

Theoretical Foundation on Regional Independence Clarified by Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism

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Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism elucidated the original idea on regional independence. President **Kim Il Sung** said.

“In order to realize humanity’s common cause of building an independent new world which is free from domination, subjugation, aggression and war, the Asian people must first of all make Asia independent.”

Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism that lights the way of independent development for humanity expounded the meaning of regional independence, its significance in realizing the global independence and the law-governed process of realizing regional independence.

First of all, **Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism** expounded the meaning of the regional independence.

Regional independence means that all regions including Asia, Africa, Europe and Latin America are not obedient to any power or dominating force but advance thoroughly toward independence. In other words, it means that all the regions not only defend independence in politics but achieve self-support in economy and safeguard their regional peace, stability and security by relying on their own military capabilities.

Next, **Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism** expounded the weighty significance of regional independence in realizing the global independence.

The process of making all regions in the world independent is that of making the whole world independent.

When the international relationship based on independence is established among states of a region and the regional society is democratized, through the regional independence, circumstances and conditions favorable for the independent development of countries and nations in the region are provided.

Regional independence creates circumstances and conditions favorable for independence of other regions and countries. In particular, making an important region, a developed region independent has great influence upon the work of making all other regions independent and making the whole world independent.

Making the whole world independent is dynamically propelled through the process of making a region independent.

Making the whole world independent is not realized at once on the worldwide scale. It is realized through accelerating the work of making a country and nation independent and hastening the work of making all regions in the world independent.

If all regions are made independent, even a big power can become weak and there will be no country suffering from its hard line and tyranny. The more the work of making a region independent is in full force, the more immediately the global independence is realized.

Next, **Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism** expounded a law-governed process of making a region independent.

Regional independence is realized through the law-governed process of gaining political independence of the region and strengthening the might of economic self-sustenance, with the concerted unity and struggle of the countries in the region and safeguarding the regional peace, stability and security with its own military capabilities in the region.

In essence, making the region independent is the struggle to realize the political independence of the region.

Political independence of a region is realized through the bilateral and multilateral support and solidarity, consistent contacts and trips, dialogues and collaborations between the states of the region.

Regional independence is not realized only with the effort of a certain country or some countries in the region. It can be realized only when all countries and nations in the region struggle with concerted efforts.

The states in the region achieve political independence of the region in a unified way by founding regional organization and enhancing its role constantly.

Regional independence is realized through the law-governed process of strengthening the might of economic self-sustenance in the countries and regions through the close exchange and cooperation among the countries and nations in the region.

Economic subordination is precisely political subordination. Countries and nations in a region should strengthen exchange and cooperation in the spirit of helping each other, thus developing economy and lay solid material and technical foundation. Only then they can stand on their own footing in economy, defend political independence of the countries and nations and guarantee political independence of the region.

Founding sub-regional and regional economic communities or organizations and constantly activating exchange and cooperation through them serve as an important way for rejecting economic subordination by other countries or regions and strengthening the might of economic self-sustenance.

Might of economic independence become stronger and regional independence is hastened with the founding of economic organizations and the increasing of their role.

Regional independence is realized in the law-governed process of defending the regional peace, stability and security with its own efforts by strengthening the self-defensive military capability.

Self-defensive military capability serves as the military guarantee for independence.

Self-defensive military capability should be strengthened in order to realize independence in the present world in which the US imperialists and reactionaries are making desperate moves to realize their ambition for world domination.

Regional independence is achieved in the law-governed process of conducting struggle with the concerted efforts of the progressive political parties and organizations in a region.

Masters of realizing regional independence are the people in a region and the progressive political parties and organizations that represent the people's will.

The progressive political parties and organizations in each country accelerate the independence of their countries by mobilizing the people and dynamically push ahead with the regional independence in close relationship with the progressive political parties and organizations in the region. Regional independence is achieved by the concerted action of the progressive political parties and organizations aspiring after independence.

The joint struggle of the countries in a region for regional independence is accompanied with fierce struggle with the imperialist dominating forces.

However desperately the imperialist dominating forces move to infringe upon the independence of other countries and regions, the tendency of progressive people for independence cannot be disturbed.

Independence is truth and justice, and global independence is the law governing history.

Long live the immortal torchlight, **Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism!**