, and then clarify a new course for Asia.

I cordially wish that this Asian Regional Seminar on the Juche Idea would be an important milestone for the Asian people to realize their demands, while you, Juche Idea researchers in individual countries, would play an important role in promoting the independent development of your own countries.

Finally, concluding my speech, I would like to wish you all the participants good health and every success in your work.

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