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Celebration of the 75th founding anniversary of the invincible Korean People's Army

75 years ago, on February 8, Juche 37 (1948), the great Generalissimo **KIM IL SUNG** founded the Korean People's Army (KPA), the regular armed force of the new, free and democratic Korea.

The KPA inherited the glorious revolutionary traditions of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army (KPRA), founded by Generalissimo **KIM IL SUNG** on April 25, Juche 21 (1932).

After the KPRA had liberated Korea from the colonial yoke of Japanese imperialism, the independent Korea needed a regular armed force.

President **KIM IL SUNG** developed the KPRA into the KPA, which became the state army of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), founded in the same year, on September 9.

Soon after the foundation of the DPRK, the Republic and its KPA were faced with the harshest trial in their young history.

The US imperialists and its 15 satellite vassal armies attacked the DPRK on June 25, 1950 and started the Korean War.

Generalissimo **KIM IL SUNG** guided the Korean people in its fight for the defense of the fatherland and proclaimed the Fatherland Liberation War.

The heroic and unconquered KPA brought the US imperialist aggressors to knee after a hard three-year long war with a brillant victory.

Under the supreme command of the great Generalissimo **KIM IL SUNG**, the ever-victorious iron-willed commander and strategist of Mt. Paektu, the KPA won a glorious world-shaking triumph by defeating the US imperialists and their vassal forces.

The KPA is the first army in world history which defeated the "strongest military power of the world", the United States!

Thanks to the unparalleled Juche commandership and war tactics of Generalissimo **KIM IL SUNG** and the single-minded unity of the whole Korean people around him and around the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK), this historic victory was achieved.

The KPA is also the first army which defeated two imperialist powers - Japan and the United States - in only one generation!

Under the brillant leadership of the Great Leader Comrade **KIM IL SUNG** and the Great Leader Comrade **KIM JONG IL**, the KPA resolutely smashed all war provocations of US imperialism in the decades since the end of the Korean War.

Thanks to Generalissimo **KIM JONG IL**'s army-first policy and his leadership over the revolutionary armed forces, the DPRK became a nuclear power state!

Under the outstanding seasoned leadership and supreme command of the respected Marshal **KIM JONG UN**, the armed forces of the DPRK strengthened the nuclear war deterrent and tested with success also Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles (ICBM).

The DPRK is now the world's strongest military and nuclear power!

The state's policy on its nuclear force was legalized last year. The DPRK is the only country which fixed by law its policy on its nuclear force.

The KPA is the invincible iron shield of defense of socialist Korea. Armed with nuclear weapons and ICBMs, no enemy dares to attack again the DPRK.

Indeed, the 75-year's history of the KPA is a proud history of great and brillant victories and glory!

Glory to Generalissimo KIM IL SUNG, Generalissimo KIM JONG IL and respected Marshal KIM JONG UN, the ever-victorious iron-willed commanders and strategists of Mt. Paektu!

Glory to the heroic and invincible Korean People's Army!

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