

New Milestone for Development of DPRK-Russia Relations Respected General Secretary Kim Jong Un Has Historic Meeting with President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin at Vostochny Spaceport



Pyongyang, September 14 (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, had a historic meeting with Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, president of the Russian Federation, at the Vostochny Spaceport in Amur Oblast of the Far Eastern Region on September 13.

The traditional relations of friendship between the DPRK and the Russian Federation, consolidated in trials of history generation after generation and century after century, are further developing into the invincible comrade-in-arms relations and the ever-lasting strategic relations amid the deep friendship and special fellowship between Comrades **Kim Jong Un** and Putin.

The Vostochny Spaceport was in a warm welcoming atmosphere to greet **Kim Jong Un** paying an official goodwill visit to the Russian Federation for the new development of the DPRK-Russia friendly and cooperative relations with proudly excellent history and tradition.

The private train of **Kim Jong Un** arrived at the Vostochny Spaceport at 13:00 local time.

When he got off the train, the guard of honor of the three services of the armed forces of the Russian Federation courteously received him with deepest respect.

He exchanged greetings with Alexandr Kozlov, minister of Natural Resources and Ecology, and other Russian leading officials and headed for the venue of the meeting with President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin.

He was accompanied by Choe Son Hui, foreign minister of the DPRK, Marshals of the Korean People's Army Ri Pyong Chol and Pak Jong Chon, Kang Sun Nam, minister of National Defence of the DPRK, O Su Yong and Pak Thae Song, secretaries of the C.C., WPK, and other senior party, government and military officials and suite members.

The national flags of the DPRK and the Russian Federation were fluttering before the carrier rocket assembly and test complex where the top leaders of the DPRK and Russia would meet.

When **Kim Jong Un**, general secretary of the WPK and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK arrived, Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, president of the Russian Federation, warmly greeted him.

He gladly met and exchanged friendly greetings with President Putin.

President Putin warmly welcomed him visiting the Russian Federation again at a significant and crucial time for the development of the Russia-DPRK relations.

Expressing thanks to President Putin for warmly inviting and receiving him despite his busy schedule for leading the overall state affairs, **Kim Jong Un** said that he was pleased with the meeting being held in a very exceptional and special environment.

He, together with President Putin, visited the Vostochny Spaceport.

He was guided by Yuri Borisov, general manager of the Russian state-run corporation Roscosmos, and Nikolai Nestechuk, director general of the Center for the Operation of Ground-based Space Infrastructure.

The Vostochny Spaceport is a comprehensive space launching base of Russia that has contributed to the remarkable growth of space development by successfully ensuring the launches of space capsules and satellites for different applications, playing an important role in promoting the socio-economic development of Amur Oblast and the Far Eastern Region.

Visiting the carrier rocket assembly and test complex, together with President Putin, **Kim Jong Un** was briefed on the detailed technical features of Soyuz-2, Angara and other type carrier rockets and their assembling and launching processes.

He also looked round the Soyuz-2 carrier rocket launching complex and the Angara carrier rocket launching complex under construction, being told about the state of their operation and construction, successes and experience gained by Russia in the field of space industry and the prospects for future development.

Highly appreciating the fact that the Vostochny Spaceport, successfully built under the strategic space development plan of President Putin, has achieved invaluable successes, he sincerely hoped that the noble spirit and traditions of strong Russia which explored the path to space would be successfully carried forward.

He expressed deep thanks to President Putin for personally organizing the visit to the important spaceport with sincerity and accompanying him during the visit.

Putin showed his private car to **Kim Jong Un** before having a warm talk.

Kim Jong Un left his autograph in the visitor's book - "The glory of Russia that produced the first conquerors of space will be immortal. **Kim Jong Un** 2023. 9. 13".