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The Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea Has Been Convened in Grand Style As a Glorious Meeting to Be Worthy of Note in the History of the Great Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist Party

FRONT COVER: Front of the building where the Seventh Congress of the WPK has been held *Photo: Ri Kwang Song*

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Opening Address at the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea

Kim Jong Un, First Secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, delivers opening address at the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea
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Dear delegates,

Today we are holding the historic Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea amid the grand struggle in which the whole Party, the entire army and all the people, filled with iron nerves and confidence to achieve the final victory of the Juche revolution as soon as possible, are making an all-out, general onward march courageously, thwarting all manner of threats and desperate challenges by the imperialists.

Reflecting the infinite loyalty and ardent reverence of delegates, Party members, service personnel and all other people across the country, I would like first to extend the noblest tribute and greatest glory to the great Comrades Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il who are the founder and builder of the WPK, incarnations of the mightiness of the invincible WPK, and eternal leaders of our Party and people.

Comrades,

During the period under review our Party and people have waged a sacred yet arduous struggle to defend socialism and propel the cause of the Juche revolution victoriously under the wise leadership of the great President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il.

In this period our Party's ranks have been deprived of such anti-Japanese revolutionary war veterans as Kim Il, Choe Hyon, O Paek Ryong, O Jin U, Choe Kwang, Rim Chun Chu, Pak Song Chol, Jon Mun Sop and Ri Ul Sol, who, holding the great leaders in high esteem, devoted themselves entirely to the country and people on the long road of the Juche revolution.

And they have been bereft of many faithful revolutionary comrades, including Ho Tam, Yon Hyong Muk, Kim Jung Rin, Ho Jong Suk, Kim Kuk Thae, Kim Yong Sun, Kim Yang Gon, Jon Pyong Ho, Pak Song Bong, Ri Chan Son, Ri Je Gang, Ri Yong Chol, Kang Ryang Uk, Ri Jong Ok, Kim Rak Hui and An Tal Su, who worked with devotion for the strengthening and development of our Party and the victory of the socialist cause.

We have also lost Jo Myong Rok, Kim Kwang Jin, Kim Tu Nam, Jon Jae Son, Yun Chi Ho, Ri Tong Chun, Kim Ha Gyu, Ri Jin Su, Sim Chang Wan and other precious comrades-in-arms in the Songun revolution who performed heroic exploits in the struggle to strengthen and develop the revolutionary armed forces.

In addition, Ri Sung Gi, Im Rok Jae, Chon Se Bong, Paek In Jun, Yu Won Jun, Ri Sang Byok, Pak Yong Sun and other academicians, professors, doctors, writers, People's Artistes and People's Athletes, who lent all their energies and wisdom to developing science, culture and the arts, and sports, and Han Tok Su, Choe Tok Sin, Ri In Mo, Rim Hon Sik, Kim Kwang Thaek and other unforgettable revolutionary comrades and pro-reunification, patriotic figures passed away.

These people devoted their all unsparingly to the victory of the cause of the Juche revolution, reunification of the country and national prosperity, in loyal support of the WPK and the leader, the brilliant victory of our revolution and the present glory of the socialist country are attributable to their priceless blood and self-sacrifice.

To the memory of the anti-Japanese revolutionary war veterans, patriotic martyrs, unforgettable revolutionary comrades-in-arms of our Party and pro-reunification, patriotic figures who laid down their precious lives in the struggle for socialist construction, national reunification and the cause of global independence, I propose to observe a minute's silence.

Comrades,

The Seventh Congress of the WPK has been convened at a historic time when the phase of leap forward in implementing the cause of the Juche revolution is being opened up.

The last decades since the Sixth Congress of the WPK were characterized by grim struggle and glorious victory on the part of our Party and people.

During the period under review the situation of our revolution was very grave and complex.

In the unprecedentedly hard times when the world socialist system collapsed and the allied imperialist forces concentrated their anti-socialist offensive on our Republic, our Party and people were compelled to fight against them single-handed.

The imperialists strained the situation constantly for decades to keep our people from living at peace even for a moment and blocked all the pathways to economic development and existence through all manner of blockade, pressure and sanctions.

In the face of harsh and manifold difficulties and ordeals and the hardships and sufferings worse than those during a war, our Party and people were united more firmly around the Central Committee of the WPK, holding the President and the General in high esteem as the centre of unity and leadership, and made strenuous efforts to defend and advance the socialist cause, following only the revolutionary line of Juche put forward by the great leaders as they braved the storm of history without the slightest hesitation or vacillation.

As there were the wise leadership of the President and the General and the might of single-hearted unity of the WPK, the army and the people around the leader, we were able to etch proud victories in history, smashing the schemes of the allied imperialist forces to stifle the Republic at every step and safeguarding the red flag of socialism and the gains of the revolution to the last.

During the period under review, the WPK embodied the Juche-oriented line of party building of General Kim Jong Il to become a powerful body, ideologically pure and organizationally integrated, in which oneness has been achieved in ideology and leadership and to develop into a motherly party assuming the responsibility for the destiny of the masses of the people, an ever-victorious party with seasoned and sophisticated art of leadership and a steel-strong and promising revolutionary party.

This year when the Seventh Congress of the WPK is held, our service personnel and people achieved great successes in the first hydrogen bomb test and the launch of earth observation satellite *Kwangmyongsong 4* which served as landmarks in the nation's history spanning 5 000 years, thus raising the dignity and might of Juche Korea to the highest level possible; in high spirits, they conducted a dynamic 70-day campaign of loyalty to perform great feats and make unprecedented labour successes in all fields of socialist construction.

All the service personnel and people throughout the country displayed the spirit of carrying out the policies of the WPK to the death in response to its militant call for launching the 70-day campaign, thereby making the greatest successes and leap forward in all sectors of the national economy and achieving the brilliant result of exceeding the targets of the campaign set by the WPK.

During the campaign, the electric-power, coal-mining and metallurgical industries and rail transport sector strove hard for increased output and transport to bring about a surge in production, and many units in different sectors of the national economy including the machine-building, chemical, building-materials and light industries and agriculture raised a strong wind to ensure modernization and domestic production of our style and bring about an upswing in production, thus making the distinguished achievement of carrying out the first half-year and yearly national economic plans ahead of schedule.

Our heroic working class of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il, scientists and technicians waged an unyielding struggle on the principle of giving priority to self-development to develop and manufacture new machines and equipment based on local efforts and technology, thereby presenting them as gifts to the Congress of the motherly Party. Others across the country wonderfully completed lots of major construction projects, which will be highly conducive to developing the economy and improving the people's living standards, in a short span of time before the Congress to send reports of loyalty to the Central Committee of the WPK.

Those in the defence science sector that played a magnificent prelude to this meaningful year with a thrilling explosion of Juche Korea's first hydrogen bomb went on to create momentous miracles in defending our national dignity and sovereignty, thus topping off the 70-day campaign and opening wide the door to the Seventh Congress of the WPK, full of pride in being victors.

All sectors and all units, burning their hearts with ardent loyalty to the WPK and extraordinary patriotic enthusiasm, sped up the grand revolutionary march to celebrate the Seventh Congress of the WPK as a glorious meeting of victors. This fully demonstrated the firm faith and will of our service personnel and people who are triumphantly building a thriving nation before the eyes of the world by smashing the hostile forces' vicious manoeuvres geared to sanctions and strangulation, and displayed to the world the indomitable spirit, daring grit and inexhaustible strength of heroic Korea.

The numerous eye-opening events that happened one after another in the run-up to the meaningful Congress of the WPK–all these achievements are permeated with the precious sweat, ardent passion and unassuming effort of the Party members who have always thrown in their lot with the WPK and adorned the golden age of socialist construction with uninterrupted revolutionary upsurges.

I would like to extend heartfelt thanks and militant greetings, on behalf of the Central Committee of the WPK, to all the delegates, Party members, service personnel of the Korean People's Army and other people, who have adorned the sacred history of the WPK with hot blood and sweat of patriotism and made a great contribution to celebrating the Seventh Congress of the WPK as a meeting of victory and glory by clasping the weapons of revolution, hammer, sickle and writing brush with a burning conviction to travel one road for ever following our Party.

On the occasion of our Party's significant Congress my warm greetings go to the Anti-Imperialist National Democratic Front, Korean Social Democratic Party, Chondoist Chongu Party, south Korean people, the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan and other overseas Koreans' organizations and all the compatriots abroad that are working hard for the country's reunification and prosperity.

On behalf of the Congress of the WPK, I also extend warm thanks and greetings to political parties and organizations, Juche idea study groups, friendship and solidarity organizations and personages from all walks of life in different countries of the world and representatives of diplomatic missions and international organizations in the DPRK, that have rendered positive support and encouragement to our revolution and sent congratulatory messages, letters and baskets of flowers to the Seventh Congress of the WPK.

Comrades,

The Seventh Congress of the WPK will sum up the brilliant successes and invaluable experience our Party and people have gained during the period under review and put forward the strategic line and tasks to keep ushering in a great golden age of socialist construction and the direction of advance of our revolution.

This Congress of the WPK will be a historic occasion for setting up another milestone in the struggle for the development of the glorious Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist Party and the accomplishment of the cause of socialism.

3 467 delegates have the right to vote in this Congress and 200 delegates have the right to address it; all of them are present here as they have been elected at the conferences of the WPK at different levels.

Among them 1 545 are delegates of Party officials and political workers, 719 delegates of service personnel, 423 delegates of state administrative and economic officials, 52 delegates of officials of working people's organizations, 112 delegates of officials in the sectors of science, education, public health, culture and the arts and the mass media, 786 delegates of hardcore Party members involved in field labour, six anti-Japanese revolutionary war veterans and 24 former unconverted long-term prisoners.

Of them 315 are women.

Present at the Congress are also 1 387 observers.

Fully convinced that this Congress of the WPK will perform its work satisfactorily backed up by high political enthusiasm of all delegates to be a historic meeting that will leave an outstanding mark on the development of our Party and revolution and a meeting for general advance to hasten the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution, I declare the Seventh Congress of the WPK open.

The Seventh Congress of the WPK, which unfolded an ambitious blueprint for new struggles and advances for building a thriving socialist nation and achieving final victory, took place with splendour in Pyongyang last May. It was attended by delegates with the rights to vote and address elected at the provincial Party conferences and officials of the Party, armed forces and power organs, economic bodies, working people's organizations and those in the fields of science, education, public health, literature and the arts and the mass media nominated at the provincial Party conferences as observers.

Also present there were congratulatory groups of the Korean residents in Japan and the General Association of Koreans in China for celebrating the Seventh Congress of the WPK.

Amid the playing of welcome music Kim Jong Un, First Secretary of the WPK, appeared on the platform.

The moment thunderous clapping of hands and cheers of hurrah burst out, in hearty welcome of Kim Jong Un who is adding eternal brilliance to the great history and traditions of the building of a revolutionary party of the Juche type and ushering in a great heyday of national prosperity with his clairvoyant wisdom and unexcelled leadership.

Kim Jong Un made an opening address.

In his address, reflecting the infinite loyalty and ardent reverence of the delegates, Party members, service personnel of the Korean People's Army and all other people across the country, he extended the noblest tribute and greatest glory to Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il, who are the founder and the builder of the WPK, incarnations of the mightiness of the invincible WPK, and eternal leaders of the Party and people.

He proposed that all the participants in the Congress should observe a moment's silence to the memory of the anti-Japanese revolutionary war veterans, patriotic martyrs, officials, working people and pro-reunification patriotic figures who laid down their precious lives in the struggle for socialist construction, national reunification and the cause of global independence in loyal support of the guidance of the Party and the leader.

National anthem was played when he declared the opening of the Congress.

The Congress elected its presidium.

The Congress elected Kim Jong Un to its presidium in reflection of the unanimous will and desire of all Party members, KPA service personnel and other people across the country.

Delegates who had performed distinguished services in the struggle to accomplish the cause of building a thriving socialist country took the platform.

Invited were Kim Yong Dae, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Social Democratic Party, Yun Jong Ho, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Chondoist Chongu Party, Jo Il Min, representative of the Pyongyang Mission of the Anti-Imperialist National Democratic Front, Pu Yong Uk, head of the congratulatory group of Koreans in Japan, Cha Sang Bo, head of the congratulatory group of the General Association of Koreans in China.

It was introduced that congratulatory messages and banners were sent to Kim Jong Un by the Central Committee of the Anti-Imperialist National Democratic Front, the Central Standing Committee of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan and the General Association of Koreans in China. It was also introduced that the Central Committee of the Korean Social Democratic Party and the Central Committee of the Chondoist Chongu Party sent congratulatory messages and banners to the Party Congress.

Also introduced were congratulatory messages, letters, floral baskets, gifts, medals, honorary titles and diplomas presented to Kim Jong Un by heads of party and state, political parties, organizations, Juche idea study groups and figures of all social standings from different countries, diplomatic and military attaches corps, economic and commercial councilors corps, diplomatic envoys and representatives of international organizations in the DPRK.

Introduced at the Congress were congratulatory messages, letters and floral baskets sent to the Seventh Congress and the Central Committee of the WPK by foreign political parties and heads of parties, friendship and solidarity bodies, Juche idea study groups and personages from various circles.

The Congress elected its secretariat.

Pu Yong Uk, head of the congratulatory group of Koreans in Japan, and Cha Sang Bo, head of the congratulatory group of Koreans in China, read congratulatory messages to Kim Jong Un from the Central Standing

Committee of the General Association of Korean Residents in Japan and the General Association of Koreans in China, followed by the presentation of congratulatory banners.

The Congress sent congratulatory messages to service personnel of the Korean People's Army and the Korean People's Internal Security Forces who performed distinguished feats in defending the Seventh Party Congress and to the working people and officials of the institutions, industrial establishments and cooperative farms who performed brilliant labour feats in the 70-day campaign of loyalty.

The Congress approved the following agenda items:

1. Review of the work of the WPK Central Committee
2. Review of the work of the WPK Central Auditing Commission
3. On revising the Rules of the WPK
4. On electing Kim Jong Un to the top post of the WPK
5. Election to the central leadership organ of the WPK

The Congress discussed the first agenda item.

Kim Jong Un delivered the report on the work of the WPK Central Committee.

His report was fully supported by all the participants.

Speeches were made to implement the tasks set forth in the work report of the Party Central Committee.

They gave wholehearted support to the work report delivered by Kim Jong Un and reiterated their will to absolutely trust him, cherishing the loyalty to the Party and the leader as their unshakeable faith, and only follow him single-mindedly in any storm and stress, and to thoroughly carry out the tasks set forth at the Congress.

Kim Jong Un made a conclusion on the first agenda item.

Pointing out that the WPK is facing honourable and important task to bring earlier the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution he said that the main spirit of the Congress is to hasten the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution by making an all-out and life-and-death struggle under the unfurled banner of great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism and displaying the spirit of the principle of giving priority to self-development.

He put forward before the Party, army and people a slogan, "Let the whole Party, entire army and all the people go all out for the implementation of the tasks advanced at the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea to hasten the final victory of the Juche revolution!" and stressed that he firmly believes the entire Party, the whole army and all the people will turn out in high spirits in the general offensive for accomplishing the gigantic programme set forth at the Congress, thus demonstrating the high dignity and the invincible spirit of the great Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist party.

A congratulatory message presented to the Seventh Congress of the WPK by all the service personnel and people was read out.

A report on the second agenda item "Review of the work of the WPK Central Auditing Commission" was made by its chairman Choe Sung Ho.

A congratulatory group of the Korean Children's Union (KCU) entered the venue of the Congress. The KCU members presented Kim Jong Un with a floral basket, reflecting boundless admiration and loyalty of three million members. The congratulatory group recited the congratulatory message to the Seventh Congress of the WPK.

There was a study session of the work report of the WPK Central Committee made by Kim Jong Un.

A decision on the first agenda item "Review of the work of the WPK Central Committee" was adopted with unanimous approval of all the delegates.

A congratulatory group of Kim Il Sung Socialist Youth League entered the venue of the Congress. They presented a floral basket to Kim Jong Un in reflection of boundless respect and loyalty of the five million young vanguards. They recited the congratulatory message to the Congress.

The Congress discussed the third agenda item "On revising the Rules of the WPK" and adopted a decision, followed by the discussion of the fourth agenda item "On electing Kim Jong Un to the top post of the WPK."

Kim Yong Nam made an address on electing Kim Jong Un to the top post of the WPK.

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Kim Jong Un, First Secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, delivers the report on the work of the WPK Central Committee [May Juche 105 (2016)]

Immortal Programme, Militant Banner

The report to the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea on the work of the Central Committee by the respected Kim Jong Un is the immortal programme and militant banner that shed light on the road to be taken by Korean service personnel and people to hasten the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution.

In his historic report Kim Jong Un noted that the decades to date since the Sixth Congress of the WPK were a period of the severest struggle and a glorious era of victory when a great turn was brought about in the long history of the Party.

Saying that thanks to the great Juche idea and Songun politics of the WPK and the devoted struggle of the Korean service personnel and people who are unfailingly loyal to the Party, proud victories have been achieved in socialist construction and eternal foundations for the accomplishment of the cause of the Juche revolution laid, he continued:

Our Party pushed ahead with the undertakings to model the whole Party and the entire army on the Juche idea and to make all members of society revolutionary, working-class and intellectual in line with the programme of modelling the whole society on this idea put forth by the Sixth Party Congress, thereby strengthening the motive force of the socialist cause.

It held fast to the strategic line of putting the national economy on a Juche-oriented, modern and scientific footing and mobilized the people in the efforts to implement it, thus making great progress in attaining the ten long-term objectives for socialist economic construction.

Kim Jong Un noted that the WPK and the Korean people unexpectedly lost President Kim Il Sung whom they believed in and followed as in Heaven at a time when the socialist cause of Korea was making a triumphant advance along the track of Juche and bright prospects of national reunification were opening up in the rapidly changing situation. The demise of the President was the greatest sorrow and loss to our Party and people and the bitterest trial to our revolution, he said.

He continued:

At this juncture when there was a worldwide concern over the fate of the DPRK and imperialist reactionaries were absurdly trumpeting about our possible "policy switch" and "system collapse," General Kim Jong Il conclusively declared his iron will to invariably defend and carry forward to completion the cause of the Juche revolution pioneered by the President, however thorny the road of the revolution might be, and wisely led the revolution and construction entirely as the latter had intended and done. Under his wise leadership the WPK firmly maintained the Songun-based revolutionary line, an ever-victorious path of the Korean revolution, and administered Songun politics in an all-round way by carrying forward the President's cause.

Thanks to the mode of Songun politics deeply rooted in the great Juche idea and the politico-ideological and military strength built up in the course of the struggle to model the whole society on the Juche idea, the might of Songun was brought into full play and the Songun era, a new era of the Juche revolution ushered in.

Even in the severe struggle to defend socialism our Party set a high goal of building a powerful socialist country visualizing the future of national prosperity with firm confidence in victory and steadily strove to advance the socialist cause to a new stage.

At a time when a historic turnaround was being effected in implementing the cause of the Juche revolution and socialism of our own style was making a dynamic advance along the road of victory opened up by Songun politics, our Party and people were bereft of General Kim Jong Il unexpectedly and went into national mourning once again.

Filled with tears of blood over the loss of the General, all our Party members, service personnel and people who are his soldiers and devoted followers turned their sorrow into strength and courage and rallied firmly behind the Party Central Committee, determinedly turning out in the struggle to translate his lifetime intention and wish into reality.

On the occasion of the historic Fourth Party Conference our Party elucidated its revolutionary faith and will to hold the President and the General in high esteem as the eternal leaders of our Party and revolution and keep up the great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism as its eternal guiding ideology and mobilized Party members and other people in the campaign to implement their lifetime instructions.

The WPK, as required by the situation and developing revolution, set forth the strategic line of simultaneously carrying on the economic construction and the upbuilding of the nuclear forces and strove to this end.

Thanks to the vigorous struggle of our army and people to implement the Party's strategic line, a strong guarantee was provided for putting a complete end to the anti-imperialist, anti-US showdown and hastening the final victory of our cause.

Kim Jong Un also clarified that splendid successes were achieved in the building of a thriving country during the period under review.

Pointing out brilliant victories achieved in socialist construction and the eternal foundation laid for the prosperity of the country, he said that the proud success of the Party and people was that they built a politico-ideological power of single-hearted unity, an invincible military power.

He said that great progress was also made in economic and cultural construction and that the Party and people strove to implement the strategic line of socialist economic construction to solidify the material and technical foundations of the independent national economy and provide a springboard for the building of an economic giant.

In his report Kim Jong Un said that the Party and people brilliantly carried forward the revolutionary cause of the leader generation

after generation.

He said:

The Workers' Party of Korea, which followed the road of victory under the leadership of the President and the General, brilliantly resolved theoretical and practical problems arising in the succession of the revolutionary cause and faithfully carried forward their ideology and cause.

In the course of their struggle to defend and add lustre to socialism under the unfurled banner of the Juche idea and the banner of Songun, the Party and people clearly confirmed the invaluable philosophy that the leader plays a decisive role in implementing the revolutionary cause of the masses of the people to achieve independence and the inheritance of the cause of the leader is the fundamental issue decisive of the destiny of the revolution and future of the people.

Kim Jong Un stressed in his report that the WPK is faced with important tasks to advance the Korean revolution onto a higher stage and carry through the cause of socialism with the ideology and exploits of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il as the eternal cornerstone, and set forth tasks and ways of accomplishing the socialist cause.

He said:

To accomplish the socialist cause and fully realize the independence of the masses of the people, the whole society should be modelled on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

The major task facing us today in modelling the whole society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism is to complete the cause of building a powerful socialist country. A powerful socialist country means the strongest country in the world with great national strength, which is ever-prospering and whose people live happily without envying anything in the world.

In order to successfully build a socialist power under the banner of modelling the whole society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism, we should thoroughly implement our Party's general line of carrying out the three revolutions–ideological, technological and cultural–vigorously while strengthening the people's government and enhancing its functions and role.

We should uphold the self-development-first spirit.

The self-development-first spirit is a revolutionary spirit of strengthening the motive force of a nation and opening up the path ahead of it by relying on its own efforts, technology and resources.

Kim Jong Un illuminated tasks for building a sci-tech power.

He said that a sci-tech power is a crucial target to be first attained at present in the building of a powerful socialist country. By giving a spur to the building of a sci-tech power, he noted, we should achieve a new leap forward in developing the country's science and technology in a short span of time and usher in an era of prosperity by dint of science, so as to bring about a revolutionary turn in socialist construction.

In his report he clarified the building of an economic giant and strategy for the development of the national economy.

He defined that an economic giant the Party is building is a country that is strong in terms of independence and the Juche character and develops with science and technology as the main productive force, and that a socialist economic giant precisely means a powerful country with a self-supporting economy, a knowledge-based economy, which produces and supplies by itself the material means needed for defence upbuilding, economic construction and the people's livelihood and in which science and technology are integrated with production and the high-tech industry plays the leading role in economic growth.

He elucidated that to ensure the successful building of a socialist economic giant, the strategy for every stage of the development of the national economy should be worked out scientifically and realistically and implemented without fail, and for the present, the five-year strategy for national economic development from 2016 to 2020 should be carried through. He continued:

The objective of the five-year strategy is to lay the foundations for the sustainable development of the country's economy by reenergizing the overall national economy and ensuring the balance among economic sectors.

In this period, it is required to drastically improve the people's living standards by putting the vanguard sectors of the national economy, the basic industries, on normal track and boosting agricultural and light industrial production, while holding fast to the Party's new line of simultaneously carrying on the economic construction and the upbuilding of the nuclear forces and resolving the energy problem.

To bring about a turning point in the construction of an economic giant, we should raise the state's function as an economic organizer and establish economic management methods of our style embodying the Juche idea on a full scale.

The state should provide unified guidance over and strategic management of economic work in a responsible manner and implement properly the socialist business responsible management system.

And he illuminated the tasks for building a civilized power.

He noted that the building of a civilized socialist power should be pushed forward so as to make all the people powerful builders of socialism with a wealth of knowledge and high cultural attainments and provide them with conditions and environment for leading an affluent, cultured life to their heart's content and set forth the tasks for education, public health, sports and art and literature. He continued that the imperialists' attempts at ideological and cultural infiltration should be thwarted, the socialist culture and lifestyle maintained thoroughly, moral discipline tightened throughout society and modern bases for a cultural and emotional life that go well with the appearance of a civilized socialist power built in larger numbers and more splendidly.

Kim Jong Un put forth the tasks for strengthening the political and military might.

Saying that the strength of the country should be built up as a politico-ideological power in every possible way, he noted that the socialist state and political system should be consolidated and its effectiveness fully displayed and the harmonious whole of the Party and the masses be further strengthened. He continued that the country's might as a military power should be consolidated in every way, holding fast to the line of the Songun revolution as the permanent strategic line.

In order to achieve the victory of the socialist cause in the protracted, acute confrontation with the imperialists, he said, we should invariably hold aloft the banner of Songun and direct great efforts to building up the revolutionary armed forces and defence capability of the country.

Kim Jong Un expounded the tasks for independent reunification of the country.

He said:

Our Party's struggle for national reunification was a just struggle for the country and nation, in which it endeavoured to defend the spirit of national independence, achieve national unity and open up a new era of national prosperity in the acute confrontation with the anti-reunification forces within and without.

Smashing the obstructive moves of the anti-reunification forces that are not desirous of seeing one Korea, our Party advanced the national reunification movement without letup by consistently adhering to the President's Juche-oriented line of reunification.

Our Party's struggle to implement the Juche-oriented line of reunification made dynamic progress from one generation into the next under the energetic leadership of General Kim Jong Il and, in this course, a solid foundation for realizing the cause of national reunification was laid out.

Thanks to the wise leadership of President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il, peerless patriots and lodestars of reunification, the cause of national reunification could advance along the path to national independence through the decades and century after century, despite the complex circumstances in which separatist forces within and without were resorting to despicable means, and the internal forces of national reunification grew stronger to prevail over the anti-reunification forces.

We should pull down the barrier of division as soon as possible and open up a broad avenue to national reunification in keeping with the unanimous desire and requirements of the entire Korean nation.

It is the firm determination and will of our Party to achieve the country's independent reunification by carrying out the lifelong wishes and instructions of the President and the General.

We should open a way to reunification by consistently adhering to the three charters, which crystallize aspirations and demands of all the

compatriots and whose vitality has been proved through practice.

In our struggle for national reunification we should hold high the banner of national independence and great national unity. It is important to ensure peace and security on the Korean peninsula and strive for reunification of a federal type.

National independence, great national unity, peace and federal system–this is the policy our Party follows in its struggle to pave the way for the country's reunification by implementing the three charters for national reunification.

The pressing issue in achieving independent reunification of the country is to bring about a radical improvement in inter-Korean relations. The countries responsible for Korea's division and its neighbours should refrain from inciting distrust and confrontation between the north and the south and do things beneficial to Korea's reunification.

Nothing is to be afraid of and impossible to do in the world if the north and the south share one purpose and join efforts.

When reunified, our country will demonstrate its grandeur as a dignified world power with an 80 million population and enormous national strength, a nation of advanced civilization capable of beating others by dint of indomitable national spirit and unexcelled resourcefulness and a nation of justice playing the leading role in ensuring peace in Northeast Asia and the rest of the world.

Kim Jong Un also set forth tasks for global independence. He said:

During the period under review our Party, by dint of its independent politics and Songun-based revolutionary leadership, resolutely shattered the moves of the US-led allied imperialist forces to suffocate the DPRK and the dominationists' pressure against it and strengthened the country's political and military might in every way. In this way it further consolidated the strategic position of the country and demonstrated the strength of Juche Korea.

The foreign relations of our country gained in scope despite the US and its vassal forces' more undisguised schemes to isolate and stifle it.

The international arena is now beset with a serious confrontation and fight between the world's progressive peoples who are out in the struggle to defend sovereignty and dignity of their countries and nations and the imperialist reactionary forces that are pursuing policies of aggression and war, high-handedness and arbitrariness.

In order to build an independent world it is essential for all countries and nations to adhere to independence under the unfurled banner of anti-imperialist independence.

It is important to fight for genuine international justice. In order to secure genuine international justice it is imperative to remove the shameless veil of "justice" worn by the imperialists and dominationists, and wipe off the old international order whereby injustice prevails under the cloak of "justice" and instead establish a new fair and righteous international order.

We should launch a vigorous struggle to defend the socialist cause and advance it along the road of victory.

All the countries and peoples that champion independence should support the socialist cause and fight against the anti-socialist moves by the imperialist and reactionary forces.

It is important to strengthen and develop the non-aligned movement and create conditions favourable for advancing the cause of global independence by strengthening continental and regional cooperation on the principle of independence, equality and mutual respect.

Independence, peace and friendship are the consistent external policy of the Workers' Party of Korea, and they constitute the basic stand to be maintained invariably in the struggle to accomplish the cause of global independence.

We should consistently apply the idea and principle of our Party's foreign policy in external activities.

We should open up a new phase in developing our foreign relations as appropriate for our country's status as an independent power, a nuclear-armed state. As a responsible nuclear state our Republic will not use nuclear weapons first unless the aggressive forces hostile to us violate our sovereignty with nukes, as we declared earlier; we will faithfully observe our commitments to nuclear non-proliferation, which we made before the international community, and strive for denuclearization of the world.

We should create an international environment favourable for our revolution by proactively developing relations of good-neighbourliness, friendship and cooperation with the progressive countries of the world that respect the sovereignty of our Republic and are friendly to us.

The Workers' Party of Korea, in the future, too, will struggle dynamically for the victory of the cause of global independence, holding high the banner of socialism and anti-imperialist independence and firmly united with all the peoples who champion independence.

In the report Kim Jong Un illuminated tasks for strengthening and developing the WPK.

Noting that the WPK, in the course of blazing a trail for building a revolutionary party, has developed into the great and dignified Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist party and led the cause of the Juche revolution along the road resplendent with victory, he said it has further strengthened into the genuine party of the leader, revolutionary party of the Juche type by applying General Kim Jong Il's idea and theory on party building.

He said:

In order to carry out important tasks for the accomplishment of the cause of socialism, the cause of the Juche revolution, under the unfurled banner of modelling the whole society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism, we should develop the Workers' Party of Korea into the eternal Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist party and constantly enhance its leadership role.

The general task for building up the WPK is to develop it into the party of the great leaders.

We should hold General Kim Jong Il in high esteem as the eternal leader of the WPK and wage a dynamic struggle to model the whole Party on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

We should develop in greater depth the work of establishing the Party's unified leadership system as required by the developing revolution.

It is important to consolidate the ranks of the Party and the revolution and enhance their fighting efficiency in every possible way, and bring about a radical change in the Party's ideological work.

It is important to thoroughly apply the people-first principle to the whole of Party work and steadily improve the Party's leadership role in the revolutionary struggle and construction work.

Kim Jong Un, First Secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, delivers the report on the work of the WPK Central Committee [May Juche 105 (2016)]

It is urgent to get rid of outdated patterns in Party work and apply the General Kim Jong Il's work method on a full scale.

At the end of his report, Kim Jong Un said:

Our revolution, which had started its advance in Mt Paektu, made great headway hewing out an untrodden path, and now it has entered a phase for leap forward in the implementation of the cause of the Juche revolution.

Let us all march forward dynamically, for the strengthening and development of the Party, for the accomplishment of the socialist cause, for the independent reunification of the country and for the realization of the cause of global independence holding aloft the revolutionary banner of Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism and united rock-solid behind the Party Central Committee.

The historic report Kim Jong Un made to the Seventh Party Congress is an important guiding programme that sheds light on the road for the Korean service personnel and people to hasten the modelling of the whole Party and society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism and build a thriving socialist nation, and instils in them firm determination to bring earlier the reunification of the country and the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution. It has inspired them to the general offensive to implement the grand programme.

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Saying that Kim Jong Un was always with Kim Jong Il on the road of Songun-based revolutionary leadership and enjoyed boundless trust and respect from people with his clairvoyant wisdom, extraordinary leadership ability and noble, popular traits, he continued that by wisely leading the Party, the state and the army he has unfolded a new era of victory and changes to be etched in the history of our nation. Then he courteously proposed to the Congress to elect Kim Jong Un as Chairman of the WPK, reflecting the unanimous will of all the Party members, service personnel and people of the country.

The speakers fully supported and approved the proposal to elect Kim Jong Un to the top post of the WPK.

The Congress elected Kim Jong Un as Chairman of the WPK.

All the participants burst into rapturous applause and thunderous cheers, extending the greatest glory to Kim Jong Un, the representative of the WPK and the incarnation of the dignity and mightiness of Juche Korea.

The election of the central leadership body of the WPK, the fifth agenda item, took place.

The Congress declared that Chairman Kim Jong Un of the WPK was elected the member of the Party Central Committee, member of the Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Party Central Committee and Chairman of the Party Central Military Commission, according to the rules of the WPK and the detailed regulations for the election of the supreme leadership body of the WPK.

An appeal of the Seventh Congress of the WPK to all the service personnel, the youth and people, titled, “Let us make all-out charge for the complete victory of socialism by launching the Mallima speed campaign!” was announced.

Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the WPK, made a closing address at the Congress.

When Kim Jong Un declared the closing of the Congress, the song *Fly High, Our Party Flag* was played.

The Seventh Congress of the WPK held in the presence of Kim Jong Un, great leader of the WPK and the Korean people, was a significant grand assembly that marked a historic watershed in the sacred drive to accomplish the great cause of Paektu under the banner of Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

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Kim Jong Un Elected to the Top Post of the Workers' Party of Korea

The Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea elected Kim Jong Un to the top post of the Party.

The respected Kim Jong Un who is leading the cause of the Juche revolution along the road of everlasting victory demonstrating the dignity and prestige of Kim Il Sung's nation and Kim Jong Il's Korea with outstanding ideology, extraordinary leadership and noble virtue, unveiled a new chapter in realizing the cause of immortalizing the leaders to make their revolutionary history continue without letup on this land, and illuminated the path for the WPK to achieve the final victory of the revolution holding fast to the modelling of the whole society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism as the highest programme of the Party.

Under his leadership, the Party's monolithic leadership system has thoroughly been established across the Party and society, single-minded unity of the Party and the revolutionary ranks further cemented, and a series of epoch-making changes brought about in all the political, military, economic and cultural fields.

He inspired the entire Party, the whole army and all the people to turn out in the 70-day campaign of loyalty and led the campaign to ensure unheard-of miraculous achievements, thus celebrating the Seventh Congress of the WPK as a glorious meeting of victors. The work report of the WPK Central Committee he delivered at the Congress clearly indicated the road ahead of the Party and the developing revolution.

In the course of vigorously advancing along the road of independence, Songun and socialism under the ever-victorious leadership of Kim Jong Un, the Korean army and people have keenly realized that the eternal victory of the WPK and the rosy future of the great Paektusan nation are guaranteed only when they follow his leadership.

The Seventh Congress of the WPK, in reflection of the unanimous will and desire of all the Party members, service personnel and people, decided to elect Kim Jong Un as Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea.

First Plenary Meeting of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK Held

The First Plenary Meeting of the Seventh Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea took place on May 9 in Pyongyang.

Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, presided over the meeting.

The members and alternate members of the WPK Central Committee and the members of the WPK Central Auditing Commission participated in the meeting.

The plenary meeting elected members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee headed by Chairman Kim Jong Un.

It also elected vice-chairmen of the Central Committee of the WPK and nominated the members of the Executive Policy Council and the Central Military Commission of the WPK.

Department directors of the WPK Central Committee and the editor-in-chief of *Rodong Sinmun*, organ of the WPK Central Committee, were appointed.

The chairman, first vice-chairman, vice-chairman and members of the Inspection Commission of the WPK Central Committee were elected.

Closing Address at the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea

Dear delegates,

The historic Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea is now winding up its work upon making great successes amid the high degree of political enthusiasm and the best wishes and expectations from all the delegates, Party members, service personnel and other people.

Through this Congress of the WPK we have fully displayed the invincible might of the great Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist party and demonstrated to the whole world the unshakeable conviction and will to accomplish the cause of socialism, the cause of the Juche revolution, under the unfurled banner of Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

The Seventh Congress of the WPK will be etched for ever in the history of our Party as a glorious meeting of victors that laid lasting groundwork for the implementation of the cause of the Juche revolution and set up a new milestone in carrying out the cause of socialism.

I am very gratified that this Congress of the WPK was convened at an important, historic turning point in implementing the cause of the Juche revolution and has had an adequate discussion on the items on the agenda, and I extend warm thanks to all the delegates, Party members, service personnel and other people who made positive efforts to ensure the Congress a success.

Comrades,

Now as I am standing here to declare the Seventh Congress of the WPK closed, I am reflecting on the grim decades of our Party that has travelled a long and arduous road. My yearning grows stronger for President Kim Il Sung and General Kim Jong Il who made so much painstaking efforts to the last moments of their great lives to hand down this powerful Korea to posterity tiding over the severe tempest of history. And this brings back vivid memories of the names and faces of the unforgettable revolutionary comrades who passed away earlier. They supported the leader's intentions and cause, showing no affectation and vacillation in both good and bad times, and worked with devotion for the development of the WPK and the victory of the socialist cause.

Though they are not here with us, we should never forget the precious revolutionary comrades-in-arms who went against all odds as genuine comrades of our Party and devoted themselves heart and soul to the WPK and the leader, the country and the people during the period under review.

Comrades,

The Seventh Congress of the WPK summed up with pride the great victories our Party and people gained during the period under review in carrying out the cause of the Juche revolution under the wise leadership of the great Comrades Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il.

This Congress has unfolded a magnificent blueprint for realizing our people's dreams and ideals by building a powerful socialist country on a full scale under the banner of modelling the whole society on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism. It has also advanced important tasks to be tackled in achieving independent reunification of the country and accelerating the cause of global independence.

The grand objectives, revolutionary line and policies put forward by the Congress will be an inspiring banner instilling into all Party members, service personnel and other people confidence in the future and victory and powerfully rousing the whole Party, the entire army and all the people to the general onward march for the final victory of the revolution.

At the Congress, in reflection of the unanimous will and desire of the whole Party and all the people, it was stipulated in Party Rules that the great Comrade Kim Jong Il is the eternal leader of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Our Party will hold up General Kim Jong Il as its eternal leader, and staunchly champion and add eternal brilliance to his revolutionary ideology and exploits.

The Congress elected a new leadership body of the Central Committee of the WPK, reflecting the will of its entire membership.

That a new leadership body of the Central Committee of the WPK has been elected with the unanimous approval of all the delegates is a clear manifestation of the absolute support and trust in our Party of all its members and other people.

I express my heartfelt thanks to the delegates, all Party members, service personnel and other people for having shown such great confidence in me.

Cherishing deep in my heart the greatest trust and expectations of you who have entrusted me with the heavy responsibility of the Chairman of the dignified Workers' Party of Korea, I will fight on undauntedly, offering myself without regret in the sacred struggle to hasten the final victory of the cause of the Juche revolution pioneered in Mt Paektu; and I pledge myself to remain faithful to the revolution, holding our people in high esteem invariably and selflessly at any time, at any place and at any moment, even if my body is torn to pieces and I fall.

The newly elected Central Committee of the WPK will carry through the line and policies the Congress has advanced and fulfil the historic mission and responsibility it assumes in the implementation of the cause of the Juche revolution so as to live up to the deep trust and expectations of Party members and other people without fail.

Our Party will faithfully serve the people and fight it out for national prosperity and the people's well-being, holding high the slogan "Everything for the people, everything by relying on them!" always in the future as in the past, true to the great leaders' noble idea of "The people are my God."

Members of the leadership body of the Central Committee of the WPK, keeping deep in mind the weighty responsibility they assume before the WPK and the revolution, should be staunch vanguard fighters in implementing the lifetime instructions of the great leaders and the WPK's line and policies and competent organizers and propagators who powerfully inspire the broad masses to putting the decision of the Congress of the WPK into effect.

Our Party and people are faced with very enormous tasks and imperialists, and other hostile forces will persist in their manoeuvres to hinder us.

However, we will surely win final victory as the great Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism brightly illumines the way ahead of us, there is the single-hearted unity of all the service personnel and people rallied firmly as one behind the WPK and the revolutionary armed forces infinitely faithful to the WPK are holding the red bayonet of invincibility.

Let us all vigorously fight for the completion of the socialist cause, independent reunification of the country and victory of the cause of global independence, firmly united around the Central Committee of the WPK under the unfurled banner of Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

Fully convinced that the revolutionary line and policies advanced by the Seventh Congress of the WPK will be carried out thoroughly and a great turn will be brought about in the implementation of the cause of the Juche revolution thanks to the indomitable spirit of offensive and heroic struggle of all the delegates and other Party members, service personnel and people who are unfailingly faithful to our revolution, I declare the historic Seventh Congress of the WPK closed.

Participants in the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea look round floral baskets sent to the Congress by foreign political parties and heads of party, friendship and solidarity bodies, Juche idea study groups and personages from various circles

Those who attended the Congress are fully determined to inspire all the service personnel and people to implement the decisions of the Party Congress

Pyongyang Citizens Celebrate the Party Congress

With the great excitement and joy of the Korean people over the election of Kim Jong Un as Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea overflowing the whole country, a mass rally and public procession of Pyongyang citizens in celebration of the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea were held in grand style in Pyongyang, capital of the revolution.

Amid the playing of welcome music Kim Jong Un, Chairman of the WPK, First Chairman of the DPRK National Defence Commission and Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army, appeared on the platform at the square.

The moment numerous balloons were released and fireworks set off, the thunderous cheers rocking heaven and earth.

Members of the Korean Children's Union presented him bouquets of fragrant flowers.

The celebrations started with the playing of *Long Live the Workers' Party of Korea.*

After Kim Yong Nam, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee and president of the Presidium of the DPRK Supreme People's Assembly, made a speech, the grand public procession of hundreds of thousands of Pyongyang citizens started.

When the column of Party flags with the statues of President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il at the centre entered the square amid the playing of *The President Is with the General*, the square became astir with excitement.

Other columns marched past the square, which was filled with the great emotion and jubilation over the election of Kim Jong Un as the WPK Chairman, carrying large boards bearing such slogans as "Long live Kim Jong Un, supreme leader of our Party and people!" and "Greatest honour to the supreme leader!"

They demonstrated in an epic way the heroic course of the WPK which has developed the country into an invincible politico-ideological power, military power and youth power by dynamically advancing the revolution and construction by dint of the people's strength.

When the public procession was over, the cheers of "hurrah" rocked heaven and earth again, fireworks were displayed and balloons released.

Kim Jong Un came out to the balcony of the platform to acknowledge the cheering crowds.

The mass rally and public procession fully demonstrated the spirit of all the Korean service personnel and people to attain high goals and carry out action programme for the building of a socialist power advanced by the Party Congress by rallying rock-solid behind Kim Jong Un.

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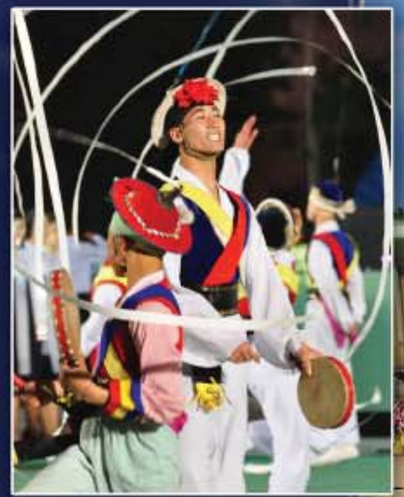
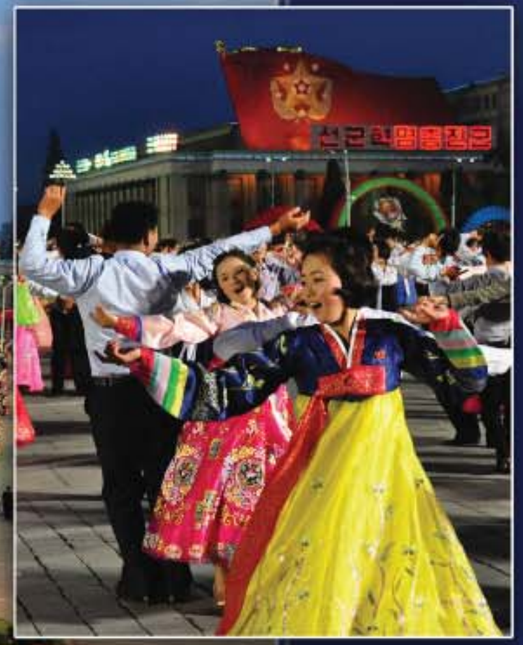
Kim Jong Un acknowledges the enthusiastically cheering crowds [May Juche 105 (2016)]

Pyongyang citizens in the public procession march past demonstrating the unshakeable faith and will to carry on the revolution following Kim Jong Un

Shots of the mass rally and public procession

Evening Gala and Torchlit Procession of Young People





An evening gala and torchlit procession of students and youth vanguard in celebration of the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea took place in grand style in Pyongyang, capital of the DPRK.

Kim Il Sung Square and its vicinity were packed with young people who gathered there to celebrate the Seventh Congress, a momentous event to be written down in the history of the Party.

With great emotion on the election of the respected Kim Jong Un, who is the banner of all the victories and glory, as Chairman of the WPK, they danced enthusiastically in time with songs, *Our Leader Beloved of the People*, *People's Jubilation* and others. They were full of pride of being blessed with great leaders and the Party generation by generation.

There followed a torchlit procession.

Amid the playing of the song *Ever-Victorious Workers' Party of Korea* open-top cars that carried the flags bearing the beaming images of President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il entered the square, escorted by young people holding the torches of the revolution, reflecting their firm will to carry forward the cause of the Juche revolution.

Other columns of passionate young people formed the pattern of a medal of hero and letters like "youth" and "five million." They demonstrated the high spirit and might of young warriors who would be the first to put up the doorplate of a thriving country by creating legendary tales of heroic youth, upholding the torch of creating the Mallima speed under the leadership of the WPK.

A salvo of fireworks burst in a row, unfolding a fascinating scene of fire, as if to bless the bright future of Juche Korea, the only dignified youth power in the world, under the leadership of the ever-victorious WPK.

The gala performance and torchlit procession of the young people illustrated the firm faith and will of the five million youth vanguard to remain loyal to the Party's leadership, firmly rallied behind Kim Jong Un.

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Unshakeable Faith

A joint performance *Following Our Party For Ever* was given by the Moranbong Band, Chongbong Band and State Merited Chorus as part of celebrations of the Seventh Congress of the WPK.

The performance that began with the solemn playing of national anthem *Patriotic Song* put on stage orchestral music and male chorus *Green Pine on Nam Hill*, reminding the audience of the glorious course of the WPK which has emerged victorious with the idea of national independence, indomitable revolutionary spirit and the idea of continuous revolution. The programmes included famous songs, which had greatly inspired all the service personnel and people in the past years adorned with the names of the great leaders, in a fresh and unique artistic portrayal, impressing the audience.

The entertainers represented the infinite happiness and honour of the people who have held Kim Jong Un in high esteem at the top post of the Party and revolution by unfolding an enchanting world of music. The performance was climaxed with mixed ensemble and male chorus *Our Faith*, a demonstration of the unshakeable faith and will of all the service personnel and people to take the road of independence, Songun, and socialism pioneered in Mt Paektu generation after generation following the respected Marshal. It ended with Kim Jong Il Prize-winning orchestral music and song *We'll Travel One Road For Ever*.

The joint performance fully demonstrated the revolutionary mettle of the Korean army and people who have turned out in the general offensive to carry out the tasks Kim Jong Un advanced at the Party Congress that marked a new milestone in the building of a thriving socialist nation.

Article: Choe Kwang Ho
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Kim Jong Un guides the manufacturing of nuclear weapons [March Juche 105 (2016)]

Loyal Feats of Labour

The service personnel and people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea who turned out in the grand onward march to celebrate the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea as a glorious meeting of victors presented as gifts to the Congress miraculous labour achievements of loyalty in all fronts of building a thriving nation, closely rallied behind the respected Kim Jong Un and fully displaying the revolutionary spirit of Paektu on the principle of giving priority to self-development.

Full of pride in having exalted prestige and might of Juche Korea by brilliant successes achieved in the first hydrogen bomb test and the launch of the earth observation satellite *Kwangmyongsong 4*, which served as landmarks in the nation's history spanning 5 000 years, they launched the 70-day campaign of loyalty to celebrate the Congress with unprecedented labour achievements. They displayed fervent revolutionary enthusiasm in the campaign, thus creating a new spirit representing the Mallima era in all sectors and units.

All the Party members, service personnel and other people throughout the country, who received the letter of the Party Central Committee as the patriotic appeal of the respected Marshal, displayed the spirit of carrying out the Party policy to the death in hearty response to its militant call. During the 70-day campaign, they made the greatest successes and leap forward one after another in the upbuilding of national defence and the building of an economic power.

Scientists and technicians in the defence science sector that played a magnificent prelude to this meaningful year with a thrilling explosion of Juche Korea's first hydrogen bomb went on to create momentous miracles in defending national dignity and sovereignty. They achieved great successes in the development of miniaturized nuclear warhead of the Korean style, a simulation test of the nose cone tip's re-entry into the earth's atmosphere, ground jet test of high-power solid-fuel rocket engine and its cascade separation, on-the-ground test of a new type of high-powered intercontinental ballistic missile motor, and underwater test-fire of strategic submarine ballistic missile, thus topping off the 70-day campaign and opening wide the door to the Seventh Congress of the WPK, full of pride in being victors.

Thanks to the creation and increased production effected in all parts of the country, the planned tasks of the campaign were overfulfilled by 44%, the industrial output increased by 1.6 times to that of the same period of the previous year and many units completed their tasks for the national economic plan for the first half of the year and the fiscal year ahead of schedule.

Heroic working class of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il, scientists and technicians waged an unyielding struggle on the principle of giving priority to self-development to erect monumental structures throughout the country and develop and manufacture new machines and equipment based on local efforts and technology, thereby presenting them as gifts to the Congress of the motherly Party.

A new speed of reducing ten years to one was created in the major construction projects. As a result, the construction of the Paektusan Hero Youth Power Station No. 3 was completed as a proud monument of youth in the great era of Kim Jong Un, demonstrating the invincibility and might of the Paektusan youth power, and Wonsan Army-People Power Station built in the thick forest of the Masik Pass in Kangwon Province.

Builders of the Ryomyong Street made a great progress in construction with the mettle of "All at once" and patriotic will to improve the people's well-being, however tense the situation may be. Baby homes, orphanages, orphan's primary and secondary schools built splendidly in various parts of the country became a new legend of affection for the rising generation and the future of the WPK that regards children as king of the country. The modernly equipped Mindulle Notebook Factory, Central Class Education Museum, Mirae Shop and a health complex, and other hundreds of projects were built, inaugurated and renovated.

During the 70-day campaign scientists and technicians trebled their successes in researches as compared to the same period of last year, which are conducive to the economic construction and the improvement of the people's living standards. They solved technological problems arising in the production of pig iron at oxygen-blast furnaces and their operation, thus making it possible to mass-produce pig iron from anthracite coal and iron ore abundant in the country.

Success in a test that simulates the nose cone tip's re-entry into the earth's atmosphere

All these proud successes that glorified the Seventh Congress of the WPK as a glorious meeting of victors are the demonstration of the indomitable conviction and will of the Korean service personnel and people who are firmly determined to build a thriving country, smashing the vicious manoeuvrings of the hostile forces for sanctions under Kim Jong Un's leadership.

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Great success in on-the-ground test of a new type of high-powered intercontinental ballistic missile motor

Successful on-the-ground jet test of high-powered solid-fuel rocket engine and its cascade separation provides a new springboard for the development of the country's rocket industry

Consecutive success in underwater test-fire of a strategic submarine-launched ballistic missile proves and consolidates the stability of underwater launching system, fully satisfying the demands for the realization of the Juche-oriented underwater offensive operation in all technological indexes.

A new generation of large-calibre multiple rocket launcher has been developed to radically improve the capability of precision attack to enemy targets

Light laser-guided anti-tank rocket with a surprising armour-piercing and explosive capability has been developed

Test-fire for the judgment of combat performance of new anti-aircraft guided weapon system is being successfully conducted

The earth observation satellite *Kwangmyongsong 4* is successfully launched at 9 a.m. on February 7, Juche 105 (2016)

Kim Jong Un looks round the completed Paektusan Hero Youth Power Station No. 3 [April Juche 105 (2016)]

Heroic working class of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il has adorned the Seventh Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea with the manufacturing of new machines and equipment on the principle of giving priority to self-development

Kim Jong Un sees a new-type 80 hp tractor made at the Kumsong Tractor Factory [May Juche 105 (2016)]

Kim Jong Un sees a new-type 80 hp tractor made at the Kumsong Tractor Factory [May Juche 105 (2016)]

Newly-built Tree Nursery No. 122 of the KPA puts farming on a scientific, intensive and industrial basis at a high level in line with the age of knowledge economy

The production system of iron by Juche-based method has been completed and innovative successes achieved in the production of heavy rail at Hwanghae Iron and Steel Complex

Pukchang Thermal Power Complex has recorded an unheard-of production growth

Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at Mindulle Notebook Factory [April Juche 105 (2016)]

Baby homes and orphanages have been built as a wonderland for orphans

Light-industry factories maintain regular production

Mirae Shop and a health complex for scientists and technicians

Fireworks of Celebration

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