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MAKING SELFLESS, DEVOTED EFFORTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE PEOPLE IS THE MODE OF EXISTENCE AND SOURCE OF INVINCIBLE MIGHT OF THE WORKERS' PARTY OF KOREA

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70th Anniversary of the Founding of the Workers' Party of Korea

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Heroic officers and men of the Korean People's Army and the Korean People's Internal Security Forces,

Officers and men of the units participating in the military parade held in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the founding of the glorious Workers' Party of Korea,

Members of the Worker-Peasant Red Guards and Young Red Guards,

Respected Pyongyang citizens,

Party members and other working people across the country,

Overseas compatriots and foreign friends,

Comrades,

Today, with great pride in and joy of being victors, we are greeting the October holiday, flying high the flag of the Workers' Party of Korea.

For our country and people, October 10 is a significant revolutionary holiday when they celebrate the founding anniversary of the genuine vanguard of the revolution, its militant General Staff, which has taken responsibility for their destiny and is leading them.

Today's grand military and civilian parade will fully display the inexhaustible strength which our Party has built up over the past 70 years in the course of leading the service personnel and people. It will also demonstrate to the whole world the revolutionary spirit of all our service personnel and people who, full of courage and conviction, are advancing towards a bright future, united solidly around the Workers' Party of Korea.

Availing myself of this significant opportunity when we are proudly looking back on the sacred history of the Workers' Party of Korea that is resplendent with victory and glory, and reflecting the boundless reverence and loyalty of the millions of members of our Party and all service personnel and people, I would like to extend the noblest respect and infinite glory to the

great Comrade **Kim Il Sung** who founded our glorious Party and the great Comrade **Kim Jong Il** who is the eternal General Secretary of our dignified Workers' Party of Korea.

My noble respect goes also to our anti-Japanese revolutionary forerunners, the martyrs of the People's Army and other patriotic martyrs who dedicated everything that was precious to them to promoting the development of our Party and the prosperity of the country in loyal support of the great leaders.

Our people, with unfailing loyalty to the Party, have overcome all the challenges and difficulties in the red revolutionary spirit of Paektu in order to glorify the 70th anniversary of its founding as a revolutionary, auspicious event, thereby performing unequalled feats of labour and preparing gifts dedicated to their motherly Party.

As I stand in this square of victors, the venue for the celebrations, which is brimming over with our people's fervent loyalty, I am so grateful that this venue of today would have been unimaginable without them, and at this moment I am seeing the dear people with deep respect.

Our Party has been able to propel the revolution forward over the past 70 years without flinching, whatever the storms, achieving only victory and glory, because this great people have entrusted their destiny entirely to it and followed it in faithful support of its cause.

The history of our Party is the path travelled by our great people, its might is their might, its greatness is their greatness, and its victory is the victory they have won.

On the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Party I, on behalf of the Workers' Party of Korea, extend warm thanks and make a deep bow to all the beloved people who have infused our Party with inexhaustible strength and courage and remained faithful to it in even the gravest period of the revolution, sharing weal and woe with it in overcoming the harsh trials of history by dint of their unyielding willpower.

My heartfelt congratulations and warm thanks go to our trustworthy Party members, heroic officers and men of the People's Army and laudable young vanguard who, in hearty response to the Party's appeal, have worked with patriotic devotion and created one heroic miracle after another, reducing ten years to one, on all the fronts where a thriving socialist nation is being built, so as to proudly enter the venue of the grand festival of victors.

At the same time I warmly welcome our overseas compatriots and foreign friends who are here to congratulate our people on this auspicious day.

Comrades,

The history of the Workers' Party of Korea is that of the proud course it has travelled shouldering the destiny of the people and leading the Korean revolution to victory under the guidance of the great leaders.

President **Kim Il Sung** and General **Kim Jong Il** built it into an invincible revolutionary party, a genuine political leadership organization, which serves the people and advances in unity with the masses; as such it is the first of its kind in history.

Having inscribed a hammer, a sickle and a writing brush on its red flag, our Party has never been separated from the people and has always advanced the revolution by believing in them as in heaven.

History records no revolution like ours that has braved at every step the grave trials and adversities decisive of its success in such an arduous and complicated situation.

The new Korea was very young, but the US imperialists, hell-bent on world supremacy, forced a devastating war upon it; when we were rebuilding the country on the debris with so much effort tightening our belts, they presented a fresh threat of aggression; and when we were trying to develop our national economy, they blocked our road by imposing sanctions and a blockade that were unprecedented in history.

Despite all the difficulties, our Party has consistently charged forward with iron nerves in every adversity, ushered in a new age of epoch-making changes on this land, and scored one great victory after another.

In the whirlwind of history, our Party has trusted our great people alone, and they have been its only supporters, advisers and assistants.

The history of the world revolutionary movement teaches us the lesson that irrespective of whether it is in power or has a long history, the leadership authority and fighting efficiency of a party do not rise of their own accord, nor can it automatically lead the revolution effectively.

The high authority our Party enjoys today and the great exploits it has performed are the fruition of the brilliant revolutionary ideas and outstanding leadership of the great President and General, who formulated the revolution as the affection for and trust in the people and fully applied this concept to its building and activities.

That it has struck deep root in the people's mind and served them alone with devotion—herein lies the secret of our Party's leading the cause of independence, Songun and socialism without letup in the face of the tribulations of history while maintaining a firm grip on the tiller of the revolution.

The Workers' Party of Korea is an invincible one that has achieved unity with the masses of the people.

In the whole period of leading the revolution, our Party has, whenever it was trying to identify the course it must follow and whenever it faced grave trials, called on the people first, listened to their opinions, though simple, and drawn unquenchable courage from their sincerity.

The creative strength of the omnipotent masses was the source of the great miracles our Party worked while building a powerful socialist bulwark that was independent, self-supporting and self-reliant in national defence, on this land where centuries-old backwardness and poverty prevailed and ushering in a new era of building a powerful country in the face of the pernicious blockade imposed by the imperialists.

Bearing full responsibility for the political integrity and material and cultural life of the people and taking care of them has been a matter of paramount importance for our Party and a mission it cannot neglect even for a moment.

Our Party, even in the worst situation when the country's destiny was in the balance, has prepared precious seeds and socialist assets for the happiness of the people through painstaking efforts and invariably pursued people-oriented policies; this is an expression of the politics of love for the people that can be administered only by our Party that has shouldered the responsibility for their destiny.

As our Party has always regarded the masses of the people as the root of its life and as the source of its inexhaustible strength and given top and absolute priority to their interests, our people have followed it, believing in it as the genuine guiding light of their destiny and as their mother, and a grand flower garden of single-hearted unity has made its proud appearance on this land.

Comrades,

The might of the Workers' Party of Korea which is struggling on behalf of the people lies in the fact that it has powerful revolutionary armed forces.

Our people have keenly realized the truth that a nation without arms is destined to be ruined and that the people's dignity and happiness are guaranteed by revolutionary arms.

Our Party has always channelled primary efforts into building invincible military might with which it can fully defend the security of the people and their lives and property.

Thanks to our Party's original line of self-reliant defence and Songun politics, the People's Army has been developed into an elite revolutionary army that is capable of defeating any aggressor forces at a stroke, and the all-people and all-country defence system has been consolidated steadily, with the result that our country has now become an impregnable fortress and a world-class military power.

Our revolutionary armed forces have always been a powerful and valuable weapon in defending the country, the revolution and the people, and a mighty vanguard force and shock brigade in bringing about the country's prosperity and people's happiness.

In the course of organically combining the defence of the country with socialist construction after putting forward the line of promoting economic construction and building up the defence

capabilities in parallel, our Party gained valuable experience in radically increasing the overall national strength by itself and, at the same time, improving the people's standard of living, even though everything was in short supply.

In direct confrontation with the high-handed US imperialists who have grown fat on aggression and war, our service personnel and other people have inflicted one ignominious defeat after another on them and are forcefully overcoming the brigandish sanctions and blockade imposed by the imperialist forces. Their indomitable spirit and strength of unity strike extreme anxiety and fear into the enemy.

Today our Party can proudly state that our revolutionary armed forces are capable of fighting any type of war the US imperialists may resort to, and have made full preparations for firmly defending the blue skies of the country and the security of the people.

Comrades,

A source of unique pride for the Workers' Party of Korea is the large contingent of young people who have been trained to shoulder the future of the revolution and the nation.

Foreseeing the protracted nature of the revolution in the initial period after its founding, our Party made it a strategic line to attach importance to young people and has trained them into warriors who will implement the cause of the Juche revolution.

The whole Party has shown constant concern for educating young people and boldly tasked the youth league with large projects. Under the trust and affection of the Party that has put them forward as its young vanguard our young people have volunteered in every period of the revolution to serve at the posts of national defence and to work in difficult and challenging sectors, and displayed their youthful wisdom and courage to the full.

That our revolution is still advancing vigorously filled with unflagging energy and vitality without stagnation and marking time is because it has a steel-strong legion of young people who always march straight ahead, following the Party.

The proud and grand youth monuments in various parts of the country, including the Paektusan Hero Youth Power Station which our young people have recently completed by devoting their patriotic sweat and dedicated to the 70th anniversary of Party founding, graphically show how the reserve force of the Workers' Party of Korea is being prepared and how the lineage of the Korean revolution is being carried forward.

Because our Party has spared nothing for young people, our country has now greeted a fresh heyday in the youth movement and is demonstrating its might as the one and only great youth power, in which an ideal solution has been found for the youth problem.

The historical course our Party has travelled leading the Korean revolution to victory through thick and thin eloquently proves that there is nothing to be afraid of and there is nothing

impossible if the people are faithful to their party and if there are a powerful revolutionary army and large contingent of young people.

The lifeblood of a revolutionary party, its strength and its bright future are dependent on attaching importance to the people, to the army and to young people—this is just the invaluable conclusion to be drawn from the 70-year history of our Party.

By continuing to hold fast to the three-point strategy of attaching importance to the people, to the army and to young people as its foremost weapon, our Party will advance forward vigorously towards final victory and accomplish the Korean revolution.

Comrades,

The Workers' Party of Korea organizes and guides all the victories of our people.

The infinite glory and invincibility of our Party originate from holding up the great President and General as its eternal leaders and enjoying the absolute support and trust of all the Korean people.

If our Party is to lead Korea to a bright future, it must invariably defend its revolutionary nature as the party of the great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism both in name and in reality, and exalt its brilliance in every way.

The great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism is, in essence, the people-first principle, and the mode of existence of our Party is serving the people.

True to the ennobling intentions of the great President and General who implemented for the first time in history the politics of prioritizing, respecting and loving the people and devoted their all throughout their lives to the good of the people, our Party will, in the future, too, strive to add glory to the sacred history of the people-first principle.

The whole Party will conduct its building and activities only as instructed by the great President and General, and make selfless, devoted efforts for the benefit of the people by thoroughly applying the people-first principle to its overall work, thereby enhancing its fighting efficiency in every way possible.

The genuine features of the Workers' Party of Korea will be expressed in the appearance of the country that is transformed under its leadership and in the looks of the people who are always smiling happily.

Nothing is more precious than the people, as they constitute the foundation of the country, and nothing is more sacred than their interests.

Our Party will cherish the people's sincere loyalty to it as the greatest asset of the revolution and bring earlier everything splendid in the future by shouldering all the burdens and clearing a thorny path for the sake of our brave, resourceful and beautiful people.

It will, in the future, too, endeavour to fulfil its heavy yet sacred mission as a motherly party that, full of infinite vitality and untiring zeal, invariably works with affection for the people and devotes its all to their interests. It will also remain boundlessly faithful to its basic duty of taking full responsibility for their destiny, whatever the storms.

The Korean revolution is advancing not by dint of any mysterious divine power but on the great strength of our people, including the heroic working class of **Kim Il Sung** and **Kim Jong Il**, who are following and safeguarding their Party with a single mind.

The Party respects and believes in the people as in heaven and regards them as its mentors, and they boundlessly trust and follow it as they would do their own mothers—this single-hearted unity is precisely the true appearance of Korea and the great foundation of the Songun revolution.

Our officials should instill in their hearts the Party's intention of respecting the people and its affection for them, be infinitely courteous to them and clear a path, whether it be snowy or muddy, to realize all their wishes. In this way they can ensure that cheering for the Workers' Party, for the single-hearted unity and for socialism resounds throughout the country.

It is our Party's belief that all its members, the service personnel and the working people, regarding their workplaces, military posts and villages as part of the garden of the offices of its Central Committee and always sharing their innermost thoughts with it, will fully display their unstained loyalty and patriotism in the effort to implement its ideas and defend its policies.

Comrades,

Our Party will make proactive and persevering efforts to bring earlier the bright day of national reunification, the greatest wish of the Korean nation, resolutely frustrating all the various obstructive schemes by foreign forces by dint of single-hearted unity and Songun.

Comrades,

As the working people exist eternally, so lasting justice and victory will be ensured by the struggle for the people and together with the people.

Regarding as its guiding light the noble ideas and achievements of the great President and General who devoted their whole life to training the people by believing in them as in heaven and exalted the brilliance of Korea, our Party will continue to love the people and fight for them, and strive to translate their beautiful dreams and ideals into reality.

No challenges of history or frantic attempts by the enemy will ever check the advance of our service personnel and other people, who have achieved unity with the Party, nor can the enemy slow the fighting speed of the Korean people who are rushing forward towards a bright future, regarding the Party's revolutionary ideology and the blizzards of Paektu as the motive power for their advance and the red flag of our dignified Party as their sail.

The world will clearly see how the Workers' Party of Korea gives full play to the strength and wisdom of our great people and builds a great Paektusan nation, which will be the most prosperous and powerful on this planet.

As the great Workers' Party of Korea that believes in the people as in heaven, the people who are one and the same with the name of our sacred revolution and its 70 years of victory, is the locomotive leading the revolution and holds the switch weight of history, the avenue of the cause of the Juche revolution will always be adorned with victory and glory.

I appeal to all Party members.

Let us all make selfless, devoted efforts for the good of our great people.

Long live the great Korean people, united single-heartedly around the invincible party, the Workers' Party of Korea!