

Massive military parade held to climax KPRA's 90th anniversary celebrations



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All the civilians and service personnel in the DPRK, who have striven to fulfil the dreams and ideals of a powerful

nation and accomplish the great cause of building a prosperous country with strong army under the guidance of the great Workers' Party of Korea injecting eternal lifeblood into the Juche

revolution pioneered in Mt Paektu, commemorated the auspicious day of significance in the nation's history when their revolutionary armed forces took roots, full of boundless pride and

confidence.

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Marshal Kim Jong Un makes speech at military parade held in celebration of 90th founding anniversary of KPRA

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, president of the State Affairs of the DPRK and supreme commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, made a speech at the military parade held in celebration of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army (KPRA) on April 25 Juche 111(2022).

The following is the full text of the speech:

All the brave officers and men of the armed forces of our Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Officers and men of the units participating in the military parade,

Comrade war veterans, exemplary soldiers and merited persons invited to this square of celebration,

Esteemed Pyongyang citizens, Dear comrades,

Today we are holding a grand military parade in celebration of an anniversary, significant and glorious for our great Party, state and people.

At this moment overflowing with the glory of the long history of our army building, we are all here filled with a great pride in having the armed forces that firmly defend the Party, the revolution, the country and the people and reliably guarantee peace and stability.

Seeing the dependable elite units massed in this Kim Il Sung Square with their victorious colours and feeling, through them, the level of the modern character of the armed forces of our Republic, all the people across the country will realize once again the profound and great significance the birth of their country's first genuine armed forces 90 years ago had in the history of our revolution and nation and will have in the future development of our state and people.

The founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army was an event of national significance that declared a death-defying resistance against imperialism under the unfurled banner of winning national liberation and independence by our own efforts, as well as a historic event that ushered in a new era of the Juche revolution that relies on powerful revolutionary armed forces.

The major meaning of this event is not confined only to the fact that our people, who were forced to live a pitiable life in the turmoil of history, could have their



own national army and the hope of their revival; it also lies in the fact that the event declared at home and abroad the steadfast idea of anti-imperialist revolution of the Korean revolutionaries to settle accounts to the end and by force of arms with those who infringed upon the dignity and sovereignty of our nation and their unyielding will to win the people's freedom and liberation and the revolution's victory without fail by the internal forces.

History has clearly proved that this determination and will the Korean revolutionaries opted for to carve out the destiny and future of their people was absolutely correct.

The revolutionary weapons the fine sons and daughters of our people held aloft in the forests of Paektu were an expression of the soaring spirit of independence of the Korean nation, their hope and the great banner of their unity, as well as the force that loaded the mettle of self-dependence and Herculean strength in the tear-stained fists of the Korean people.

Thanks to these armed ranks, a far-reaching plan

of the Korean revolution was matured, the unyielding spirit and formidable strength with which to prevail over the imperialist tyranny were nurtured, and the great traditions, basic and everlasting in the development of our revolution, were created.

The ideology, faith and traditions, which our revolutionary army cherished and succeeded from the outset of its founding, constituted the basis of the spiritual strength and ever-victorious guarantee that made it possible to display an undying heroic and self-sacrificing spirit in defending the Party, the revolution, the territory and the people in the fiercest-ever anti-imperialist confrontation, in the first line of grim class struggle and in the ever-changing circumstances of history, mindful of its intrinsic revolutionary and class nature and mission. This army achieved the great cause of the country's liberation and nation's revival through an unprecedented bloody struggle, repulsed the armed aggression by the US-led allied imperialist forces and defended with honour the sovereignty, dignity and safety of the country with an unrivalled heroic spirit; it has recorded ever-victorious feats while defending the ruling Party, the government, the territory and the

people throughout the historical course of the socialist revolution and construction with an ennobling self-sacrificing spirit. Our Party and people regard it as a source of their greatest honour and pride to have such a brave, steely and loyal army.

All our priceless gains, plus everything else on this land, are associated, first of all, with the services of our revolutionary army. This we should keep in mind.

Not only as the main force for national defence but also as a powerful force for national development, our revolutionary army, true to the Party's intentions, has always made devoted efforts to carry out the ambitious revolutionary undertakings aimed at attaining lofty ideals. By doing so, it has performed such great exploits, which no others could do, in creating a new history of socialist construction and enhancing the dignity and honour of our great state. Regarding it as its lifeblood and top honour to be faithful to the Party, the government and the people, our revolutionary

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army has kept the lineage of the Korean revolution safe and sound and defended the ideology and cause of the Workers' Party of Korea resolutely, and reliably guaranteed the existence and development of our state and the welfare of our people. Thanks to these exploits of lasting value it has performed over the past 90 years, the annals of the Korean revolution spanning a century are resplendent with victory and glory.

We will remember for all ages that our great armed forces have always opened up the way for advance in the vanguard at each of the difficult revolutionary stages and that the glorious and worthwhile victories of our Republic have been won at the cost of the priceless blood and sweat our revolutionary army shed and the noble self-sacrifice it made.

The glorious history of our armed forces is embodied in the proud and honourable successors, that is, the officers and men from the elite units of the Republic's armed forces, who will march in fine array across this square of victors, and all other soldiers standing guard at the air, ground and naval posts and performing feats of labour at sites of grand socialist construction throughout the country.

Availing myself of this meaningful opportunity, I, on behalf of our Party and government, would like to pay noble tribute to the anti-Japanese revolutionary forerunners and martyrs of the People's Army, who dedicated their precious lives in the struggle for national sovereignty and independence and the people's liberation, for the build-up of the revolutionary armed forces and for the victorious advance of the socialist cause. I also offer hearty congratulations to all the officers and men of the Korean People's Army and all other members of the armed forces of our Republic, who are making a great journey of faithful succession to their revolutionary forerunners.

In addition, I would like to offer heartfelt thanks to all the families on this land, which have had their dear husbands and children stand at the forefront of national defence.

Comrades,

The glorious 90-year journey our revolutionary armed forces have made safeguarding the prosperity and development of the country by force of arms should be continued for another hundred, nay a thousand years.

In the era we are living in now, we should continue to exalt the glory of the powerful army and change to be more powerful at a fast speed incomparable with the past 90 years.

In the present world where different forces collide fiercely with one another, a nation's dignity and sovereignty and reliable genuine peace are guaranteed by powerful defence capability that can overpower any enemy.

We should continuously grow stronger.

There is no satisfaction or accomplishment in cultivating strength for defending ourselves, and, whoever we confront, our military supremacy should be more secure.

The revolution demands this, and the future of all the generations to come depends upon this.

Our general line of building the revolutionary armed forces is to make the People's Army an ever-victorious army.

An ever-victorious army—this must be the eternal name of our People's Army and shine as a priceless honour belonging only to our revolutionary armed forces.

The People's Army should hold fast to our Party's orientation and general line of army building and dynamically open up a new phase of its development.

To do so, it should define it as the core target to strengthen itself politically and ideologically and make itself strong in military technology, and give a stronger impetus to consolidating itself into an army, strong in ideology and faith, which is absolutely loyal to the leadership of the Workers' Party of Korea and boundlessly faithful to its revolutionary cause and into an elite force possessed of courage, capability and self-confidence for responding to any type of war and crisis without any hesitation.

Strengthening it politically and ideologically is the main aspect and first strategic task of our building of the army.

The political and ideological preparedness of the army and the ideological and spiritual preparedness of the masses of the soldiers, the motive force of the armed forces, are basic in the effort to make our revolutionary army fulfil its mission as the army of the Party, people and class and actively respond to any type of war and crisis.

The staunch revolutionary spirit and class awareness of the army we have to further cultivate in the future will play a decisive role in building up the fighting efficiency of our army and defence capabilities of the nation.

The unique character of our revolution is that one generation of the revolution is continually replaced by another and we have to face for a long period of time the imperialists who grow ever more ferocious with each passing day. This presents it as a crucial strategic task of army building and anti-imperialist struggle to stoutly carry on the baton of the great revolutionary ideology and spirit which originated in Paektu. When we carry out this task as the core in army building, we will surely be able to maintain and consolidate the qualitative supremacy of our revolutionary armed forces.

All the Party organizations and political bodies of the People's Army should continue to stoke up the flames of the ideological revolution and focus their all-out effort on cultivating the revolutionary ideology and spiritual strength of the soldier masses.

Regarding it as our top-priority task to develop the People's Army into an army strong in ideology and faith, we should prepare all the service personnel to be ideological guardsmen who fight only in line with the revolutionary ideology and will of the Party Central Committee, who cherish staunch class awareness and indomitable fighting spirit as part of their mental qualities, and who never allow a single misfire or an inch of deviation from the centre of the target designated by the Party Central Committee.

We should also strongly push ahead with building it up into an army strong in military technology with a view to radically improving its fighting efficiency.

The global trend of military development and rapidly-changing style of warfare at present demand that we modernize our army at a faster rate in terms of military technology.

Holding aloft the slogan of modernizing the army, we should strive to the utmost to develop our People's Army into a powerful army equipped with highly advanced military technology.

By pressing ahead with the modernization of the military talents training system, we should bring up a larger number of officers who are fully capable of commanding units of different arms and services at all levels. And we should make all the units and sub-

units of the army fully ready to carry out any combat missions by modernizing their operation and combat training.

The sectors of defence science and munitions industry should continue to develop and deploy for actual combat cutting-edge military hardware of new generations so as to constantly increase the military power of the People's Army.

In particular, the nuclear forces, the symbol of our national strength and the core of our military power, should be strengthened in terms of both quality and scale, so that they can perform nuclear combat capabilities in any situations of warfare, according to purposes and missions of different operations and by various means.

The prevailing situation demands that more proactive measures be taken to provide a firm and sustained guarantee for the modern character and military technological supremacy of our Republic's armed forces.

To cope with the rapidly-changing political and military situations and all the possible crises of the future, we will advance faster and more dynamically along the road of building up the self-defensive and modern armed forces, which we have followed unwaveringly, and, especially, will continue to take measures for further developing the nuclear forces of our state at the fastest possible speed.

The fundamental mission of our nuclear forces is to deter a war, but our nukes can never be confined to the single mission of war deterrent even at a time when a situation we are not desirous of at all is created on this land.

If any forces try to violate the fundamental interests of our state, our nuclear forces will have to decisively accomplish its unexpected second mission.

The nuclear forces of our Republic should be fully prepared to fulfil their responsible mission and put their unique deterrent in motion at any time.

Comrades, officers and men of the People's Army, Our armed forces are now fully prepared for any type of war.

If any forces attempt military confrontation with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, they will be perished.

All the armed forces of the DPRK, with the heroic Korean People's Army as their core, should always firmly believe in their cause, march forward valiantly against all challenges filled with confidence, remain faithful to their sacred mission of defending the safety, dignity and happiness of the people, and securely guarantee the development of our socialism by maintaining their invincible military supremacy.

All the officers and men of the armed forces of the Republic,

As long as your hearts are pulsating with the precious blood and noble spirit of the revolutionary forerunners and as long as the revolutionary armed forces are always standing at the vanguard of the revolution as the embodiment of the ideology and will of the Workers' Party of Korea and of the strength of our state and people, the cause of socialism of our own style will be ever-victorious in the future, too.

Commanding officers and men of the KPA and all other armed forces of the DPRK,

For the safety and happiness of our great people, For the eternal glory and victory of our great state, Let us fight vigorously.

Long live our great revolutionary armed forces! Long live our great country, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea!

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history was held at Kim Il Sung Square in the capital city of Pyongyang on April 25, the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army, the first revolutionary armed force of a Juche type.

The square, the venue for demonstrating to the world the proud history and invincible might of the Korean revolutionary armed forces which have emerged victorious, carrying forward the great idea and spirit and the precious exploits and traditions, with their origin in Mt Paektu associated with the 5 000-year-long-cherished desire, was brightened by a great number of spotlights.

The military parade began with a magnificent demonstration of skills by the dependable paratroopers who landed on the square, fluttering a large national flag.

The State Merited Chorus in charge of playing music for the parade entered the square.

And the combined military band entered the square, playing military music and changing formations to portray two pistols showing the origin of the revolutionary armed forces, the numbers "4.25.", "90" and others, the emblem of the Party and the letters "Ongwi" (safeguard) at the square.

April 25 Juche 21(1932) was the day when the dawn of national liberation was brought to the Korean people who had been deprived of even their language and

names for having no army to defend the territory of their nation.

President Kim Il Sung, the legendary hero of the anti-Japanese war, founded the KPRA on that day.

The ceremonial performance of the combined military band revved up the celebration atmosphere with lively melodies and powerful rhythmic movements showing that the glorious history of a-match-for-a-hundred revolutionary army, which has emerged victorious in the confrontation with the most outrageous and formidable imperialist enemies for 90 years, and the traditions of the army strong in idea and faith, rare to be seen in other parts of the world, the revolutionary army of the Party, began that day.

Parade columns of the powerful elite army proudly entered the square to the tune of the grand parade orchestral music for victory, demonstrating the might of the DPRK dashing ahead like the storm in the face of manifold difficulties.

The revolutionary armed forces of the DPRK have accumulated the absolute power never to be overlooked by the world.

The paraders were filled with the pride in defending the security of the great Party, the great country and the great people.

Columns of cutting-edge military hardware were on standby on the avenues to the square. They showed well the appearance of the armed forces of the DPRK that have dramatically developed

from the first armed group of Koreans who declared death-defying resistance against aggressors with only 100-odd rifles on the day 90 years ago.

Air squadrons of the Air Force impregably defending the airspace of the country with a sacred mission of safeguarding the Party and the revolution were waiting for their sorties.

All the paraders were looking up to the tribune of honour of the square with great excitement as they were to be reviewed by Kim Jong Un, the outstanding leader of the Juche revolution, symbol of the mightiness of the Party and state and representative of great dignity.

When Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, president of the State Affairs of the DPRK and supreme commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, arrived at the square together with his wife Ri Sol Ju, a solemn ceremony of receiving him was held by the honour guard of the Korean People's Army.

After receiving a salute from the chief of the honour guard, Kim Jong Un reviewed the honour guard and the glorious colours of the large combined units.

The outstanding Supreme Commander of the armed forces of the DPRK who is an ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander was greeted by senior officials of the Ministry of National Defence and commanders of the large combined units and combined units of the KPA.

Army commanders paid their highest respects out of deep gratitude to

Kim Jong Un who made sure that the Korean revolutionary armed forces, the pivot of the national defence capabilities and the strong fortress for safeguarding the revolution and the country, demonstrated their military and political might through a significant parade on their founding day.

Amid the playing of the welcome music,

the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, together with his wife Ri Sol Ju, took the tribune of the square.

At that moment, cheers of "Hurrah!" and chants of "Kim Jong Un" and "Kyoalsaongwi" (devoted defence) rocked the square.

He waved back to the enthusiastically cheering paraders and spectators.

Kim Jong Un and his wife were presented with bunches of flowers by members of the Children's Union.

Taking the tribune were Pak Jong Chon, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, vice-chairman of the Central Military Commission of the WPK and secretary of the WPK Central Committee, Ri

Pyong Chol, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and secretary of the WPK Central Committee, and Ri Yong Gil, Kwon Yong Jin, Rim Kwang Il and other senior officials of the armed forces organs, commanders and political commissars of the large combined units and commanders of the combined units.

Choe Ryong Hae, member of the

Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, first vice-president of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and chairman of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly, Jo Yong Won, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and

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secretary for Organizational Affairs of the WPK Central Committee, Kim Tok Hun, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, vice-president of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and premier of the Cabinet, took the reserved seats for VIPs.

The tribune was taken by Ri Il Hwan, Jong Sang Hak, O Su Yong, Thae Hyong Chol, Kim Jae Ryong, Kim Yong Chol, Jong Kyong Thack, Pak Jong Gun, O Il Jong, Ho Chol Man, Pak Thae Dok, Kim Hyong Sik, Yu Jin, Pak Myong Sun, Ri Chol Man, Kim Song Nam,

Jon Hyon Chol, Ju Chol Gyu, Ri Son Gwon, Ri Thae Sop, U Sang Chol, Kim Yong Hwan and other senior Party and government officials.

Present at invitation were Ri Myong Su, Thae Jong Su, Choe Yong Rim, Kim Kyong Ok and other veterans who had worked for a long time in the Party, the government and the military.

Taking the reserved seats were the participants in the celebrations of the 90th founding anniversary of the KPRA.

There was a solemn ceremony of hoisting a national flag.

A column of women depicting a five-pointed star, the cap badge of anti-Japanese guerrillas, entered the square

at the tune of the song *Our National Flag*.

Drones depicted a large national flag. When the column arrived at the middle of the square, members of the KPA honour guard emerged from it and marched towards the flagstaff with the spread national flag.

Amid the chorus of the national anthem of the DPRK, the national flag reflecting the invincible might of the country and all the miracles, victories and the bright future of the people was hoisted.

This flag was hoisted in the sky of new Korea for the first time after President Kim Il Sung liberated the country through hard-fought anti-Japanese war. It is the flag of socialist Korea Chairman

Kim Jong Un defended, overcoming the tempests of history, and the flag of the dignified powerful country which has grown stronger, performing world-startling miracles and changes under the distinguished leadership of Kim Jong Un.

With their hearts burning with the strong will to proudly fly the flag symbolizing the soul and stamina of Mt Paektu and the destiny of the people and to warmly love and add lustre forever to most valuable Korean-style socialism, the genuine people's country, all the participants solemnly looked up to the

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national flag.

Fireworks were displayed in the sky where the DPRK flag was fluttering.

And a salute of 21 guns boomed amid the playing of the song *The Glorious Country*.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un made a celebration speech.

Referring to the profound and great significance of the birth of the first genuine armed forces of Korea 90 years ago in the history of the Korean revolution and nation and in the future development of the state and people, he said that the arms of the revolution held by fine sons and daughters of the Korean people in the forests of Mt Paektu were an expression of the ever-growing Korean nation's spirit of independence and hope and the banner of great unity and the motive force that provided the Koreans with the spirit of self-respect and invincible strength.

He stressed that as long as the hearts of all the officers and men of the DPRK armed forces are pulsating with the thick blood and precious soul of the revolutionary forerunners and the revolutionary armed forces always stand in the van of the revolution as the paragons of the idea and will of the Workers' Party of Korea and the power of the state and people, the socialist cause would always emerge victorious in the future, too. He ardently called for vigorously struggling for the wellbeing and happiness of the great people and the eternal glory and victory of the great state.

Hearing his touching speech, all the participants burst into stormy cheers with high national pride in having the peerlessly brilliant commander and the

high glory of having the revolutionary armed forces which have devotedly preserved the lineage of the Korean revolution and the idea and cause of the WPK and reliably guaranteed the existence and development of the state and the happiness of the people.

Then, preparations for the parade were reviewed.

Vice Marshal of the KPA Ri Yong Gil, minister of National Defence of the DPRK, made a report to KPA Marshal Pak Jong Chon, vice-chairman of the Central Military Commission of the WPK, that parade units were ready to be reviewed.

Pak Jong Chon reviewed the parade units.

He courteously reported to the General Secretary of the WPK that the military parade for marking the 90th founding anniversary of the KPRA was ready to start.

The columns of the armed forces of the DPRK, which were founded in the flames of the anti-Japanese war and have been strengthened into a matchless elite army and a revolutionary army of the Party, recording only victory and glory in its history, began marching.

The column of honorary cavalymen entered the square.

Honorary cavalymen, reminding the spectators of the spirit and mettle of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army which used to appear in the east and in the west at the same time to confuse and annihilate the enemy under the guidance of General Kim Il Sung who commanded the anti-Japanese guerrilla army on a white horse, rode past the square.

A column of soldiers representing the period of the anti-Japanese armed struggle, when the first generation

of the revolutionary armed forces set a shining example of devotedly protecting the leader for the first time in history and established the traditions of winning victory with idea and faith, marched past the square with a red flag fluttering.

Then a column of soldiers representing the period of the Fatherland Liberation War proudly marched with dignity under the colours associated with the immortal feats of the heroic soldiers in the 1950s who performed an unprecedented military miracle by defeating with rifles the enemy armed with atomic bombs, carrying forward the great traditions of victory in the anti-Japanese revolutionary war that witnessed the defeat of the gangster-like Japanese imperialists' one million-strong army which regarded the KPRA as "a drop in the ocean".

Columns of marchers passed the square one after another, reminding the spectators of the great years when the soldiers of the KPA achieved miraculous victories, unheard-of in the world war history, in ground, air and sea battles of the three-year-long hard-fought war against the barbaric aggression by the US imperialists.

Columns of soldiers under the Guard Office of the Party Central Committee and the Guard Department of the State Affairs Commission standing guard over the supreme general staff of the Korean revolution vigorously marched past the square, vividly representing the revolutionary character and the eternal mission for the nation of the armed forces of the DPRK.

The columns of soldiers under the Guard Department and the Guard Command showcased their will to become the very bodyguards and

bulletproof wall that devotedly defend the Party Central Committee true to the noble spirit of the bodyguards of the anti-Japanese guerrilla army who devotedly defended the headquarters of the revolution.

The column of the 1st Corps, the strongest corps of the People's Army called the corps of tigers in Mt Paektu defending the eastern sector of the front, marched past the square fluttering the colours of elite divisions whose mere names strike fear into the enemies.

The columns of the 2nd Corps that gave birth to the spirit of a-match-for-a-hundred combatants and the 4th Corps, the frontline corps in the west, marched in a fine array under the colours of divisions and brigades that smashed every reckless military provocation of the enemies with telling blows.

The column of the 5th Corps in charge of the central sector of the front fully represented the spirit of the frontline service personnel to annihilate the enemy, performing military exploits while standing guard over the outpost of the country and the revolution like the guardsmen who made their way through the flames of war.

Marching with gallantry to the tune of song of the revolutionary army were navy and air force columns holding aloft the colours of the naval fleets, being hailed as the death-defying corps of the sea and the unsinkable battleship, and of the air force divisions displaying their might as the shields in the sky and the red goshawks.

Following the energetically marching missile maintenance crew members of the strategic force column, the symbol of the irresistible might of the DPRK

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armed forces, the special operations force column, always ready to deal crushing blows to the enemy in any operation space of the land, sea or air when the time for a decisive battle comes, entered the square.

Kim Jong Un extended a warm military salute to the service personnel in major thrusts, the core unit which acts as the backbone of the revolutionary armed forces and firmly defends the very forefront of national defence.

The parade members chanted "Hurrah!" for the iron-willed brilliant commander, who ushers in a great golden age of bolstering military muscle of the country while strengthening the People's Army remarkably into invincible revolutionary vanguard ranks braving difficulties in

the spirit of Mt Paektu, a revolutionary army of the Party modelled on the WPK and ultra-modern forces, holding high the banner of modelling the whole army on Kimilsungism-Kimjongilism.

Columns of the Anti-aircraft Artillery Corps, the 91st Corps and the 3rd Corps of the KPA impregably defending Pyongyang, the heart of the Korean revolution where the Party Central Committee is situated, were followed by the columns of other corps defending the east and west coastal areas, the northern areas and border gateways.

Then columns of tank and armoured vehicle divisions and motorized infantry divisions including the Seoul Ryu Kyong Su Guards 105th Tank Division and the 425th Motorized Infantry Division of the KPA, powerful strike groups that

are prepared to immediately secure any strategic areas indicated by the Supreme Headquarters, marched proudly under the uplifted sacred colours bearing the letters "April 25", displaying the might of the invincible Paektusan revolutionary army that stoutly preserves the glorious traditions of the anti-Japanese war.

Marching past the tribune of the square were columns of scouts and mountain infantry known as versatile and brave fighters, those of specialists' units such as the electronic harassment operations unit, columns of Kim Il Sung Military University which is the highest institute of military education guaranteeing the eternal might and invincibility of the revolutionary armed forces, Kim Jong Il University of Military and Politics which is a centre for training the highest-

ranking military commanding officers in the country, Kim Il Sung University of Politics which greatly contributes to making the KPA politically, ideologically and morally stronger, and Kim Jong Un University of National Defence which makes a distinguished contribution to training of persons talented in the Juche-based defence science and technology, and columns of military schools at all levels.

The marchers were full of the steadfast resolution to readily die a heroic death for the great commander who gives everlasting life with warm feeling, passion, love and trust and teaches strategy of victory and exceptional bravery.

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of the elite army, brave soldiers of the powerful country who were filled with great honour of being reviewed by Marshal Kim Jong Un, the illustrious commander, rocked the square.

Columns of students at revolutionary schools who have prepared themselves as pillars of the Juche revolution while reliably succeeding to the lineage of Mangyongdae, the lineage of Paektu at the educational institutions for the sons and daughters of revolutionary martyrs associated with the idea of continuous revolution and love for the younger generation and future of the WPK went past to the tune of a parade march.

A column of the Worker-Peasant Red Guards, which have been strengthened into reliable armed forces for safeguarding the socialist country and defending hometowns by inheriting the tradition of all-people resistance created during the anti-Japanese war, marched past the square, carrying the flags of provincial worker-peasant red guards with the chief secretary of the Pyongyang Municipal Party Committee as its head and the chief secretaries of provincial Party committees in the van.

A column of the Ministry of State Security which has demonstrated its might as a dependable political security force of the Party reliably protecting the precious gains of the socialist country and the people's wellbeing and as an elite unit playing a part of the revolutionary armed forces, columns of the traffic security women, the tracker dog search party and the special mobile corps of the Public Security Forces and a column of emergency epidemic prevention workers passed the square.

Kim Jong Un raised his hands to encourage the marchers who have carried forward the noble tradition of remaining faithful to their mission for defending the leader, the social system and the people in the stern annals of the revolution to reliably safeguard the outposts of class struggle.

Thunderous cheers of "Hurrah!" raised by parade members resounded through

the sky over the square, amplifying the immutable truth that the destiny of the country and the happiness of the people and the ever-victory of the Korean revolution are guaranteed by defending the Party Central Committee.

Then the flight parade of the KPA Air Force began.

Air squadrons, in formations depicting the five-pointed star and laurel tree, flew past the sky above the square while letting off fireworks to brighten the sky.

The spectators raised cheers, feasting their eyes on the air squadrons making minimum-altitude flights and displaying

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such aeronautics as zooming.

While letting off the fireworks, a squadron in a fan-shape formation left the trails reflecting the ardent will of the combat pilots to devotedly defend the Party Central Committee with fervent loyalty to it.

Amid the endless expression of trust in the heroic KPA, the vanguard ranks of loyalty which follow the path indicated by the Party Central Committee after entrusting their destiny totally to it, the columns of mechanized units began their advance.

The columns of latest tactical missile units entered the square in the spirit of smashing the enemy' aggression war hardware at once with high mobility and annihilating blows, fluttering their colours.

The column of prototype tanks, a symbol of the strong combat power of the KPA and its iron fist, roared past the square.

The square was full of strong courage and militant enthusiasm of Korean tankmen who will sweep away everything in their way and fly the flag of victory before anyone else when the moment of the decisive battle comes, following the traditions of the guard tank units that braved the flames of the Fatherland Liberation War.

The reliable artillery pieces, the first arm of the People's Army and the most powerful arm in the world, moved past the square reflecting the will to reduce the enemy position into a sea of flames and set off the fireworks of victory once the Party Central Committee issues an order to fire.

The great Comrade Kim Jong Un advanced the outstanding military idea and theory that the true defence

capabilities precisely mean strong attack capabilities and has built up the great attack capabilities and overwhelming military capabilities for preventing war, ensuring the national security and surely containing and controlling any threats and blackmail by the imperialists.

Iron-clad ranks that have developed into invincible, ultra-modern offensive strike groups under the care of the gifted military strategist and peerlessly illustrious commander appeared at the square.

A column of super-large MLRS, one of absolute weaponry of the DPRK without an equal in other parts of the world that is capable of carrying out a scorched-earth operation any moment through successive strike with major targets of strike in the operational zone in its firing range roared past the square.

Columns of strategic missiles entered the square, demonstrating the strong capabilities for executing a war, the abilities to react to any warfare in the sky, land, sea and outer space and decisively contain and frustrate the enemy.

WPK-style Juche-based weapons, the dear ones inspiring great confidence and eternal treasure of the Korean nation never to be bartered for anything, appeared one after another.

The invincible country is demonstrating its might as a military power that has perfect and powerful deterrent for self-defence under the outstanding guidance of the great Comrade Kim Jong Un who accomplished the historic great cause of completing the nuclear forces by making a long journey of patriotic devotion with a death-defying will in order to make sure that the people would eternally enjoy happiness free

from the horrors of war generation after generation.

The spectators raised enthusiastic cheers, feasting their eyes on the Juche-based weapons symbolic of the truth that a country and an army that firmly preserve, carry forward and accomplish the revolution with a great origin and history and the cause pioneered by the leader always emerge victorious, and the absolute weaponry that vividly reflects the appearance of the country as an advanced, modern, heroic and brave country.

Amid the playing of solemn music and focusing of spotlights and display of fireworks, a great entity representing the strategic forces of the DPRK appeared at the square.

At that moment the spectators raised loud cheers, greatly excited to see the giant ICBM Hwasongpho-17 which soared into sky on March 24 to demonstrate the absolute power of Juche Korea and the strategic position of the DPRK to the world.

They extended highest glory to Kim Jong Un, great champion of justice and peace and peerless hero who has built up the national power, the greatest ever since the founding of the country, and ushered in the era of the most dignified powerful country in the nation's history of 5 000 years, the era of the our-state-first principle by leading the country and its people with his outstanding ideology, leadership, passionate love and absolute trust.

The most powerful weapons in the world that represent the soul of Juche, patriotism of all the people and the great strength eternally guaranteeing the future of the country and the nation rolled past the square, fully demonstrating the unshakable will of the Party and people to more dynamically and more

vigorously accelerate the continued development of the capabilities for self-defence and war deterrent that constitute the bedrock of the existence of the state and guarantee for its development.

When the military parade ended, all the participants again broke into thunderous cheers of "Hurrah!" and fireworks were let off.

Spectacular fireworks let off in the middle of the Taedong River and from different parts of the square colorfully decorated the nocturnal sky of April.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un warmly waved back to the enthusiastically cheering crowds.

The square was overflowing with the revolutionary enthusiasm of all the participants to remain loyal to him only with a firm faith that the Korean revolution pioneered by the President and Korean-style socialism preserved under the leadership of the Chairman remain unfazed and an immensely rosy future is in store for the country thanks to the respected General Secretary.

The military parade for celebrating the 90th founding anniversary of the KPRA served as an event of great significance that demonstrated once again before the world the invincibility, mightiness and radical development of the armed forces of the DPRK that guarantees the succession and implementation of the revolutionary cause of Juche, while demonstrating the might as the revolutionary army of the Party that remains absolutely loyal to the idea and leadership of the WPK and as the reliable defender of peace, and marked a historic occasion for greatly encouraging the Korean people in their heroic struggle for adding glory to the great era of Kim Jong Un and a new era of building a prosperous and powerful nation.



Marshal Kim Jong Un congratulates commanding officers of KPA units



KCNA

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, met and warmly congratulated the commanding officers of units at all levels of the Korean People's Army taking part in the celebrations of the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army at the office building of the WPK Central Committee on April 25.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un invited the commanding officers of KPA units at all levels to the celebrations of the meaningful holiday in April and bestowed on them benevolence to be conveyed generation after generation.

The commanding officers were filled with great joy and excitement as they

came to enjoy the great honour and happiness to be remembered throughout their lives at the supreme headquarters of the revolution, which all the KPA men and officers consider as the most sacred place and defend devotedly, the courtyard of the Party Central Committee which all the people in the country regard as the very protector of their destiny.

When Kim Jong Un arrived together with his wife Ri Sol Ju, all the participants broke into stormy cheers of "Hurrah!" as a token of their deep reverence for him, the invincible and iron-willed commander representing the mightiness of the Party and the state who is ushering in the heyday of strengthening the national power while demonstrating to the world the dignity and prestige of the country with his faith of Paektu, great courage

and outstanding leadership.

He congratulated the army commanding officers who were greeting the 90th founding anniversary of the KPRA with the honour and pride of firmly consolidating the strong fortress for defending the revolution and the country with the arms of revolution handed down by the anti-Japanese forerunners.

Noting that succession to the revolution does not simply mean handing down something from one generation to the next but means inheriting the fighting spirit and the soul immortal with fortitude, he said the revolutionary traditions of Paektu established during the anti-Japanese struggle are the main source of the spiritual strength and combat power of the Korean army.

Noting that the army has developed into an invincible army, which is capable

of striking fear into any formidable enemy in the world, from two pistols, he stressed that its history is unprecedented in the world army-building history and the revolutionary army reliably carrying forward the great traditions always emerges victorious and remains unchanged in its nature in any storm and stress.

Saying that the revolutionary armed forces should become the red arms and red treasured sword of the Party for defending the red flag, the red idea and the red system, he had a meaningful photo taken with his beloved soldiers who play a core role in the struggle for vigorous development of the KPA.

Following the photo session, combatants

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of an air-borne unit landed on the courtyard of the Party Central Committee, flying the national flag, and the commanding officers had a photo taken against the background of the office building.

Amid the overflowing warm feelings of kinship forged between the leader and his soldiers in the struggle for accomplishing the great cause of building a prosperous nation with a strong army, a splendid banquet was given at the garden of the office building in the presence of Kim Jong Un and his wife Ri Sol Ju.

Present at the event of honour were Jo Yong Won, Kim Tok Hun, Pak Jong Chon and Ri Pyong Chol, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, and the commanding officers.

It was also attended by Ri Yong Gil, Kwon Yong Jin and Rim Kwang Il, senior officials of the armed forces organs, and O Il Jong and Kang Sun Nam, department directors of the Party Central Committee.

Pak Jong Chon, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and secretary of the

Party Central Committee, made a speech.

Congratulating the participants who came to have the honour of celebrating the historic founding anniversary of the first revolutionary armed forces of the Korean people at the office building of the Party Central Committee, Pak Jong Chon recalled that the 90-year history of the Korean revolutionary armed forces, which set out on their struggle in the forests of Mt Paektu and always emerged victorious, has witnessed the shining achievements of the army commanding officers who upheld the guidance of the great brilliant commanders over the army with heroic fighting spirit and remarkable feats.

He pointed out that the commanding officers of the Korean revolutionary armed forces, including the first commanders and famous veteran commanders of the anti-Japanese guerrilla army, heroic commanding officers in the great anti-US war and those who distinguished themselves in championing and building socialism, were all faithful and brave fighters. It is the law of growth and development unique to the KPA that such passionate revolutionaries and brave warriors trained by the great leaders and brilliant

commanders powerfully accelerate the efforts for turning the revolutionary armed forces into elite ones and defend the cause of the Party in the van as the backbone and the engine, he stressed.

He said that the peculiarities of the Korean revolution which are accompanied by constant confrontation with the strong imperialist forces clearly highlight the primary mission of the armed forces of the DPRK to support the authority and leadership of the WPK with strong arms.

When commanding officers, the backbone of the revolutionary army of the Party, remain absolutely loyal to the Party Central Committee and train all officers and men to be the ones strong in idea and faith, our revolutionary armed forces will come to have invincible power, he stressed, adding the fundamentals of the Korean revolutionary armed forces, which are strong in idea and win victory on the strength of ideology, can never change although they now have access to nuclear weaponry to contain and annihilate any formidable enemies on the earth, as was in the past when the revolutionary forerunners held aloft the banner of anti-Japanese armed struggle.

Pak Jong Chon ardently called for adding glory to the Party, the people and Korean-style socialism with powerful revolutionary arms, vigorously advancing toward the accomplishment of the great cause of building a powerful army in the great era of Kim Jong Un with the indomitable spirit the revolutionary forerunners displayed in the period of pioneering the bloody Korean revolution as they braved trials and death, and with the wisdom and courage cultivated under the care of the legendary great men.

All the participants drank toasts to the good health of Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the WPK and supreme commander of the DPRK armed forces, and to the state which will certainly prosper along with the development of the revolutionary armed forces.

The commanding officers of units at all levels renewed their iron will to fulfil their mission and duty in strengthening the entire army into the first death-defying corps and the elite army that forms an indestructible bulletproof wall around the Party Central Committee, cherishing the great love and trust shown by Kim Jong Un as the greatest treasure of their lives.



General Secretary Kim Jong Un visits revolutionary martyrs cemetery

KCNA

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, visited the Revolutionary Martyrs Cemetery on Mt Taesong in Pyongyang on April 25, the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

A guard of honour of the KPA lined up at the cemetery.

The national anthem of the DPRK was played.

A wreath from General Secretary Kim Jong Un was laid before the wreath-laying stand of the cemetery amid the playing of the wreath-laying music.

Wreaths were also placed at the stand in the name of the WPK Central Military Commission and the KPA.

The ribbons of the wreaths bore the inscriptions "Revolutionary martyrs will be immortal".

Kim Jong Un, together with the visitors, paid a silent tribute to the anti-Japanese revolutionary martyrs who readily dedicated their youth and lives to accomplishing the sacred cause of national independence and the people's freedom.



of Paektu as the firm roots of the WPK and the Korean revolution, a noble spirit that should be kept by the Korean people and service personnel forever despite the lapse of age and the shift of generations and the most precious treasure that should never be bartered for any valuables, he said that the history of Juche-oriented army building replete with victory and glory clearly demonstrates the inexhaustible traction

There was a march-past of the KPA honour guard.

Kim Jong Un looked round the cemetery.

Reverentially recollecting the achievements and the eternal history of resistance of the anti-Japanese revolutionary forerunners who held Commander Kim Il Sung in high esteem as the centre of unity and leadership in the period of pioneering the Korean revolution and established the revolutionary traditions of Paektu, the eternal treasure of the Korean revolution, by waging long bloody battles, he placed flowers at the busts of Kim Chack, An Kil, Ryu Kyong Su and Choe Hyon and paid high tribute to the revolutionary martyrs.

Saying that the anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters, the first generation of the Korean revolution, accomplished the historic cause of national liberation by overcoming in a do-or-die spirit the worst adversities beyond human imagination with the transparent faith that they would surely win led by Kim Il Sung, the confidence in the validity of their cause and optimism about the future, he stressed that the immortal feats of the anti-Japanese guerrillas, who established the great traditions of the Korean revolution shining as the history of succession and provided the eternal foundations of the powerful state, will be handed down for all ages.

Describing the revolutionary traditions

and everlasting viability of the spirit of Paektu.

Noting that thanks to the event on April 25 that will go down in history forever, there are the revolutionary armed forces of the DPRK, which have developed into a world-class powerful army, the mightiness of socialist Korea and the independent and happy life of the Korean people, he said that a revolution will always emerge victorious when it is inherited by the blood of idea and faith. The noble soul of the anti-Japanese revolutionary forerunners will be immortal along with the glorious history of our powerful revolutionary army and the prosperity and development of our great state, he stressed.



Kim Jong Un has photo session with participants in military parade



KCNA

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK), president of the State Affairs of the DPRK and supreme commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, had a photo session with the officers and soldiers of

the units at all levels that took part in the military parade celebrating the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army (KPR) on April 27. Present there were Pak Jong Chon, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee,

vice-chairman of the Central Military Commission of the WPK and secretary of the WPK Central Committee, and Ri Pyong Chol, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau and secretary of the WPK Central Committee. The participants were greatly excited as they came to enjoy the dreamlike

moment of happiness again with the boundless pride of having staged the greatest-ever military parade of the Juche-based revolutionary armed forces under the observation of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, the symbol

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of the mightiness of the Party, state and armed forces and the banner of all victories and glory.

When Kim Jong Un arrived at the venue, all the participants burst into stormy cheers of "hurrah!" for the peerlessly brilliant commander who has devotedly worked to accomplish the great cause of building a prosperous nation with a strong army while ushering in a heyday of strengthening the national power, the most brilliant one in the nation's history of more than 5 000 years, with his iron will, matchless courage and extraordinary leadership.

Kim Jong Un warmly waved back to

the enthusiastically cheering participants to extend his militant encouragement to the service personnel who made contributions to celebrating the glorious founding anniversary of the powerful revolutionary Paektusan army with the grand military parade.

He highly praised them for fully demonstrating, through the significant and magnificent parade to be specially recorded in the army-building history, the might of the elite revolutionary army which has firmly defended with arms the Party and the revolution, the country and the people for nine decades, and the modernity, heroism and radical development of the armed forces of the DPRK and their matchless military

and technological superiority, and thus instilling confidence in sure victory and optimism about a rosy future deeper into the people across the country.

Saying the traditions of invincibility of the revolutionary armed forces established in the sacred wars for smashing the imperialist tyranny are the sacred lineage to be carried forward and glorified forever by the heroic Korean People's Army, he underlined the need for all the service personnel of the entire army to fully cherish the soul and spirit of the DPRK and bolster up their strength in every way to annihilate the enemy and thus more firmly guarantee the accomplishment of the revolutionary cause of Juche with arms.

He had a meaningful photo session with the participants holding aloft their colours associated with victory and glory.

When the photo session was over, thunderous cheers of "Hurrah!" and loud chants of "Kim Jong Un" and "Kyolsaongwi" (devoted defence) resounded through the sky of April.

All the participants hardened their will to fully demonstrate to the world the faith in sure victory and invincible spirit of the revolutionary army of the Party remaining absolutely loyal to its revolutionary idea and leadership and vigorously struggle for the great cause of building a powerful army in the great era of Kim Jong Un.



Kim Jong Un has photo session with participants in celebrations of 90th KPRA anniversary



KCNA

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president

of the State Affairs of the DPRK, had a photo session with the participants in the celebrations of the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's

Revolutionary Army on April 28.

The session was attended by Choe Ryong Hae, Jo Yong Won, Kim Tok Hun, Pak Jong Chon and Ri Pyong Chol, members of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, and Ri Il Hwan, secretary of the WPK Central Committee.

Ri Yong Gil, Kwon Yong Jin, Rim Kwang Il and other leading officials of the armed forces organs were also present there.

The participants in the celebrations were filled with great excitement and joy over the fact that they were to have a significant photo taken with the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, the symbol of mightiness and invincibility of the dignified WPK, state and armed forces,

after having the honour of watching in his presence a grand military parade reviewing the 90-year history of the powerful revolutionary army replete with great victories and glories.

When Kim Jong Un arrived, all the participants raised stormy cheers of "Hurrah!", paying their highest tribute to the peerlessly brilliant commander who has firmly protected the dignity and prosperity of the state and the eternal peace of the people with his far-sighted wisdom and outstanding leadership.

He extended warm greetings to the participants who are making a new, victorious history of Korean-style socialism

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through devoted service at their honourable and responsible posts and workplaces for defending the country and the revolution, always remaining faithful to the Party's call and sharing destiny with it.

He said the tremendous might and modernity of the DPRK's armed forces that shook the world are permeated with devoted efforts of the obliging patriots who have unconditionally and invariably supported and upheld the Party's self-

reliant defence-building line, meritorious persons the WPK values as cornerstones and pillars of the country.

He stressed that the revolutionary cause of Juche that started in Mt Paektu would surely emerge victorious as there are the revolutionary army armed with the revolutionary ideas of the Party and equipped with the powerful latest weapons associated with the efforts and soul of the people, and the large unit of patriots exerting themselves to relieve the country of its heavy burden even a bit.

Then, he had a photo session with participants, expressing his expectation and belief that they would give fuller play to the indomitable revolutionary spirit and the working spirit of self-reliance and fortitude, the vitality peculiar to the Korean revolution, and become the standard-bearers and promoters of creation and innovation standing in the van of the honourable struggle for the comprehensive development of Korean-style socialism as befit the descendants of Paektu who inherited the blood and soul of the anti-

Japanese revolutionary forerunners. The participants, expressing their deep gratitude to Kim Jong Un for repeatedly showing them warm love and trust, hardened their will to perform greater feats in implementing the sacred cause of bolstering up the strength of the DPRK, of further exalting its dignity and of bringing earlier the prosperous future of a powerful nation, while following the road of victorious advance indicated by the great Party Central Committee.

Kim Jong Un poses with officials of Radio-Television Broadcasting Committee of the DPRK

KCNA

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 April 27 had a meaningful photo session with announcers, journalists, cameramen, editors and other officials of the Radio-Television Broadcasting Committee of the DPRK who contributed to broadcasting the military parade for celebrating the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army at the highest level.

He entrusted the officials of the committee with the sacred heavy task of airing to the world the historic military parade of the great revolutionary armed forces to be etched in the history of the country. As he bestowed all laurels upon them, although he led them step by step to fulfil their task with his gifted wisdom and energetic guidance, the participants in the photo session hardly repressed their gratitude resulting from their deep reverence for the benevolent father.

Warmly shaking hands with the officials of the committee cheering in tears of excitement, the respected Comrade

Kim Jong Un expressed thanks to the committee for successfully broadcasting the military parade at the best level as intended by the Party Central Committee.

Stressing that the responsible historic duty of the TV broadcasting service is to vigorously spur fresh change and development in the van of ideological revolution in the new era, he noted that the Party Central Committee highly praises the Radio-Television Broadcasting Committee of the DPRK for the recent successes in its work.

Expressing expectations that the officials of the committee will continue to make

remarkable achievements in playing the important role of informing the world of the authority and dignity of the great Party and state and the current of the times in order to make more rapid development of the broadcasting service, always mindful of the trust of the Party and the people, he had a photo session with them.

All the participants, upon receiving such great benevolence from the respected General Secretary, were full of strong passion to fulfil their duty as ideological vanguard and buglers of the revolution who staunchly champion our great idea, social system and cause.



Kim Jong Un meets KPA commanding officers who ensured successful military parade



KCNA

Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the DPRK, met the commanding officers of the Korean People's Army, who successfully directed the military parade and other events celebrating the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army, at the office building of the WPK Central Committee to encourage them.

Present there were Pak Jong Chon, member of the Presidium of the Political Bureau of the WPK Central Committee, vice-chairman of the Central Military Commission of the WPK and secretary of the WPK Central Committee, and Minister Ri Yong Gil and other leading officials of the Ministry of National Defence and commanders of the services and corps of the KPA.

They were filled with boundless gratitude to and trust in Supreme Commander Kim Jong Un who bestows all laurels upon his soldiers, although he made the grand military parade of April a striking demonstration of the absolute strength

and military and technological superiority of the armed forces of the DPRK capable of defeating any formidable enemy in the world and a revolutionary event giving redoubled faith in sure victory to all the people in the country.

Kim Jong Un warmly shook hands with the army commanding officers offering a salute of loyalty and highly praised their contributions to celebrating the 90th anniversary of the KPRA, a significant and glorious event in the history of the Korean revolution and nation, with a magnificent military parade.

The first step taken by our revolutionary armed forces with two pistols has led to the dignified advance of the matchless revolutionary army of the Party never to be found in other parts of the world, and the Mauser shot heard in the forests of Antu has been amplified by the deafening firing sound of the Hwasongpho to humble the hostile forces bragging about their military edge, he said, adding that such world-startling brilliant reality is the glorious history of victory of the armed forces of the DPRK that will be engraved in golden letters in the history

of the country. In the present world, where a force clashes with the other fiercely and one can preserve one's dignity, rights and interests only when one gets stronger, the tremendous offensive power, the overwhelming military muscle that no force in the world can provoke, is the lifeline guaranteeing the security of our country and people and the future of posterity, he noted.

Expressing the Party Central Committee's firm will to surely maintain the absolute superiority of the revolutionary armed forces and constantly develop them to preemptively and thoroughly contain and frustrate all dangerous attempts and threatening moves, including ever-escalating nuclear threats from hostile forces, if necessary, he stressed the need for the commanding officers to boldly open up a new stage of development of the revolutionary armed forces, steadfastly adhering to the army-building orientation and general line of the Party.

He had a photo taken with the commanding officers of the revolutionary armed forces, expressing his expectations

and belief that they would put their heart and soul, wisdom and passion entirely into the sacred cause of bolstering up the self-defence capabilities of the great state in every way with confidence in sure victory, not forgetting even a moment their noble duty for the country, the revolution and the people.

The commanding officers, who received his special trust and benevolence again, paid their highest respects to the ever-victorious iron-willed commander who ushers in a new period of strengthening the national defence capabilities, developing the revolutionary armed forces that inherited the glorious traditions of the anti-Japanese revolutionary forerunners into the strongest army in the world.

All the participants hardened their resolve to strive with redoubled courage to further consolidate the matchless military muscle that no one dares provoke, true to the great Party Central Committee's idea and line on building the revolutionary armed forces, and thus defend the Party and revolution impregably and steadily exalt the dignity and might of the DPRK, a powerful country.

Nation celebrates KPRA's founding anniversary

KCNA

The people and service personnel across the DPRK celebrated the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army on April 25 as befits a great national event.

Many visited the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, the supreme temple of Juche where President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il are preserved in their lifetime appearance.

At the plaza of the palace, they offered the highest tribute to the President and the Chairman.

People and service personnel paid respect to the great leaders at their statues and beaming images in different parts of the country including Mansu Hill in Pyongyang and the City of Samjiyon.

Lots of people visited the Revolutionary Martyrs Cemetery on Mt Taesong in which the remains of anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters are buried and the Fatherland Liberation War Martyrs Cemetery.

Other service personnel, working people, youth and



Pyongyang citizens visit the Kumsusan Palace of the Sun, where President Kim Il Sung and Chairman Kim Jong Il are preserved in their lifetime appearance, to pay homage to them.

schoolchildren laid bouquets and flowers at the busts and cemeteries of martyrs, memorial towers for the fallen soldiers of the Korean People's Army and graves of

martyrs in their localities. At the celebration meetings and oratorical contests hosted by working people's organizations in local areas including

South Phyongan and North Hwanghae provinces, speakers praised the President as a peerlessly great man who clarified the iron truth that the victory

of the revolutionary cause hinges on the arms of the revolution and so do the independence and prosperity of the country and nation and made a brilliant history

of the building of the Juche-oriented revolutionary armed forces.

Officials, working people, youth and students toured the Jongbangsan, Sinhungdong and Majon revolutionary battle sites associated with the glorious revolutionary traditions.

Performances were given at theatres in Pyongyang and the provinces and by members of mobile and women's union artistic motivational teams and art groups in different parts to add to the festive atmosphere.

Public amenities in all parts of the country provided special holiday services.

Youth and students and women's union members held dancing parties in Pyongyang and each provincial seat, city and county.

That day, lots of officials, working people, youth and students visited families of war veterans and honoured disabled soldiers to warmly congratulate them.

Festive visual aids and distinctive decorative illuminations were seen on streets of the capital city and local areas, enhancing the celebratory mood.



Events take place to mark the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.



Art performance celebrates 90th founding anniversary of KPRA

KCNA

A splendid art performance was given to celebrate the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army (KPRA) in Pyongyang on April 26.

The joint performance by the State Merited Chorus and the Song and Dance Ensemble of the Ministry of National Defence was enjoyed by the participants in the military parade and the celebrations for the 90th founding anniversary of the KPRA.

Choe Ryong Hac and Kim Tok Hun, members of the

Presidium of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, and Ri Il Hwan, Kim Jae Ryong, Kim Yong Chol, Jong Kyong Thack, Pak Jong Gun and O Il Jong also watched the performance.

Put on the stage were the hymns praising the leaders and the songs of the revolutionary army that resounded in the 90-year-long militant course of the revolutionary armed forces which have devotedly defended the bloodline of the Korean revolution and the idea and cause of the WPK.



An art performance is given in celebration of the 90th founding anniversary of the KPRA.

National photo show opens

KCNA



Senior Party and government officials look round exhibits at the national photo exhibition in celebration of the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army. It opened at the April 25 House of Culture in Pyongyang on April 24.

A national photo exhibition opened to celebrate the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

On display at the venue are photos showing the undying exploits of the peerlessly great men who achieved the great cause of building an army by dint of self-reliance from scratch and strengthened the Korean People's Army into a matchless elite revolutionary army to provide a powerful military guarantee for the victorious advance of the socialist cause.

An opening ceremony took place at the April 25 House of Culture in Pyongyang on April 24.

Present there were Ri Il Hwan, secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, Sung Jong Gyu, minister of Culture, officials of Party and power organs and labour innovators.

New stamps issued

KCNA

The DPRK State Stamp Bureau issued new stamps (one sheetlet and one individual) to mark the 90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

The sheetlet contains a stamp depicting the image of President Kim Il Sung, the legendary hero of the anti-Japanese war, against the red-coloured background with the sun's rays and a stamp showing an oil painting "The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung proclaiming the founding of the Anti-Japanese People's Guerrilla Army".

The individual stamp shows the indomitable fighting spirit of the anti-Japanese revolutionary forerunners who waged long bloody battles under the command of Kim Il Sung.

Inscribed on the stamps are letters "90th founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army" and "April 25 Juche 21 (1932)-Juche 111 (2022)".



A newly issued stamp on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the KPRA.

Symposium commemorates 90th anniversary of KPRA

KCNA

A national symposium took place at the People's Palace of Culture in Pyongyang on April 22 to mark the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

It was attended by Ri Il Hwan, secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, officials from central and Pyongyang municipal Party and administrative organs and working people's organizations and theoretical information officials from armed forces organs, the fields of science, education, art and literature, the media and revolutionary relics and Party cadre-training institutions.

O Il Jong and Ju Chang Il, department directors of the



A national symposium is held at the People's Palace of Culture in Pyongyang to mark the 90th anniversary of the founding of the KPRA.

WPK Central Committee, Pak Yong Il, a general of the Korean People's Army, and others read papers profoundly demonstrating the immortal

exploits of President Kim Il Sung, Chairman Kim Jong Il and General Secretary Kim Jong Un who built the Juche-oriented

revolutionary armed forces and ushered in their heyday by dint of outstanding military ideas and art of command.

Film show opens

KCNA

A week-long film show opened to mark the 90th anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

During the week, documentaries showing the undying exploits of President Kim Il Sung who founded the Juche-oriented

revolutionary armed force and provided the Korean people with the history and tradition of proud victories and feature film *One Day and One Night* will be screened at cinemas and halls of culture in Pyongyang and the provinces.

An opening ceremony took place on April 22 at the Pyongyang International

Cinema House. It was attended by Ju Chang Il, department director of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, Ri Myong Chol, secretary of the Pyongyang Municipal Committee of the WPK, officials and creative and performing artists in the film industry sector and other

citizens of Pyongyang. Jong Yong Nam, director-general of the State General Bureau of Motion Picture Industry, made an opening speech.

After the ceremony, the participants saw a documentary "President Kim Il Sung among the anti-Japanese revolutionary war veterans".

National art show opens



Visitors look round the national art exhibition to mark the 90th anniversary of the founding of the KPRA with great interest.

KCNA

A national art exhibition opened to mark the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

Hanging at the centre of the venue is a painting featuring the solemn image of Commander Kim Il Sung declaring the founding of the KPRA.

On display at the exhibition are artworks depicting the immortal exploits of President Kim Il Sung and Chairman

Kim Jong Il who initiated the building of the Juche-oriented revolutionary armed forces and provided a powerful military guarantee for the lasting prosperity of the country and nation.

Other exhibits included such pieces of art as oil paintings, engravings and plastic craftworks showing the development features of the DPRK's armed forces that built up the greatest strength thanks to the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un who adds lustre to the army building

exploits of the President and the Chairman.

The opening ceremony was held on April 22 at the Korean Fine Art Museum.

It was attended by Ju Chang Il, department director of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, officials and creators in the art sector and working people in Pyongyang.

Sung Jong Gyu, minister of Culture, delivered an opening address.

After the ceremony, the participants looked round the venue.

Workers celebrate KPRA anniversary with poems, songs

KCNA

Workers and trade union members got together at the Central Hall of Workers in Pyongyang on April 22 for a poetry recital and singing meeting "Eternal gunshot of victory" in celebration of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

The meeting was

attended by Pak In Chol, chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea, Hong Chol Jin, secretary of the Pyongyang Municipal Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, TU officials and workers and TU members in Pyongyang.

Starting with chorus *Long Live Generalissimo Kim Il Sung*, the meeting

brimmed over with the boundless reverence for the peerlessly great men who performed tremendous exploits for the revolutionary cause of Juche and the socialist cause under the banner of independence and lifted the working people's dignity and position to the top level.

It ended with chorus *Let's Support Our Supreme Commander with Arms*.

Agricultural workers hold oath-taking meeting

KCNA

Officials and members of the Union of Agricultural Workers of Korea held an oath-taking meeting on April 22 at the Kuksabong Revolutionary Battle Site on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of the founding of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army.

It was attended by Choe Yong, secretary of the Nampho City Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea, UAWK officials and its members in Nampho.

Before the meeting, they made a study tour of the revolutionary battle site.

Han Jong Hyok, chairman of the Central Committee of the Union of Agricultural Workers of Korea, read out a resolution.

He said that President Kim Il Sung founded the Korean People's Revolutionary Army, the first Juche-oriented revolutionary armed force, on April 25 1932 and it was a great event which provided the Korean people with their genuine army, the main

force of the revolution that could assume and perform a leading and core role in the sacred war for national liberation, for the first time in history.

He noted that the UAWK organizations would faithfully inherit the tradition of loyalty displayed by the anti-Japanese revolutionary forerunners and fully exhibit their militant might in opening up a new era of socialist rural development under the leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.



The Pothong Riverside Terraced Houses District in Kyongru-dong at night.

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