

Press Statement by Director-General of Department of U.S. Affairs of Foreign Ministry of DPRK

Kwon Jong Gun, director-general of the Department of U.S. Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, released the following statement on Saturday:

On June 12, an official in the south Korean "foreign affairs authority" made presumptuous remarks that they will make extended endeavor for an earlier resumption of the DPRK-U.S. dialogue and that the efforts should continue for a complete denuclearization and an establishment of a permanent peace mechanism on the Korean peninsula.

It is really preposterous to hear the balderdash of south Korean authorities-who do not have either any qualification to discuss, or the position to poke their noses into, the matters between the DPRK and the U.S., to say nothing of nuclear issues - are commenting on the resumption of DPRK-U.S. dialogue and interpreting the issue of denuclearization at their own choice.

Having been long forsaken like a good-for-nothing cucumber stalk thrown into swill, they should have now been aware too well of their sad lot, but it is really pitiful that they are still irrationally mouthing denuclearization, like a monk chanting the prayers.

I still remember that exactly one year ago, we advised them to stop fooling around in such a nasty manner and immediately drop out of the issue of the DPRK-U.S. relations. This notwithstanding, the people down the village in the south are still trying to seek an excuse to meddle in. How pathetic and miserable they are!

For your own information, it is not because there is not a mediator that the DPRK-U.S. dialogue has gone away and the denuclearization been blown off.

If I, though against my will, simply copy the catchphrase used by the village in the south, it is because "conditions are not met" for denuclearization.

While just looking at their demeanor of repeating denuclearization like a parrot, I cannot repress my judgment of how dull they really are because it comes to me as if the preemies - who do not have a basic idea about what conditions are needed and how many mountains

should be climbed over in order to realize the denuclearization - are burping after drinking a still water.

When the things come to this point, they have to know their own place even though they are so much eager to be reckoned with.

I want to make it clear that we will continue to build up our force in order to overpower the persistent threats from the United States, and such efforts of ours are in fact continuing at this point of time.

If they want to deal with us, they will have to approach us after racking their brains and founding a different method.

We are not what we were two years ago. The change continues and will continue as ever in a tremendous way.

It is better to stop a nonsensical talking about denuclearization.

#### North-South Ties Have Reached Uncontrollable Phase: Director of United Front Department of WPK Central Committee

Jang Kum Chol, director of the United Front Department of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK), made public the following statement on Friday:

There is a famous Korean proverb saying "To shut the stable-door after the horse is stolen".

This perfectly fits Chongwadae of south Korea which made public its stand regarding the scattering of leaflets on June 11.

Chongwadae finally opened a meeting of the permanent committee of the Security Council, breaking its silence, in which it defined the act of scattering leaflets against the north as an act of falling foul of the laws currently in force, and officially made public its stand that it would seriously respond to the breach of the law and abide by all the agreements between the south and the north.

Chongwadae which kept itself hidden behind the "Unification Ministry", panic-stricken over the recent incident, has now come to the fore and expressed its stand as if to make a "big decision". But this leaves us doubtful, much less convinced.

Their statement sounds like an apology or repentance, and their "resolution to take counteraction" sounds plausible.

But it is hard to clear the doubt that it can be just a brainstorm trick of Chongwadae to tide over the present crisis. Because its attitude of repentance is too timid, when compared with the gravity of the crime committed.

The south Korean authorities have so far been best at paying lip-service. They have availed themselves of every chance to unleash spurious words while reading others' faces with hesitation.

It was not due to the lack of verbal or written promises that the north-south ties have become as how they are now.

It was because they had no will to implement the words they uttered and the commitments they made, they had no force to carry them out with determination and they were weak and incompetent.

Now they barely put to use the laws that had already been in place. A new law touted by them is still far way off. Can we pin any hope for the law to take effect?

Had they been truly concerned about the north-south relations getting deteriorated, they could have made dozens of such laws for the past two years since the adoption of the Panmunjom Declaration.

Even at this moment, the conservative group of south Korea reproaches the authorities, talking about "low-postured attitude toward the north" and "submission", and human scum pledge to scatter leaflets again on June 15 and 25.

It doesn't stop daringly insulting and defaming the dignity of our supreme leadership.

No one can vouch that the south Korean regime would suppress its master's hindrance and control all sorts of trouble-making noise that is made under the slogan of "freedom of expression" at home.

Now Chongwadae, the ministry of Unification and even the ruling party are running helter-skelter, talking about "good-for-nothing act" and "stern counteraction". They say that they would check the leaflet-scattering by mobilizing the police forces but it is uncertain whether they can properly do their job as they fail to exercise even their public power.

They brag as if they have belatedly put the situation under control but such behavior cannot but be viewed as a stupid wordplay.

They scrapped even the north-south agreements and declaration the

north and the south committed to implement with their hands held together and stamped seals after a word-by-word study before proclaiming to the world. So, no one will lend an ear to their honey-tongued language.

It will be most foolish for Chongwadae to calculate that it can calm down our people's rage which has erupted like a volcano with such third-rate farce and put the current grim situation under control with its imprudent words, and this will be another mockery of us.

The recent incident has smashed to pieces the confidence in the south Korean authorities that we have made so much effort to build.

Can there be anybody better than the southerners in talking big?

We really don't want to stand face to face with them as they often talk tall as if to achieve something great but fail in taking even a step in practice.

From now, time will be, indeed, regretful and painful for the south Korean authorities.

Our Message to U.S. is Clear: Ri Son Gwon, Minister of Foreign Affairs of DPRK

Pyongyang, June 12 (KCNA) -- Ri Son Gwon, Minister of Foreign Affairs of DPRK, made public the following press statement on Friday which reads:

Two annual rings were run since the historic June 12 summit talks between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United States of America.

We need to see what the world has witnessed and what lesson the history learned from the DPRK-U.S. relations during this not-a-short period that spans 732 days.

What stands out is that the hope for improved DPRK-U.S. relations - which was high in the air under the global spotlight two years ago - has now been shifted into despair characterized by spiraling deterioration and that even a slim ray of optimism for peace and prosperity on the Korean peninsula has faded away into a dark nightmare.

The desire of the peoples of two countries to put a period to the

world's most antagonistic relations between the DPRK and the U.S. and to open a new cooperative era of peace and prosperity runs deep as ever. Yet the situation on the Korean peninsula is daily taking a turn for the worse.

This is substantiated by the DPRK-U.S. relations during the past two years.

A total shutdown of the northern nuclear test site, repatriation of scores of American POW/MIA remains, special pardon for the convicted felons of U.S. nationality who were held in detention – all these measures taken by our Supreme Leadership are indisputably significant ones of epoch-making resolve.

Especially, we made a strategic determination whereby we took an initiative for suspending nuclear test and test launch of ICBMs in order to build confidence between the DPRK and the U.S.

Such being the case, we should now turn to examining what has been done for the last two years by the United States, a party to the agreement, who has very often expressed gratitude for our measures of high determination.

“No testing, getting remains.”

“Hostages returned.”

These are what the master of the White House representing the United States of America reeled off time and time again as a boast.

The U.S. professes to be an advocate for improved relations with the DPRK, but in fact, it is hell-bent on only exacerbating the situation. As a result, the Korean peninsula has now turned into the world's most dangerous hotspot haunted uninterruptedly by the ghost of nuclear war, streaming completely against a durable and lasting peace which has been committed to by both sides.

The DPRK is still on the U.S. list of targets for preemptive nuclear strike, and all kinds of nuclear strike tools held by the U.S. are aimed directly at the DPRK. This is the stark reality of the present day.

Typical evidences are nuclear strategic bombers, which fly any time into the south Korean airspace for nuclear strike drills, and aircraft carrier strike groups which bustle around the seas surrounding south Korea.

The U.S. is introducing a large number of modern, cutting-edge

hardware like stealth fighters and reconnaissance drones worth tens of billions of U.S. dollars in order to transform the south Korean army into the one with offensive posture, and the south Korean authorities are burdened with payment of an astronomical amount of money.

The U.S. administration, through the two years of totally unjust and anachronistic practices, laid bare openly that its much-claimed "improvement of relations" between the DPRK and U.S. means nothing but a regime change, "security guarantee" an all-out preemptive nuclear strike and "confidence building" an invariable pursuit of isolation and suffocation of the DPRK.

All the above facts clearly prove once again that, unless the 70-plus-year deep-rooted hostile policy of the U.S. towards the DPRK is fundamentally terminated, the U.S. will as ever remain to be a long-term threat to our state, our system and our people.

Now, a question arises at this point in time.

The question is whether there will be a need to keep holding hands shaken in Singapore, as we see that there is nothing of factual improvement to be made in the DPRK-U.S. relations simply by maintaining personal relations between our Supreme Leadership and the U.S. President.

In retrospect, all the practices of the present U.S. administration so far are nothing but accumulating its political achievements.

Never again will we provide the U.S. chief executive with another package to be used for achievements without receiving any returns. Nothing is more hypocritical than an empty promise.

Our Supreme Leadership, in the historic Fourth Enlarged Meeting of the Seventh Central Military Commission of the Workers' Party of Korea, discussed the national strategy for nuclear development in conformity with the prevailing internal and external situation and solemnly declared on further bolstering the national nuclear war deterrent to cope with the U.S. unabated threats of nuclear war.

Whenever Pompeo and other U.S. statesmen open their mouths, they make nonsensical remarks that the denuclearization of the Korean peninsula is still a secure goal of the United States.

The secure strategic goal of the DPRK is to build up more reliable force to cope with the long-term military threats from the U.S.

This is our reply message to the U.S. on the occasion of second anniversary of June 12.

#### Answer of Spokesperson for Ministry of Foreign Affairs of DPRK

Pyongyang, June 11 (KCNA) -- A spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea gave the following answer to a question put by KCNA on June 11 in respect of the nonsensical expression of "regret" by the Secretary-General of the United Nations over the latest development of inter-Korean relations. On June 10, the UN Secretary-General, borrowing the mouth of his spokesperson, made nonsensical expression of "regret", claiming that communication channels are necessary to avoid misunderstandings and miscalculations, while taking an issue of our measures for completely cutting off inter-Korean communication channels. We cannot but express our astonishment over such reckless remarks - devoid of the common sense of judgment, let alone the basic knowledge of inter-Korean relations - coming out from the center of the United Nations.

I would not know whether it is an expression of his ignorance, but Guterres, as the UN Secretary-General, must have expressed his viewpoint, cognizant at least of the fact that the situation unfolding between the north and the south of Korea has not been triggered because of the absence of communication lines or contact channels. It is only the UN Secretary-General himself who would know whether he is pretending to blind himself to the articles of inter-Korean agreement on ceasing all hostilities against the other party or pretending to be knowingly drunken. Anyway, his latest remark of "regret" cannot be overlooked.

It is the shabby and double-dealing behavior of the UN Secretary-General that he does not say a word when the sovereignty of the DPRK, a full-fledged member of the UN, is severely infringed, yet he never misses opportunity to raise his subservient expression of "regret" whenever the U.S. and its vassal forces are picking on our self-defensive measures.

No matter how eager he is to speak and clap his hands to side with the

U.S. and its vassal forces, he will have to bear at least a slice of his duty as the UN Secretary-General.

Such an expression of inappropriate and biased views by the UN Secretary-General adds not only to the international acknowledgment that UN is being reduced into a political tool and a servant of certain privileged forces, but also to the mistrust of international society in the sacred UN organization and especially, the Secretary-General himself. The sacred UN is not a mouthpiece of certain privileged forces, let alone an arena where the high-handedness and arbitrariness of such forces are permitted to be rampant.

If the Secretary-General truly desires peace and stability of the Korean peninsula, he shouldn't reel off such nonsense as "regrets", but harshly reprimand south Korea, even at this belated time, that threw away the North-South Agreement like worn-out shoes and connived at the evil deeds of the human scums.

We never pardon anyone who dares to point finger at our most precious and sacred Supreme Leadership.

We advise the UN Secretary-General to approach all members of the UN on an equal footing, true to the principles of the UN activities, their lifeline being impartiality and objectivity, and properly discharge his responsibility and perform his role in a way that the UN forum would not be dirtied by injustice and falsity.

#### Director General of DPRK Foreign Ministry Warns U.S. against Interference in Inter-Korean Relations

Kwon Jong Gun, director general of the Department of U.S. Affairs of the Foreign Ministry of the DPRK, gave the following answer to a question raised by KCNA on Thursday over the recent obtrusive moves of the U.S. to interfere in the inter-Korean relations:

On June 9, an official concerned of the spokesmen's office of the U.S. Department of State made such useless remarks that he supports the improvement of the inter-Korean relations but was disappointed at the recent behavior of the DPRK, and urged the DPRK to return to diplomacy and cooperation, saying that the U.S. is keeping close coordination with south Korea, an ally of the U.S. This is, indeed,

ridiculous.

No one is entitled to say this or that about the inter-Korean relations as the relations pertain to the internal affairs of the Korean nation from A to Z.

Disgusting is the double-dealing attitudes of the U.S. that feels uneasy over any sign of the improvement in the inter-Korean relations and pretends to get very anxious if the relations get worse.

How can the "disappointment" touted by the U.S. be compared with the extreme dismay and resentment we are feeling at the U.S. and the south Korean authorities that have repeated betrayal and provocation for the last 2 years?

It seems that the U.S. still fails to properly understand the surging resentment of our people.

If the U.S. pokes its nose into others' affairs with careless remarks, far from minding its internal affairs, at a time when its political situation is in the worst-ever confusion, it may encounter an unpleasant thing hard to deal with.

As there are not a few things to be settled between the DPRK and the U.S., there would be no need for the U.S. to face disaster for others while playing the protector of south Korea.

The U.S. had better hold its tongue and mind its internal affairs first if it doesn't want to experience horrible thing.

It would be good not only for the U.S. interests but also for the easy holding of upcoming presidential election.