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The dawn air in the garden here is good because it is clean and fresh. I feel invigorated when I inhale it.

I stayed up all night in my office last night dealing with the work I had left during the time I was assisting the great leader Comrade Kim II Sung in his on-site guidance. You have not gone home before dawn because I remained in my office.

Although many people know that it is good to breathe the dawn air there must be few like us who actually do so. Revolutionaries are always the first to breathe the dawn air.

My grandfather used to breathe the dawn air earlier than others because he worked for the struggle against the Japanese imperialists from the early morning.

During the anti-Japanese armed struggle the leader also used to spend sleepless nights mapping out a plan for liberating the country by lamplight after all his men had gone to bed. Then he would go out at daybreak before anybody else to take a walk in the fresh morning air. Even after the country's liberation he used to get up earlier than anybody else. When I was young he used to take a walk with me in the garden early in the morning and tell me poignant

stories. I still remember those stories.

The flag of the Party fluttering over the roof of the offices of the Party Central Committee is the flag of victory and glory and the flag of the revolution under which we overcame ordeals and trials, braving a sea of flames. The history of the flag of our Party began on the day when the leader formed the Down-with-Imperialism Union and held up the red flag of the revolution. It was from then on that our Party began to strike strong root.

The history of our Party is the most glorious and brilliant history, and it has advanced under the red flag. The Party flag reflects the history of the great revolutionary activities of the leader.

Now is the time for us to hold the red flag higher. We should fight more staunchly to accomplish the cause of the leader, holding aloft the red flag of the revolution, whatever difficulties and trials may confront the revolution.

The leader, recollecting with deep emotion Kim Hyok and Cha Kwang Su, young communists in the early days of his revolutionary activities, told me to work at the Party Central Committee. When the leader yesterday appointed me to an office of the Party Central Committee I felt not only greatly honoured but

also a heavy responsibility for the Party and revolution. I resolved to support the leader faithfully and carry the destiny of the Party on my shoulders, true to his intention.

The Party Central Committee is the supreme General Staff of the Korean revolution: those of us who work there are career revolutionaries. Nothing is more honourable and glorious than to work close to the leader, who is the founder and great leader of our Party, as his revolutionary soldiers at the supreme General Staff of our revolution. There is nothing we cannot do if we cherish the honour and pride of being his revolutionary soldiers. Bearing the pride and dignity of being his revolutionary soldiers deep in their minds, the officials of the Party Central Committee should make positive efforts to fulfil their revolutionary duties. In particular, the officials of the Organizational Leadership Department of the Party Central Committee should be the first to start work in the morning, and they should at all times and in all places display their loyalty.

The foremost duty of the officials of the Party Central Committee is to support the leader faithfully. I will devote myself to supporting him faithfully as his soldier who, together with you, assists him in his work. When I was young, my mother told me time and again to grow up quickly so I could support the leader. I have never forgotten what she said. I used to feel uneasy at seeing the leader making such laborious efforts for the sake of the country and the people.

The leader has experienced manifold trials with the heavy burden of the revolution on his shoulders since the day when he set out on the road of revolution at a young age. He has not had a single day's rest since the postwar rehabilitation period, to say nothing of the days of the anti-Japanese armed struggle and the Fatherland Liberation War. He was so concerned about the wellbeing of the people that he gave on-site guidance in the countryside, walking along the ridges in paddy fields even on his birthday when he should be enjoying a rest amid the blessings of all the people across the country. Now, as I start work at the Party Central Committee, I intend to devote myself heart and soul to supporting the leader faithfully and relieving him of his worries and burden.

Anyone who has grown up in the embrace of the leader and works at the Party Central Committee, the supreme General Staff of the revolution, should strive to support him faithfully. The starting-point of the thought and activities of the officials of the Party

Central Committee should always be to support him more faithfully and ease his workload by thoroughly translating his thoughts and intentions into practice, and they should make this an integral part of their thinking. In other words, it should be their foremost duty to attend to and support him faithfully. Whenever they organize an undertaking, they should first think about him and do their utmost to support him faithfully.

In order to hold him in high esteem and realize his cause, we should strengthen the Party. Our Party is the party of the leader which he founded and leads, and it is a political organization fighting to realize his ideology and leadership. From the first day of its founding it has been the leader's party. The officials of the Party Central Committee should be fully aware of the roots of our Party. When we talk about our Party we cannot conceive of it apart from his name. As in the past, so in the future, too, our Party should be strengthened and developed into the glorious party of Comrade Kim Il Sung for all eternity. To strengthen and develop our Party into the party of Comrade Kim Il Sung forever–this is my lifetime task. We should bring this glorious cause to completion without fail.

If we are to develop our Party into the eternal party of Comrade Kim Il Sung, we should correctly define the major line in Party work and activities. The major line in Party work and activities is to establish his ideological system thoroughly. To establish his ideological system throughout the Party is the fundamental principle in Party building and activities and, as the most important undertaking, should be permanently adhered to throughout its existence and activities. Therefore, all Party work and activities should be geared to establishing the ideological system of the leader, supporting him more faithfully and carrying out his instructions.

The Organizational Leadership Department of the Party Central Committee plays a very important role in establishing his ideological system throughout the Party.

It is of key importance in Party organizational work to ensure that his instructions are carried out to the end without demur. This principle must be upheld consistently in Party organizational work. Without the undertaking to implement his instructions, Party organizational work is inconceivable. The Organizational Leadership Department of the Party Central Committee should organize its work with the

main emphasis on ensuring that Party organizations and officials in the units under its charge carry out the instructions the leader has given to their sectors and units.

To this end, the officials of the department should make the instructions of the leader their flesh and bones, guide the units under its charge with them as the yardstick, and take the lead in establishing the revolutionary climate of accepting without any condition his instructions and Party policy and carrying them out. However, at present, some of them give up implementing his instructions halfway on the orders of individual officials; they are quite wrong. To implement the instructions of the leader thoroughly is the foremost duty of cadres and other Party members. Officials should think and act as instructed by the leader. Nobody has the right to violate his instructions. As for the orders of individual officials, the officials of the Organizational Leadership Department should inquire into whether they are in line with the instructions of the leader or not, and if not, launch a strong struggle against them, instead of accepting them indiscriminately.

The cohesion and unity of the Party should be firmly cemented. The entire Party should be firmly

united, based on the ideology of the leader and with him as the centre. Since its founding our Party has made continuous efforts to oppose all kinds of anti-Party and counterrevolutionary ideological trends, including factionalism, revisionism and the worship of great powers in the Party, and to establish the Juche orientation, thus achieving the cohesion and unity of the Party. There is no guarantee that in the future anti-Party and counterrevolutionary ideological trends will not appear again in the Party, simply because its cohesion and unity has been achieved. We should further consolidate the Party's ideological and purposeful cohesion and unity centred around the leader and based on his ideology, staunchly defend it and thoroughly and promptly overcome, by launching uncompromising struggle, even the slightest expression of alien ideological elements such as factionalism and revisionism that hinder the unity of the Party.

The system and method of Party work should be improved decisively.

From long ago, the leader has clarified the system and method of Party work in the minutest detail and set a personal example. He always shared board and lodging with his men during the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle. Even now he leads the people by always mixing with them through ceaseless on-site guidance tours so as to inform the people of the Party's policies and listen to their opinions. However, the officials of the Party Central Committee do not go down to lower units to explain the Party's policies and rouse Party members and other working people to implement them, but instead they confine themselves to their offices, sending down instructions, demanding statistical reports and reproving lower units when they fail in something. The system and method of Party work still retain many elements of formalism and schematism. The leader is constantly worried about the poor state of Party work. That Party work is not done properly is mainly because Party officials still cling to the conventional working methods. Unless they rid themselves of the conventional working methods and set up a new system and method of Party work it will be impossible to conduct Party work as the leader intends and wishes. Recently I have been thinking a lot about how the old form of Party work can be smashed and the slate wiped clean. It is my intention and resolve to start afresh. Our Party officials should learn from the leader's experiences of Party building and his Party work method alone. Only then can they satisfactorily carry out their mission as officials of the WPK. We should establish a system and method of Party work whereby all Party officials, when new lines and policies are advanced by the Party, go down to lower units to explain and bring them home to Party members and other working people and rouse them to the effort to carry them out.

Guidance to the Party life of Party members is the basic mission of the Organizational Leadership Department. For it to solve all problems by giving guidance to the Party life of Party members is an important matter in view of its position and mission. Through this guidance it should ensure that the units under its charge translate the instructions of the leader into reality, and should get an understanding of the officials at these units. The officials of the department frequently go down to the units under their charge, but they lack a close familiarity with the people there; this means that they are guiding Party life in a formalistic way. Party life guidance through which they are failing to understand the people cannot be called guidance in Party life; it is nothing more than empty talk. They should intensify their guidance in Party life so as to gain a deeper understanding of people.

The official in charge of Party organizational work,

who is responsible for giving guidance to the Party life of Party members, should be more exemplary than anybody else in his Party life. If he does not make strong demands on himself and thinks and acts only from the position of guiding the Party life of others, his mind will become impaired and, in the long run, he will ultimately be unable to perform his mission as an official in charge of Party organizational work. The leader always sets a personal example in Party life. Whenever he returns from on-site guidance, he reports on the guidance to the Political Committee of the Party Central Committee and discusses new points he grasped before deciding on the measures to be taken by the Party and the state. We should learn from the lofty example set by the leader in Party life.

Let us join hands and carry on Party work in a proper way as intended and desired by the leader.

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