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# Kim Jong Un Guided Special Workshop for Officials in Party Life Guidance Sections of Organizational Departments of Party Committees at All Levels of WPK



The Special Workshop for Officials in the Party Life Guidance Sections of Organizational Departments of Party Committees at All Levels of the Workers' Party of Korea was held at the April 25 House of Culture between July 2 and 6.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, guided the special workshop.

General Secretary Kim Jong Un declared the opening of the Special Workshop for Officials in the Party Life Guidance Sections of Organizational Departments of Party Committees at All Levels of the WPK and made an important conclusion illuminating the unique ideas and theories on building the Party organizations at a new

historic stage of the Korean revolution.

Saying that the further the revolution advances, the more the responsible mission and important role of the Party life guidance sections are highlighted in ensuring the Party Central Committee's guidance over the Party organizations, making the Party an integral whole with a firm base and enlisting the masses in the implementation of the Party's policies, he stressed that it is the demand and principle kept in building the Party that its organizational departments should always take the lead in the work for strengthening the Party and the officials in the Party life guidance sections should be a standard-bearer in doing so.

Referring to the purport of convening the current workshop with special care in the wake of several conferences and inter-section workshops held as part of the work for improving the Party work method of Party departments and sections in recent years, he said that to enhance the working ability of the officials in the Party life guidance sections is surely an essential and revolutionary process in the course of strengthening the WPK into a promising, revolutionary and socialist ruling party with high fighting efficiency, adding that herein lies the significance of the special workshop.

In his conclusion, he clarified the main duty of the officials in the Party life guidance sections and four major principles and six

major tasks to be upheld and fulfilled in the Party life organization and guidance.

He stressed that it is the present main duty of the Party life guidance sections to fully ensure the Party Central Committee's leadership by thoroughly grasping and controlling the Party organizations at all levels and intensifying the Party life organization and guidance over officials and Party members.

Stressing repeatedly the importance of the responsibility and duty of the officials in the Party life guidance sections which should reliably defend the banner of Juche and stubbornly guide the Party organizations and masses of the people to the successful execution



of the Party's action programme, the General Secretary said that the fighting efficiency of the Party life guidance sections is precisely that of the organizational departments and the WPK.

Expressing the firm belief that the participants in the workshop would fulfil their core role in accomplishing the sacred cause of the Party, he ardently appealed to everyone to more energetically and resolutely struggle for the fighting efficiency of the ever-victorious Workers' Party of Korea, the great Kimilsungist-Kimjongilist Party, and for the strengthening and development of the great people's Party, rallying close in mind and purpose around the Party Central Committee.

At the workshop, Jo Yong Won, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and secretary for Organizational Affairs of the WPK Central Committee, made a report on the review of the work of the Party life guidance sections of organizational departments of Party committees at all levels, which was followed by speeches.

At the technical course the validity, scientific accuracy and vitality of the idea on building the Party organizations were explained theoretically and profoundly. It also dealt in detail with the ways for thoroughly applying in the practice of the Party work the tasks facing the Party life guidance sections.

General Secretary Kim Jong Un delivered an address closing the special workshop.

He stressed that the main idea and spirit of the special workshop is that the Party life guidance sections of the Party organizational departments at all levels should become the basic engine and pivot in steadily developing the WPK into a strong political leadership organization and proficiently organizing and mobilizing the Party organizations to the implementation of the Party's policies.

Urging the officials in the Party life guidance sections to redouble their efforts, mindful that their Party spirit and qualifications are appraised by how tangibly they implement the Party's policies in the units under their charge, to always examine, evaluate and deal with everything in the light of the Party's line and policies, and to guarantee the development of the work of the units under their charge and the perfect execution of the Party's decisions through strong control, guidance and endeavours, he stressed once again the important issues to be adhered to as an iron rule in Party life organization and guidance.

Expressing his belief that all the participants in the workshop would think and act true to the intention and idea of the Party Central Committee, firmly maintain their positions in the struggle for strengthening the entire Party and make devoted efforts for the development of the Party and the people's wellbeing with a fresh determination, strong will and new spirit, he declared the special workshop closed.







## Photo Session with Participants in Special Workshop

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on July 8 had a photo session with the participants in the Special Workshop for Officials in the Party Life Guidance Sections of Organizational Departments of Party Committees at All Levels of the WPK at the garden of the office building of the Party Central Committee.

He extended warm greetings of encouragement to the participants who put their heart and soul into preparing themselves to be competent political officials and true communists firmly armed with the revolutionary idea of the Party Central Committee and possessed of the revolutionary traits and leadership art of the Party during the workshop, bearing in mind the intention of the Party Central Committee that organized the special workshop at an



important and historic time when the Korean revolution has entered a new phase of development.

Expressing his expectations and conviction that all the participants would fulfil their important responsibilities by bringing about a radical turn in organizing and guiding the Party life of officials and other Party members, holding fast to the major four-point principles

and six-point tasks assigned at the workshop, he had a picture taken with them.

He met with the officials, who proved excellent at the examination of political and practical abilities held during the workshop, and posed for a photo with them.



# Fatherland Liberation War Martyrs Cemetery Visited on V-Day





to defend the country in the middle of the 20th century called the “century of war”, was a heroic legend unprecedented in the history of the Korean nation and the world revolution and a historic event which laid the groundwork for valour and mightiness of the newborn DPRK, noting this serves as our state’s and people’s best asset, a solid root for invincibility, that cannot be bartered for anything.

Stressing the need to always remember and creditably carry forward the heroic spirit and fighting traits of the great revolutionary generation, who laid firm foundations for an independent power with their devoted sacrifice and undying feats, as the country grows stronger, he affirmed that our country will always emerge victorious along with the miraculous victory when the entire Party, all the people and the whole army fully arm themselves with the indomitable fighting spirit of the forerunners and thoroughly apply it in practice.

## The General Secretary paid his high tribute to the martyrs of the great years who brought about the July 27 miracle, recorded as the eternal tradition of victory for the country and the nation

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, visited the Fatherland Liberation War Martyrs Cemetery on July 27, the 69th anniversary of victory in the great Fatherland Liberation War.

He was greeted by secretaries of the WPK Central Committee, commanding officers of the Ministry of National Defence,

commanders of the services of the Korean People's Army and military and political commanding officers of the KPA large combined units and combined units.

Kim Jong Un laid a flower before the cemetery and paid his high tribute to the martyrs of the great years who brought about the July 27 miracle, recorded as the eternal tradition of victory for the country and the nation, in the raging flames of the war with

absolute loyalty to the Party and the leader, love for their own things and confidence in their strength and victory.

There took place a march-past of the KPA guard of honour.

Kim Jong Un looked round the cemetery with the participants.

He said that the victory, won by the victorious wartime generation at the cost of their blood through the all-people resistance





**69TH ANNIVERSARY OF GREAT WAR VICTORY  
CELEBRATED WITH DIGNITY OF  
HEROIC KOREA AND HEROIC PEOPLE**





A grand event to celebrate the 69th anniversary of the great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War took place in front of the Monument to the Victorious Fatherland Liberation War in the capital city of Pyongyang.

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, attended the celebration event.

A ceremony of the commemorative event was held.

General Secretary Kim Jong Un and his wife Ri Sol Ju appeared at the event venue together with war veterans amid the playing of the welcome music.

Kim Jong Un warmly waved back to the enthusiastically

cheering participants, extending warm greetings to the war veterans across the country and all other people on the war victory day.

Invited to the event were participants in the Fatherland Liberation War.

Attending it were cadres of the Party and the government together with lecturers in the field of administration of revolutionary relics associated with victorious war, students of revolutionary schools, university students, officials of ministries and national agencies and Pyongyang citizens.

Also present were senior officials of the Ministry of National Defence, commanders of the services, military and political

commanding officers of large combined units and combined units and other officers and men of the Korean People's Army.

As the DPRK national anthem was played solemnly, the sacred national flag was hoisted up to the nocturnal sky of the war victory day.

Kim Jong Un made a significant speech commemorating the war victory day.

When he concluded the speech, thunderous cheers of the victorious wartime generation and their descendants rocked the sky and the earth again.

Amid the enthusiastic cheers, a spectacular fireworks display took place, and a unique performance began to commemorate the great

V-Day.

Put on the stage were wartime songs and excellent pieces of music widely sung as songs of struggle and faith in the annals of victory.

After the performance jubilant fireworks were set off again to decorate the nocturnal sky of the holiday beautifully.

Kim Jong Un warmly took the hands of war veterans following him step by step, expressing the conviction that the victory traditions and fighting traits of the great years would become a good nutrient for bringing up our people and younger generation to be indomitable patriotic fighters and an inexhaustible source of giving a steady birth to new victories and miracles.

# The Veterans of the Fatherland Liberation War Are the Most Heroic Generation of Our Republic

## Speech of Kim Jong Un at the Celebration of the 69th Anniversary of the Great Victory in the War

July 27, Juche 111 (2022)

Esteemed comrade veterans of the Fatherland Liberation War, Comrade lecturers and officials engaged in the administration of revolutionary relics associated with the victorious war, service personnel and students of universities and revolutionary schools present in this meaningful place with the revolutionary elders,

Dear Pyongyang citizens,

Dear all the other people,

Comrades,

This is the victorious July 27, which we have greeted again with a feeling of great pride and with precious memories.

Although as many as 25 203 days have passed since the birth of the epoch-making miracle, the delight in and glory of victory in the war are just as those of yesterday. As we have felt these feelings every year, our emotion and pride are also infinite again today.

Comrades,

I warmly congratulate you on the great Victory Day that brought imperishable glory and honour to our motherland.

Esteemed comrade war veterans,

The country's situation is difficult and recently we have experienced a public health crisis, but until today you have

maintained health in your precious bodies. I am very grateful for this.

Thank you, indeed.

Comrades,

At this moment the whole country is recollecting the glorious lives of the martyrs of the Korean People's Army and other revolutionary martyrs who dedicated their youth and lives in defence of the sovereignty and honour of their motherland, and is paying an ennobling tribute, praying for the immortality of their great souls and spirit.

Countless war martyrs, both sung and unsung, have left us and many war veterans are not with us in this place, but they all live in the embrace of the country they defended at the cost of their blood and lives, and they are greeting the glorious night with us at this moment.

Hoping that you, comrade war veterans, will live in good health and the conference of war veterans as glorious as this one will be held continuously, I, on behalf of the Workers' Party of Korea and the government, pay a noble tribute to the victors in the 1950s, who gave our people the privilege and infinite honour of celebrating the



great victory in the war year after year, and extend warm greetings to the war veterans and other people of wartime merits across the country, who laid the foundation of the existence and development of our socialist state and are still giving us an encouragement as a spiritual pillar.

My gratitude also goes to the family members of the war veterans and to all others who are devoting their efforts and sincerity for the preservation of health and the living of the war veterans.

Availing myself of this opportunity, I pay a noble tribute to the martyrs of the Chinese People's Volunteers, who shed their precious blood without hesitation sharing the same destiny as our soldiers and people in the same trench against the imperialists' aggression. I also send warm greetings to the veterans of the Chinese People's Volunteers.

Comrades,

Of all the meaningful and auspicious holidays of our state, July 27 is an extraordinarily dignified holiday in that we celebrate victory.

For every country and people, there is no other proud and brilliant glory and honour than the victory in a do-or-die war.

The past Fatherland Liberation War was, for our Republic, a war for defending the existence of its territory and people, as well as a fierce confrontation, the first of its kind after the Second World War, between the two poles, the democratic camp and the imperialist camp.

The fact that the US imperialists hurled not only their troops but also a large number of troops of their vassal states to the Korean front shows the fierce nature and international character of the Korean war.

The fight by the young army of the newly-emergent, two-year-old Republic against the imperialist aggressive army of the United States, which was the most ferocious on the earth, and its vassal forces was the one against too heavy odds.

However, as etched in history correctly, the arrogant aggressive ambition of the United States to occupy our territory at a stroke and expand the sphere of its influence met at its first step an unprecedentedly strong counterattack and terrific bravery and was completely frustrated with the signing of an armistice agreement after their three-year desperate war.

The military capability of the US imperialists and their allies

sustained a serious defeat in this war.

We defended the dignity, honour and sovereignty of our Republic, safeguarded the environment for the independent development of our state, checked the US ambition for world supremacy, and defended peace of mankind by preventing a new world war. Herein lies the great significance of the Fatherland Liberation War in the history of our nation and the world history of wars.

The great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War, in which we staunchly defended the most dangerous first line of the anti-imperialist struggle in an eastern part of the earth, is a victory of defenders over aggressors, a victory of justice and the progressive over injustice and the reactionary, and a victory of significance in human history, which proved the iron truth that no aggressors, however strong and superior they may be, cannot overwhelm an army and people that have turned out in a do-or-die resistance.

Those who wrought this legendary miracle are none other than you, war veterans present here, and the numerous comrades-in-arms you still recollect.

The numerous battles the brave defenders of the country fought under the hail of bullets and bombs in the war produced the priceless glory of victory, and the flag of our Republic, which they held in the vanguard of advance and which became redder by the precious blood of the sons and daughters of heroic Korea, became known to the whole world as a symbol of bravery, victory and justice and as an immortal banner of the anti-imperialist struggle.

Comrades,

The unyielding spirit of the war veterans, who unhesitatingly rose to the crisis of a life-or-death war in the grim times of the country, is felt more valuable now when the country is experiencing difficulties.

As everyone knows well, the veterans of the Fatherland Liberation War were quite ordinary young men and women, but they were laudable sons and daughters of the nation who were not ordinary at all in the battles for defending their country.

Simple as they were at workplaces and schools, they were courageous enough to volunteer to join the army and confront the aggressive army of the US imperialists. This was because they had a firm belief in their Party and government and a conviction that they would surely emerge victorious, as well as a strong will to safeguard their rights as the masters of their new country and new life.

With the love for their benevolent system, native homes, workplaces, parents and siblings and with the hatred against the enemy who were trying to deprive them of these all, our war veterans stoutly surmounted grim trials and heartrending pains of loss and displayed unequalled mass heroism, striking terror and despair into the hearts of the brutal and heinous invaders.

Our great Fatherland Liberation War clearly showed that something miraculous can be created when a people, though simple and ordinary, turn out in defiance of death to defend what belong to them.

Although they defended the dignity and honour, the territory and sovereignty of their country at the cost of their blood, our war veterans have continued to work selflessly, steadfastly, honestly and

devotedly for their country throughout their lives, setting a model of a patriotic life for posterity. Herein lie the true features of a human being, ennobling traits, which can be found only in them.

Our priceless socialist system and our great state of today, which is growing stronger, are unthinkable separated from the imperishable feats of the veterans of the Fatherland Liberation War, both sung and unsung, and the pure devoted service of the victorious wartime generation.

Indeed, the war veterans are the most heroic generation that laid an unbreakable foundation of our Republic in the face of upheavals of history, and they are models of the great, unyielding Korean people.

The loyalty, bravery and patriotism you have demonstrated throughout your life are now pulsating in the hearts of the tens of millions of people. Because our revolution has the great and excellent features created in the flames of the grim war in the 1950s as its genetic quality, it is indomitably carving out its cause by its own efforts down through generations without any setback or retreat in the face of difficulties.

Comrades,

For us, the V-Day is not merely a celebration day of commemorating and looking back to the chapter of resistance in the heroic era.

The day serves as a valuable and significant occasion for us to judge whether we can proudly say before the embodiment and witnesses of history, who brought about the greatest victory in the harshest and grimmest annals, that our current struggle is an inheritance of the great tradition and to renew confidence and courage, passion and mettle.

We are now entrusted with the heavy historic duty of exalting to the height of the current times the brilliance of the glory and honour which the victorious wartime generation achieved 70 years ago and of ensuring that they are stoutly inherited to the next generation.

Just as the victorious wartime generation did, so should we exert ourselves without let-up for the next generation.

To further consolidate the nation's defence capability on the strength of the heroic spirit displayed during the war is a fundamental guarantee for defending the national interests of the Republic and its independent development.

Our revolution has been in sharp confrontation with the United States which has bluntly resorted to nuclear threat against us since the Fatherland Liberation War. This historical environment demanded that we, above all else, raise our state's self-defence capability onto a due level, and we have realized this pressing historic task through an arduous struggle.

Our Republic has firmly safeguarded socialism and built up formidable self-defensive strategic potentials in the fierce confrontation with the United States, which spanned nearly 70 years after the war. This is a victory which is no inferior to, even greater than, the victory in the Fatherland Liberation War.

However, we cannot rest content with this.

The United States which did our nation the gravest harm in its modern history still perseveres with dangerous hostile acts against our Republic.

While instigating the south Korean authorities to suicidal anti-DPRK confrontation on the pretext of solidifying "alliance," the United States, in pursuit of military confrontation with us, persists in spreading groundless rumours of "threat" from us.

It is the US's habitual method of executing its policy to fabricate such rumours and spread them so as to make them sound authentic before using them as a justification for bringing pressure to bear upon us.

As they always did, the US imperialists have recently spread rumours against the DPRK in the international arena assiduously, describing our state as the "main culprit" in damaging the stability of the regional situation and as a "dangerous state."

The United States, while describing all the usual actions of our armed forces as "provocations" and "threats," is openly waging large-scale joint war games, which gravely threaten the security of our state. Such a double-dealing behaviour is just that of a gangster, and this is driving the DPRK-US relations to a limiting point, a point of fierce collision, which cannot be reversed any further.

The US imperialists are obsessed with making a "devil" of our state by manipulating the international understanding and opinion of it. This is nothing but a stereotyped method of camouflaging their aggressive nature as a world peace breaker and justifying their illegal hostile policy.

I have already made it clear that we should be ready both for talks and confrontation and more fully for confrontation in particular in order to reliably guarantee the security of our state.

The arrogant nature of the US imperialists has remained unchanged as ever.

We must confront the US imperialists to the end on the strength of ideology and arms.

I reaffirm that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is thoroughly prepared to cope with any kind of military clashes with the United States.

If the United States continuously attempts to impair the image of our state and make a serious infringement of our security and fundamental interests, it will only compel itself to put up with greater uneasiness and crises.

The government of our Republic would like to take this opportunity to send a serious warning to the south Korean conservative regime and its hawks that run amuck, indulged in abnormal excessive covetousness and confidence in strength, and stand in the van of implementing the US's hostile policy towards the DPRK.

Even tonight, nay, at this moment, when the fireworks light up the nocturnal sky in celebration of the V-Day, the hideous warmongers and rogues on the land south of the 250km-long front line, in a high fever of military craziness, are resorting to various military manoeuvres, which are threatening our state.

The south Korean conservative regime which took office this year

is resorting to the extremely atrocious confrontation policies towards their fellow countrymen and acts of worshipping big countries and selling the country. These policies and acts surpass those of any of the previous conservative regimes and driving the situation on the Korean peninsula into the brink of war.

The new south Korean regime has re-designated our government and army as their "archenemy" and, obsessed with useless fear that they must prepare themselves to confront their fellow countrymen, are raising the pitch of their malicious voices and resorting to all sorts of evil and inappropriate acts.

They are brazen-faced enough to advocate "peace based on strength" and "security based on strength," and have put up a bold front, claiming that they would not hesitate in launching a "preemptive strike" to neutralize the war deterrent of our state.

At this very moment, south Korea is growing more frantic to develop weapons and strengthen its defence industry in a bid to recover, even a little, its military inferiority as compared with ours, and it is planning to bring in nuclear strategic weapons of the United States in large numbers and expanding war drills under various pretexts.

However, we should see that the more frequent vainglorious remarks and various hues of shameful conducts recently made by the south Korean authorities with regard to their security come from their inevitable sense of uneasiness that they have to live under the very nose of a nuclear state.

This and that vainglorious remark by the south Korean authorities may be understood as reliable and steel-strong security and advanced military strength to the relief of their people, but to me, they are seen only as being so frightened and at their wits' end.

Having established the concept of what they call the "three military systems of the south Korean style," the south Korean authorities are making frantic efforts to promote their core fighting capacity. But south Korea cannot help but accept their military inferiority to us as their fate and it can never retrieve the inferiority at any time.

It is unreasonable and very dangerous self-destructive action to talk about military actions against our state which possesses absolute weapons that they are actually most fearful of.

If the south Korean regime and military ruffians think about confronting us militarily and that they can neutralize or destroy some parts of our military forces preemptively by resorting to some special military means and methods,

They are grossly mistaken!

Such a dangerous attempt will be punished at once by a powerful force and Yoon Suk Yeol regime and its army will be annihilated.

The conservative regime of south Korea must admit before too late that it has already gone too far from its beginning, and that it should think seriously upon the actions that may invite danger to itself.

We correctly remember what Yoon Suk Yeol said and did on several occasions before and after taking office.

We have also listened to the recent imprudent remarks made

by the military ruffians of south Korea, and are watching all the noteworthy military actions they conduct with the United States.

We can no longer sit around seeing Yoon Suk Yeol and his military gangsters' misdemeanours and blind bravery.

If they continue to commit the acts of today like aggravating military tension by carrying on picking a quarrel with our exercising of the right to self-defence and threatening our security by invoking the robber's logic, they will pay dearly for it.

If they are to get rid of the stigmas as a president on a chopping board and a regime exposed to the gravest peril, they should be more prudent and use their brains more than their mouths. And they are well advised to refrain from finding fault with us now and then; or not to deal with us at all may be a better way for them.

Comrades,

Our armed forces are now fully prepared to cope with any sort of crisis, and our state's nuclear war deterrent is also fully ready to demonstrate its absolute power accurately and promptly true to its mission.

I affirm that the safety of this land and the system and sovereignty of this country you, war veterans, defended at the cost of your blood are thoroughly guaranteed by more powerful self-defence capabilities and stout spirit.

We will grow stronger.

The government of our Republic will safeguard our state, people and sovereignty by dint of ever-growing, out-and-out military capabilities and a resolute anti-imperialist and anti-US spirit and approach to the south and the enemy.

The situation of our revolution, in which we should overpower and crush more thoroughly the enemy's desperate manoeuvres for arms race and dangerous military attempts, demands a more rapid change in our military capabilities. In order to carry out this responsible historic task, our Party Central Committee has recently decided on the tasks related to the strategy for developing the national self-defence capabilities, and is leading the effort for their accurate implementation.

War is a merciless conflict between forces. Its victory, however, always is in store for the side that is possessed of fervent love and strong faith. This truth can never be changed even in today's warfare, in which state-of-the-art military techniques are mobilized in full force.

Our People's Army will keep channelling its main efforts into fully displaying its political and ideological superiority, the source of its mightiness and invincibility. By doing so, it will grow into the world's strongest army that demonstrates its formidable striking power with a steadfast revolutionary spirit, unparalleled bravery and indefatigable fighting spirit.

As the victorious wartime generation did, so should all the people associate all their personal joys and sorrows with the destiny of the country, brave all hardships in the way of advance with the spirit of devoting sincerity on the patriotic road and strive for socialist construction with unyielding will.

When we achieve innovative successes at our posts and workplaces with thoroughgoing class consciousness, always mindful of the fact that the anti-imperialist class struggle is a struggle for defending not only our destiny but also our country, this will accelerate our creation and construction and deal heavier blows at the hostile forces.

Those who have to inherit the heroic spirit of the victorious wartime generation splendidly and adorn the future of the country with great victory are none other than our rising generations.

Our Party and government will always give priority to preparing the millions of young people to be ardent revolutionaries and patriotic fighters who will stoutly carry forward the spiritual baton bequeathed to them by the war veterans.

Like the war veterans who demonstrated how one should be brave in the theatres of war and defend their national flag, young people should all devote their burning hearts to the sacred road of national defence; they should also glorify theirs as another new heroic era by performing miracles and labour feats with youthful passion and mass heroism on all fronts of socialist construction.

The lecturers and officials across the country in the sector of administration of revolutionary relics associated with the victorious war must fulfil their responsibility and duties as powerful disseminators and educators in deeply implanting the outstanding exploits of Comrade Kim Il Sung and our Party that led the war to victory and the heroic fighting spirit of the defenders of the country in the 1950s in all the people, service personnel and rising generations.

Comrades,

Although time passes and rivers and mountains change, one generation is replaced by another, forming a single living organism with the same blood and with inexhaustible vitality connected with the heroic fighting spirit—this is the source of indomitable strength peculiar to our state and our people.

Our Republic that invariably carries forward the history and tradition of the great victory in the war will be ever-victorious.

The exploits of the war veterans, who saved our state and nation and defended their future in the grimmest years, will remain forever along with our Republic that will be ever prosperous.

Esteemed comrade war veterans,

By carrying forward the souls and spirit of the heroic wartime generation and struggling more powerfully and bravely, we will build without fail a powerful and prosperous socialist paradise on this land which you defended.

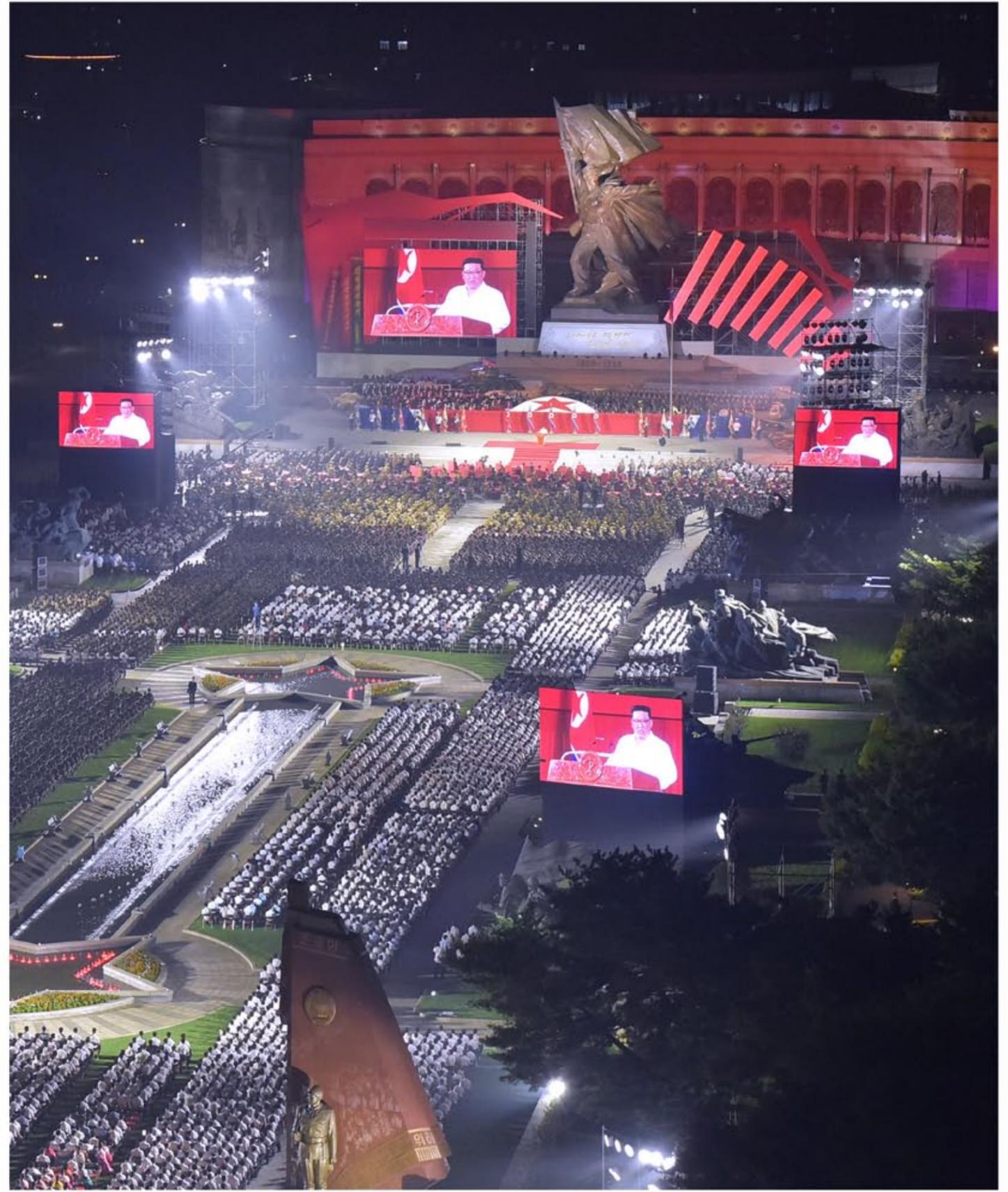
I say once again: Even if you do nothing more than remain healthy, that will be a great encouragement to us.

Asking you once again to be careful with your health, I sincerely wish every one of you a long life.

Comrades,

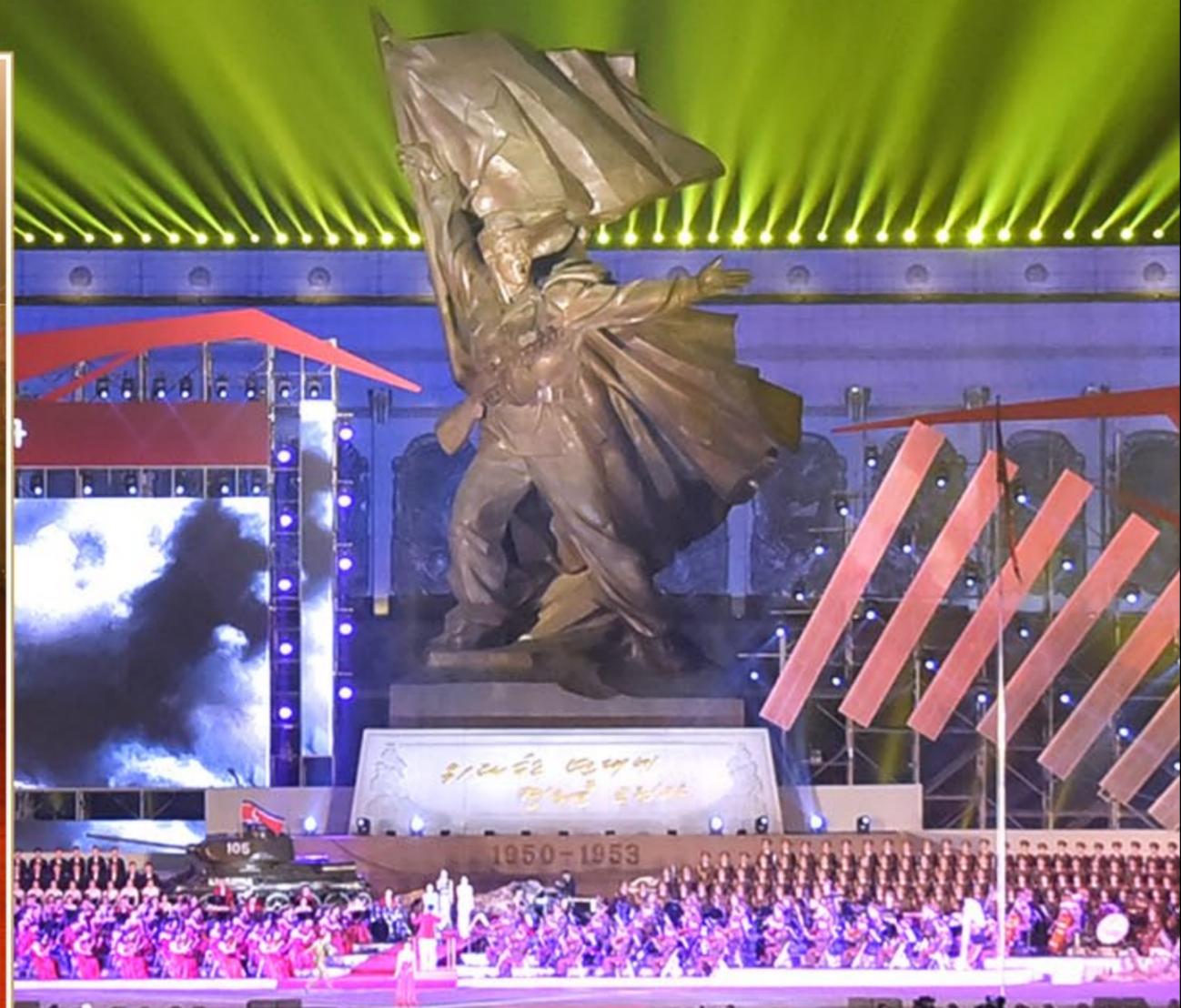
Long live our great July 27!

Long live the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, our glorious motherland!









Wartime songs and excellent pieces of music widely sung as songs of struggle and faith in the annals of victory were put on the stage in a unique performance held to commemorate the great V-Day.











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Combat pilots of the KPA air force units, which were awarded the guard unit titles during the Fatherland Liberation War, demonstrated their aviation skills.



Fireworks were gorgeously displayed in the sky as congratulatory bouquets to the victorious wartime generation.

# Friendship Tower Visited

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, visited the Friendship Tower in Pyongyang on July 28 on the occasion of the great war victory day.

A wreath in the name of Kim Jong Un was laid at the tower amid the playing of the wreath-laying music.

Also laid there were wreaths in the name of the WPK Central Committee and the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK.

Written on the ribbons of the wreaths were the letters reading: "Martyrs of the Chinese People's Volunteers will always be alive."

Kim Jong Un paid high tribute to the martyrs of the Chinese People's Volunteers who unsparingly shed their valuable blood in the same trenches for repulsing the imperialist aggression for the sake of the common cause.

There was a march-past of the guard of honour of the Korean People's Army.

Kim Jong Un went round the Friendship Tower together with accompanying cadres.

He said that the brilliant combat merits and feats of the CPV officers and men, vividly recorded in the history of the great victory in the Fatherland Liberation War, would be immortal and that the DPRK-China friendship, sealed in blood and further cemented in all sorts of trying ordeals of history, would be carried forward and developed generation after generation along with the dynamic advance of the socialist cause.



# Photo Session with Lecturers Engaged in Administration of Revolutionary Relics Associated with Victorious War



On July 28 Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, met and had a photo taken with lecturers engaged in the administration of revolutionary relics associated with the victorious war who participated in the Eighth National Conference of War Veterans at the Victorious Fatherland Liberation War Museum.

When the General Secretary arrived at the central hall of the museum, all the participants shouted "Hurrah!"

He extended warm greetings of encouragement to the lecturers who have sincerely performed their duties as the frontline soldiers and guards in the field of ideological education with high pride of defending the sacred places associated with the glorious and revolutionary exploits of President Kim Il Sung who won brilliant victory in the Fatherland Liberation War.

Saying that the lecturers engaged in the administration of revolutionary relics associated with victorious war are the direct performers and cores who provide the masses with a full understanding of the Party's leadership history for war victory, he called on them to give popular, vivid, honest and impressive lectures with their high politico-theoretical level, skilful art of lecturing and extensive knowledge and thus firmly prepare the people, service personnel, youth and students as resolute revolutionaries who devote themselves to the Party and the country like the first and second generations of the revolution.

Expressing the conviction that the lecturers and officials engaged in the administration of revolutionary relics associated with victorious war who take an important share in glorifying the traditions of the great victory through generations would make greater achievements in the preservation of revolutionary sites and education, not forgetting the Party's expectation for them even a moment, he had a photo session with them.

## Photo Session with Participants in Eighth National Conference of War Veterans

On July 28 Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, met and had a photo session with the participants in the Eighth National Conference of War Veterans who significantly commemorated the great V-Day before the Monument to the Victorious Fatherland Liberation War.

When Kim Jong Un arrived at the venue, all the participants raised enthusiastic cheers for him, the peerlessly iron-willed commander and the ever-victorious banner who adds lustre to the tradition of victory and the heroic spirit of July 27 that brought immortal glory and honour to the country century after century and who fully demonstrates to the world the dignity and

mightiness of socialist Korea.

He again paid his deep respects to the Fatherland Liberation War veterans who defied death to repel the gangster-like US imperialists' aggression in the hard-fought revolutionary war unprecedented in history by rendering their distinguished military services at the cost of their blood and set a good example to be followed by the rising



generations in defending the country and the revolution and fighting a sacred class war and are still now serving as the inexhaustible strength and mental mainstay of the Party and people that can never be substituted by anyone, though their hair turned grey.

Saying that everything dear to the dignified socialist Korea is associated with the immortal feats of the defenders of the country in the 1950s, he stressed that the precious ideological and moral wealth of the generation who won the victory in the war serves as the blood and flesh of the descendants and as a nutrient for their true life and struggle and therein lies the source of invincibility of the country.

He had a photo session with the war veterans, expressing his firm will to turn the land of the country, defended and ardently loved by the generation of war victors at the cost of their lives, into a powerful and eternally prosperous socialist paradise where all the people enjoy a happy life.

At the end of the photo session, all the participants again broke into cheers of "Hurrah!"

Kim Jong Un warmly held the hands of war veterans coming near to him with tears of emotion and extended warm greetings to them for a long time as a token of his wish for their longevity in good health.



# ***Congratulations to Victors in Great Years!***

Amid the vigorous advance to open up the broad avenue for socialist victory under the guidance of the Workers' Party of Korea, the people of the DPRK significantly celebrated the 69th anniversary of victory in the Fatherland Liberation War with the high pride of heroic Korea, heroic people they have kept from one decade to the next and from one century to the next.

Officials, working people, youth and students, and service personnel visited the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, supreme sanctuary of Juche, where President Kim Il Sung and Chairman

Kim Jong Il are preserved in their lifetime appearance, and their statues across the country to pay their boundless reverence to them.

The Eighth National Conference of War Veterans took place in Pyongyang amid noble respect and congratulations offered to war veterans by all the people of the country.

A congratulatory message from the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea to the war veterans throughout the country greeting the great war victory day was read out at the conference.



Participants in the Eighth National Conference of War Veterans arrived in Pyongyang amid warm congratulations of the whole country.



## Eighth National Conference of War Veterans Held

The conference fully demonstrated ardent enthusiasm of the participants to firmly trust and follow the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un with a single mind and develop socialist Korea, defended and established by the generation of war victors at the cost of their blood, into a thriving powerful country.

Participants in the Eighth National Conference of War Veterans visited the Revolutionary Martyrs Cemetery on Mt Taesong, the Patriotic Martyrs Cemetery in Sinmi-ri and the Fatherland Liberation War Martyrs Cemetery to pay tribute to their old commanding officers and comrades-in-arms who shared weal and woe in the flames of the war.

On the occasion of war victory day many people paid floral tribute to the martyrs' statues and cemeteries, memorial towers and cemeteries for the fallen soldiers of the KPA in different parts of the country.



Marking V-Day, national flags were hoisted at institutions, industrial establishments and households across the country.

Colourful celebration performances staged at central and provincial theatres revved up the festive atmosphere.

Public service amenities in Pyongyang and provinces were seething with people receiving various holiday services, while recreation facilities were full of children and other people having a pleasant time.

Meetings with war veterans were held, and many people, including youth and students, visited the houses of war veterans.

A gala evening of youth and students took place in Pyongyang on July 27.

Celebratory dancing parties of youth and students and women's union members were held in provincial seats, cities and counties all across the country, adding festive mood.



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A round-table talk and joint meeting held between war veterans and members of the trade union and women's union

**The national flag of the DPRK was handed over to young people at a meeting of the youth and students with war veterans.**



# Evening Gala of Youth and Students Celebrated 69th Anniversary of V-Day



Colourful cultural events took place to commemorate the V-Day.



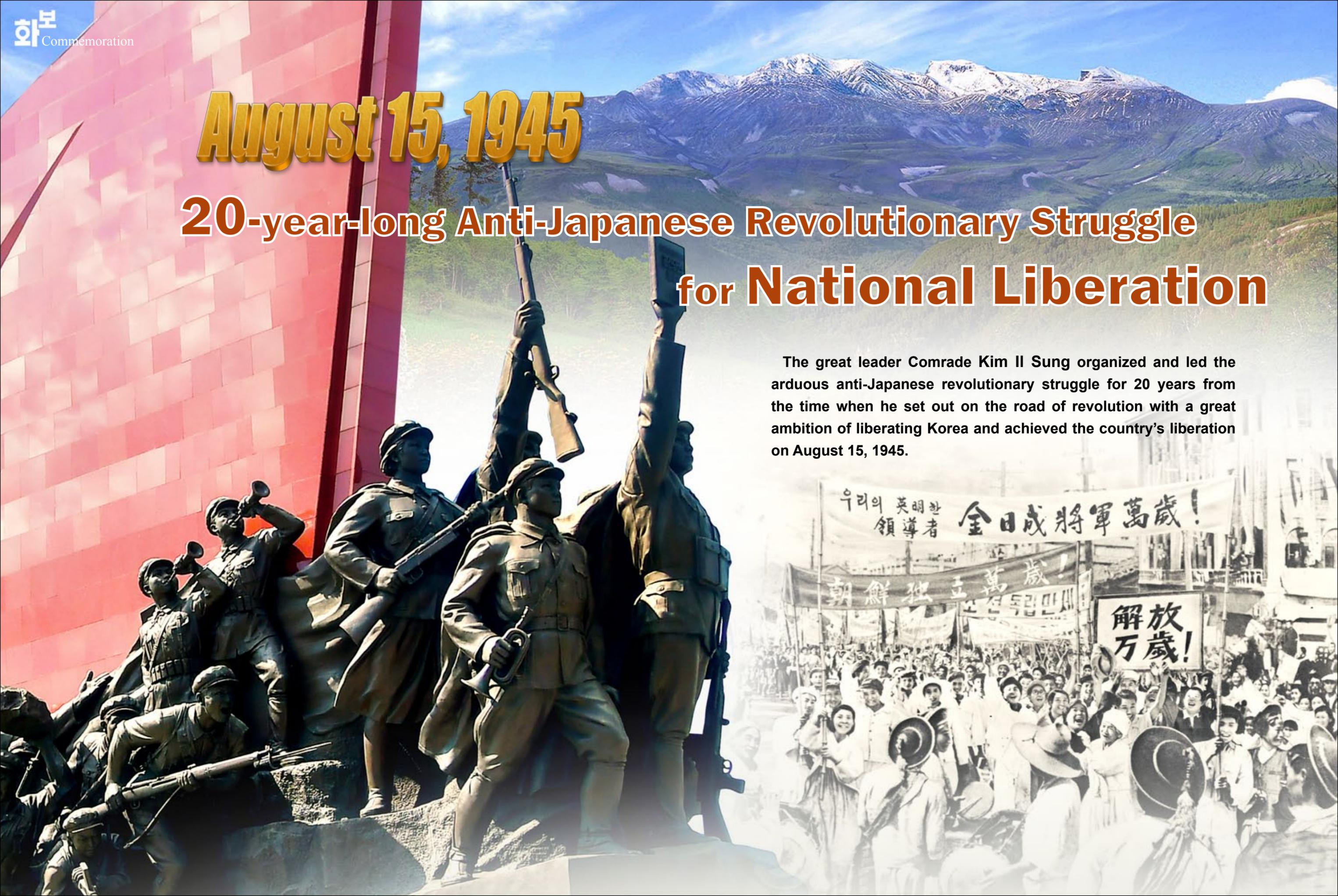
Participants in the Eighth National Conference of War Veterans spent pleasant days at the Yangdok Hot Spring Resort as they received treatment as honoured guests.



# August 15, 1945

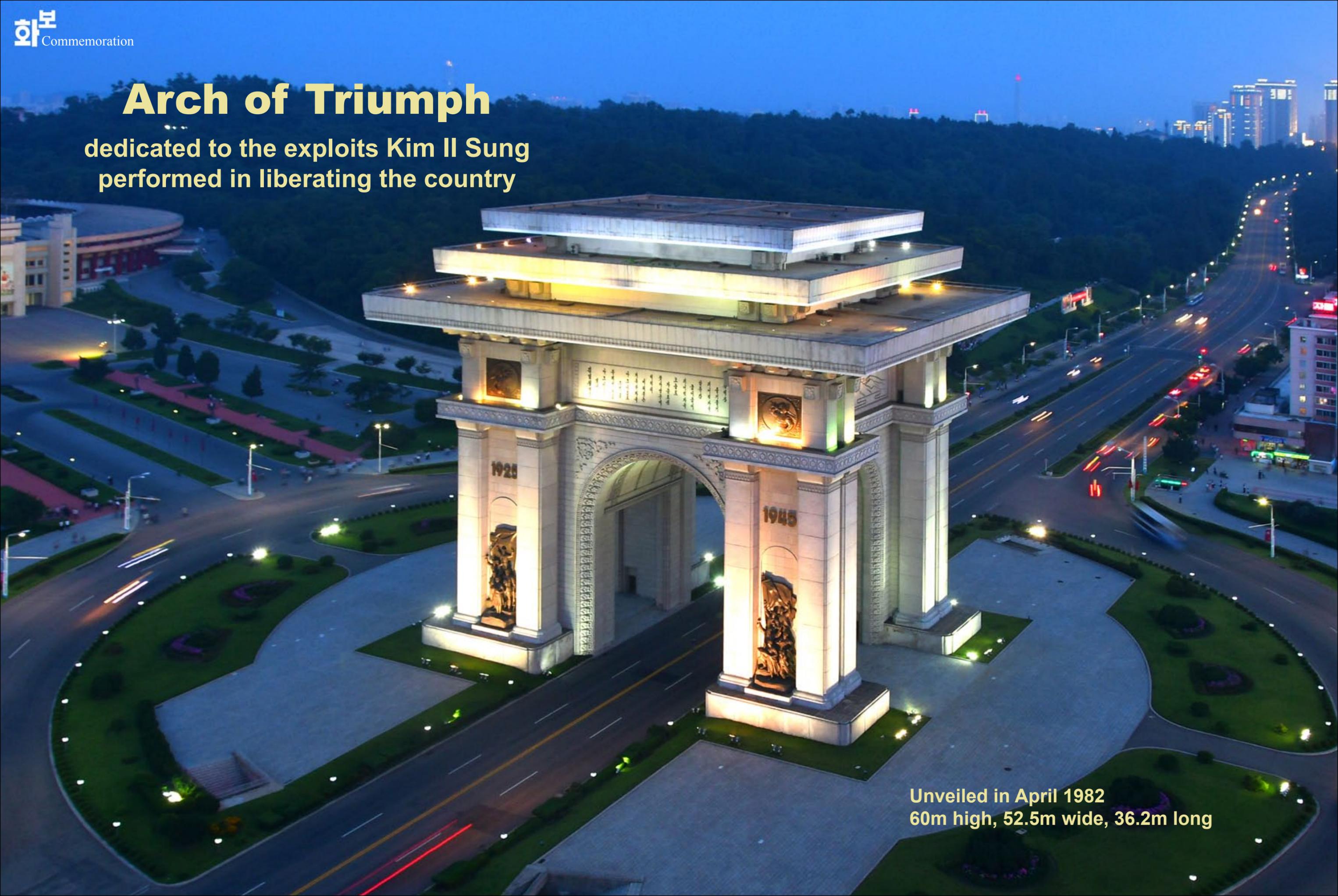
## 20-year-long Anti-Japanese Revolutionary Struggle for National Liberation

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung organized and led the arduous anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle for 20 years from the time when he set out on the road of revolution with a great ambition of liberating Korea and achieved the country's liberation on August 15, 1945.



# Arch of Triumph

dedicated to the exploits Kim Il Sung  
performed in liberating the country



Unveiled in April 1982  
60m high, 52.5m wide, 36.2m long

# Songhwa Street Overflowing with Happiness

At its Eighth Congress held in January last year the Workers' Party of Korea made a bold decision to build 50 000 flats in Pyongyang in the coming five years so as to successfully solve the housing shortage of capital citizens.

As its first step, the ground-breaking ceremony for the project for building a street with 10 000 flats and service amenities in the Songsin and Songhwa area of east Pyongyang took place in the following March. It was a clear manifestation of the strong faith of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un that the things desired and anticipated by the people must be done without fail in any situation.

He delivered a stirring speech at the ground-breaking ceremony, thus inspiring the builders with vigour and courage, went over the construction project in a detailed way, ranging from examination of plans and designs, formation of construction forces, execution of building work, and supply of raw materials, and even took care of the living conditions of the builders.

Soldier-builders, the main force of the construction, created new legends and miracles in construction holding high the flag of the headquarters of the project for building 50 000 flats in Pyongyang as the banner of victory.

Thanks to the efforts of all the builders who launched a loyal offensive and a fierce 24-7 struggle in the construction field, Pyongyang citizens and young people who volunteered to help builders after finishing their daily work, and other workers across the country who increased their production, the new street rose as a monumental edifice.

Last March the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspected the construction site nearing completion and, envisaging the people who would soon move into new houses, was greatly satisfied as their own father would do.

In April a grand inauguration ceremony of Songhwa Street, with 160 odd blocks of skyscraping and high-rise apartment buildings and public buildings occupying a total building space of over a million square metres, was held. And the working people moved into modernly-furnished flats that were given to them free of charge.

It is the constant policy of the DPRK to provide its people with houses free of charge. However, that such a magnificent street appeared despite difficult conditions and ordinary working people became its owners greatly impressed people.

*Photo: Hwang Jong Hyok  
Text: Kang Su Jong*





This is the second house I was given after my discharge from military service as an honoured disabled soldier. My new flat is on the low floor and is very sunny. I am again deeply moved by the affection the Party and the state have shown on me.

**Jang Hong Chol, 39, honoured disabled soldier and worker living in Flat No. 1 on the 1st Floor, Entrance No. 2, Building No. 3, Songsin-dong No. 1**



I still remember the excitement I felt at the inauguration ceremony last April. I never dreamt that an old widow like me would receive such a magnificent flat from the state.

**Jong Sun Ok, 71, resident of Flat No. 3 on the 7th Floor, Entrance No. 1, Building No. 1, Songhwa-dong No. 1**





My threesome family—wife, son and me—moved into this new flat.  
Last June my son greeted his first birthday, and many people visited our home and warmly congratulated us.

**Ri Chung Gil, 32, worker living in Flat No. 4 on the 4th Floor, Entrance No. 2, Building No. 4, Songhwa-dong No. 1**



I am merely an ordinary worker, but I have received such wonderful flat. I will repay this benefit by doing good deeds for the society and collective.

**Jong Il Hyon, 32, worker living in Flat No. 1 on the 8th Floor, Entrance No.2, Building No. 3, Songsin-dong No. 1**



My wife and son say it is so convenient that commercial service facilities and recreational spots are near the apartment. We lead a happy life in the new flat without any worries or inconvenience.

**Choe Kwang Chol, 40, worker living in Flat No. 1 on the 9th Floor, Entrance No. 2, Building No. 3, Songsin-dong No. 1**









# Munsu Water Park

The Munsu Water Park, inaugurated in 2013, is a favourite haunt for people all the year round.



In this midsummer Munsu Water Park occupying a wide area on the bank of the Taedong River in Pyongyang is full of merry and boisterous people.

Regardless of young and old, they jump into the pools to cool their hot bodies, making loud splashes.

People are seen everywhere in the water park.

Some dive from the high diving tower, showing off their skills and drawing the admiration of the onlookers, but seeing others, though they climb up to the tower on impulse, hesitate to jump into the water evokes laughter.

It is also a spectacular sight to see those gliding down steep waterslides





with loud exclamations, others disporting themselves in the wave pool, and children romping merrily in the children's water park furnished with amusement facilities.

There are people on the buoyant equipment in the drifting pool, and young people are playing sports games enthusiastically in the outdoor playing ground.

Realizing that they have already spent two hours in such a fascinating water palace, many people want to stay longer.

Seen at the resting places and stalls laid out in the water park are those drinking refreshing beverages.

As summer advances and severe heat continues, a growing number of people are visiting the Munsu Water Park, a wonderful summer resort built in 2013.

*Photo: Ri Chol Jin  
Text: Pak Ui Chol*





Nobody wants to leave the water park



# Natural Health Drink UNJONG TEA



**Green tea is typical of Unjong teas.**

It contains vitamins, so drinking it makes people feel refreshed and enhance locomotive power.

It promotes metabolism, brightens skin and acts against cancer.

Drinking it regularly is especially good for those with high blood pressure.

**It is an ideal tea as it can be drunk when it is cool or warm according to the seasons and also conveniently in any place.**



# Tree Saplings of Good Species Are Produced

## -At Tree Nursery No. 122-

**T**ree Nursery No. 122 in Kwangchon-ri, Hwangju County in North Hwanghae Province, occupies 200 hectares in a valley surrounded by three low hills, some 150 hectares of which is a forest section.

In 2016 it reconstructed a 20-hectare production section, which has all processes and facilities for sorting, treating and sowing seeds, growing saplings and packing them, producing substrates and storing

saplings, thus putting sapling production on a scientific, industrial and intensive footing.

Greenhouses and cultivating grounds are provided with suitable conditions and environment for growing saplings by monitoring temperature, humidity, light, amount of CO<sub>2</sub> concentration, ventilation, irrigation and application of nutritive solutions through integrated manufacturing system.





The tree nursery is also staffed with competent research personnel to lead the development and dissemination of forestry science.

It is positively introducing modern scientific achievements and experiences gained in practice so as to steadily increase sapling production.

In recent years alone, a windbreak forest with 180 000 trees was newly created and a storehouse with a capacity of several millions of saplings built.

And many successes were made in raising the level of science, industrialization and intensity in growing saplings, including the improvement of seed treatment and sowing processes by the nursery's own efforts and technology.

The tree nursery produces 20 million tree saplings every year for the forest restoration campaign in full swing across the country.

*Photo: Choe Won Chol  
Text: Kim Son Gyong*



General control room



Saplings are grown in a scientific way



The tree nursery increases production of saplings by automatically monitoring temperature, humidity, light, the amount of CO<sub>2</sub>, ventilation and application of nutritive solutions.



Sapling packaging



Sowing line



The tree nursery produces over **20 million** tree saplings of good species every year.



Hwang Yong Mi, People's Athlete, is the first generation of women Taekwon-Do players in the DPRK.

Born into a soldier's family as the only daughter, Hwang was so musical in her childhood that she seemed destined to become an artiste. Athlete was the last thing on the mind of her parents when envisaging their daughter's future career.

However, Hwang's physical education teacher in the middle school led her to the sports field, and Hwang took up volleyball. She soon distinguished herself, and after graduating the middle school she played volleyball for a sports club.

When public interest in Taekwon-Do increased in the mid-1980s, Hwang made up her mind to devote herself to the development of the national martial arts.

She and other ten girls practised Taekwon-Do skills under the guidance of competent coaches. After six months of assiduous training she obtained the first dan of Taekwon-Do.

In 1987 Hwang took part in the 5th Taekwon-Do World Championships, the first international competition for the DPRK.

In the championships she gave the fullest play to her abilities at every event. In the team sparring finals she defeated her opponent with 20kg more of weight. In the following power breaking event she broke five pine boards with her powerful spin kick and won the first place. Her consecutive successes struck Taekwon-Do practitioners and amateurs from many countries with admiration. She snatched three gold medals



Hwang won three gold medals at the Fifth Taekwon-Do World Championships

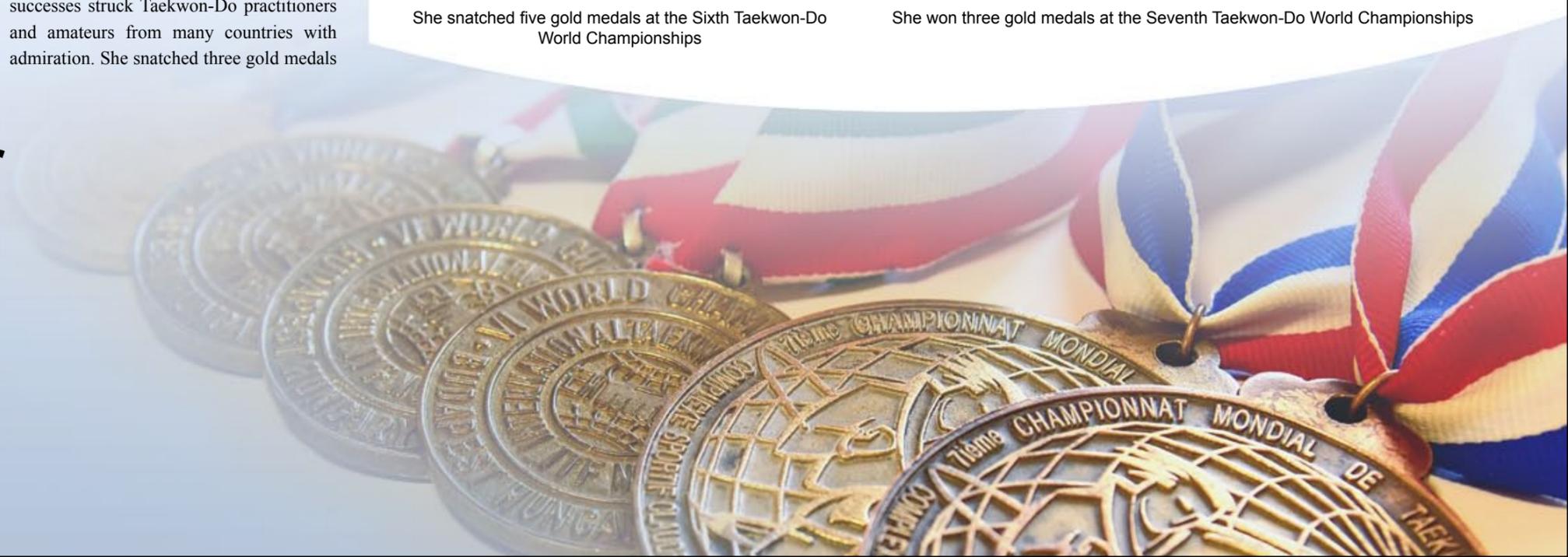


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She won three gold medals at the Seventh Taekwon-Do World Championships

# World Taekwon-Do Star Hwang Yong Mi





in the championships, and the DPRK topped the country rankings.

Afterwards, Hwang won eight gold medals in the 6th and 7th world Taekwon-Do championships.

After her retirement as the player in 1996, she worked as a coach.

During her 11-year coaching career at the team under the Korean Taekwon-Do Committee, she participated in the five world championships with her players and hoisted the national flag high in the international arena.

She was awarded the prize of the top woman coach at the 13th World Taekwon-Do Championships held in Greece in June 2003.

She produced six People's Athletes and 14 Merited Athletes, and she herself was conferred the title of Labour Hero of the DPRK.

Since 2020 she works as a senior official of the Korean Taekwon-Do Committee.

*Photo: An Chol Ryong  
Text: Kim Son Gyong*



She is now working heart and soul to train reserve Taekwon-Do players



Some of the trophies Hwang won at international games





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