Juche Idea - Priceless Heritage Left by President Kim Il Sung

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April 15, 2022 marks the 110th birth anniversary of Comrade Kim Il Sung, the eternal President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The year when the President was born, 1912, back then didn't seem too bright for the Koreans, in fact it was a very hard time for them, when their nation were subject to untold misfortune and pain.

Just two years earlier, in August 1910, the Japanese imperialists fabricated the "Korea-Japan Annexation Treaty" to fully establish their colonial rule over Korea. Deprived of their country the Korean people were constantly exposed to terrible mistreatment and humiliation. However, the future proved that the year 1912 brought them unprecedentedly and miraculously happy event, the birth of their great leader and liberator who changed the fate of their motherland and saved them from their sufferings. It was the birth of the peerlessly great man who performed tremendous feats for the cause of global independence and socialism and provided great ideas to the world progressives, devoting his all to the Korean and the world progressive people.

One of the great exploits of President Kim Il Sung is creation of the Juche idea, the ideology that today enables citizens of the DPRK to vigorously strive for the building of a happy, prosperous and powerful country and inspires people around the world. The Juche idea teaches that the masses of the people are the master of the revolution and construction and have the strength to push them. Its guiding principles strongly state that in those processes independent stand should be maintained and creative methods should be employed.

The President explained to a Japanese journalist in 1972: "Establishing Juche means that the people approach the revolution and construction in their own country as masters. In other words, it means the embodiment of independence and creativity; the people must adopt an independent and creative stand in order to solve all the problems arising from the revolution and construction mainly by themselves in the context of their own country's actual conditions."

President Kim Il Sung created the Juche idea in the course of struggle for opening up a new path for the Korean revolution. He clarified the principles of the Juche idea for the first time in the historic speech "The Path of the Korean Revolution" at the Meeting of Leading Personnel of the Young Communist League and the Anti-Imperialist Youth League in June 1930. The Juche idea became an invaluable treasure, proverbial lighthouse indicating the path for the Korean people at every stage of their struggle. The Juche idea was later developed in depth by Chairman Kim Jong Il and is further enriched and developed by the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Today the DPRK applies the Juche idea in all fields, firmly adhering to the principles of independence in politics, self-support in the economy and self-defence in national defence. Under the

wise leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, the socialist cause of Juche is dynamically advancing toward a fresh higher stage, even in the face of the worst-ever difficulties.

In 2008 then president of the US George W. Bush admitted – in a kind of boasting tone - that "North Korea is the most sanctioned nation in the world". Since then multiple sets of anti-DPRK economic sanctions have been added what resulted in nearly total blockade of legitimate foreign trade of the country. It's a shameful reality of this world that the forces hostile to the DPRK people managed to impose on them totally unfair and unjust sanctions, including those of the UN Security Council. But even in face of these harsh circumstances, this country is realizing amazing grand projects for the people. For example currently constructions of tens of thousands of flats are under way in Pyongyang. And, recently, in the far north, Samjiyon City, beautiful and modern city, has been completed. And these are only some examples out of many more. For outside observers like us it is startling that all those things are possible in the country burdened with imperialists' sanctions so heavily unlike other states on the face of the earth. However, I would dare to say that the secret of these successes lies politics ofindependence ofin the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un which prioritizes the interests of the people and is based on self-reliance.

Led by him, the great DPRK people are able to perform world-startling miracles not only without any external help, but even while being under heinous and draconian economic sanctions.

President Kim II Sung always lived up to the motto "The people are my God". Today the

respected Comrade Kim Jong Un also lives according to the same motto and he stressed the need for the whole Party to deeply cherish this ideal.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un's outstanding leadership is vigorously leading the cause of socialism to ensure a rosy future of the cause of Juche and thus guarantees the happiness of his beloved people.

The Juche idea is the priceless heritage left by the President, an invaluable treasure that brings beautiful prosperity under the wise guidance of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.