

Founding of the Korean People's Army

Korea was at last freed after the twenty-year long hard anti-Japanese armed struggle led by President **Kim Il Sung**.

President **Kim Il Sung** put forth a unique policy of building a regular revolutionary armed force by our own efforts with a deep insight that it was impossible to build a complete independent sovereign state without our own national army though the country was liberated from the colonial rule of the Japanese imperialists.

However, it was not easy to build a regular force possessed of all the arms, services and specialized service at the time following the liberation from the severe Japanese colonial rule and with empty coffers of the state, but it was a vital issue.

Knowing full well the prestige of an independent and sovereign state and the successes in the building of a new society could only be guaranteed with the backing of a strong military force, he put priority to the build-up of a regular armed force, trained and expanded a secure core contingent for it in less than three years and laid a material and technical foundation required in building modern arms and services.

At the first military parade held on February 8, 1948 in the square of the Pyongyang Railway Station he declared to the world the Korean People's Army born.

The KPA's victorious annals started from then arrived at its heyday today under the leadership of rare brilliant leaders.

The military parade held with the presence of the Comrade **Kim Jong Un**, President of the State Affairs of the DPR of Korea on February 8, 2018 to mark the 70th founding anniversary of the KPA demonstrated once again the might of the invincible KPA replete with victories all along and the great

power of Korea.