

### **Statement of DPRK Foreign Ministry Spokesman**

Pyongyang, December 24 (KCNA) -- A spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the DPRK on Sunday issued the following statement:

The United States, completely terrified at our accomplishment of the great historic cause of completing the state nuclear force, is getting more and more frenzied in the moves to impose the harshest-ever sanctions and pressure on our country.

On December 23, the U.S., while denouncing our successful test launch of ICBM Hwasong-15, cooked up once again the UN Security Council "sanctions resolution" 2397 which is tantamount to complete economic blockade of the DPRK.

We define this "sanctions resolution" rigged up by the U.S. and its followers as a grave infringement upon the sovereignty of our Republic, as an act of war violating peace and stability in the Korean peninsula and the region and categorically reject the "resolution".

The reason we have achieved the great cause of completing the state nuclear force, overcoming all kinds of hardships and weathering through manifold difficulties is to safeguard the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the country, ensure the peaceful life of the people and reliably guarantee peace and security of the Korean peninsula and the world against the nuclear blackmail policy and nuclear threats of the U.S imperialists.

As we have stated several times, our nuclear weapons are self-defensive deterrence that does not contradict any international law since we have developed and completed them in a fair and legitimate way outside of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons in order to put an end to the hostile policy and nuclear threats and blackmail of the U.S.

It is a philosophical truth we have found through the past showdown with the U.S. that strengthening the powerful nuclear deterrence in every way is the only way to frustrate the moves of the U.S. who makes it its daily business to carry on military threats and blackmail in every region to realize its preposterous dream of hegemony over the world, advocating the "America First Policy" based on force.

There is no more fatal blunder than the miscalculation that the U.S. and its followers could check by already worn-out "sanctions" the victorious advance of our people who have brilliantly

accomplished the great historic cause of completing the state nuclear force, the cause of building a rocket power capable of coping with any nuclear war against the U.S.

The U.S. should not forget even a second the entity of the DPRK which rapidly emerged as a strategic state capable of posing a substantial nuclear threat to the U.S. mainland.

If the U.S. wishes to live safely, it must abandon its hostile policy towards the DPRK and learn to co-exist with the country that has nuclear weapons and should wake up from its pipe dream of our country giving up nuclear weapons which we have developed and completed through all kinds of hardships.

Those countries that raised their hands in favor of this "sanctions resolution" shall be held completely responsible for all the consequences to be caused by the "resolution" and we will make sure for ever and ever that they pay heavy price for what they have done.

Whatever difficulties and challenges lie ahead of our road of advance, we neither feel disappointed nor are afraid of them but are optimistic about brighter future, and no force in the world can break our people's indomitable spirit.

We will further consolidate our self-defensive nuclear deterrence aimed at fundamentally eradicating the U.S. nuclear threats, blackmail and hostile moves by establishing the practical balance of force with the U.S.

No matter how crazy the U.S. and the hostile forces become in their maneuvers against our country, our Republic that advances with the great power of the invincible single-minded unity around the great leader, the strongest military force and the self-reliance and self-development will always shine as the powerful country and the fortress of independence in politics, self-support in the economy and self-reliance in defense.

## **DPRK Foreign Ministry Spokesman Snipes at U.S.**

### **Report on "National Security Strategy"**

Pyongyang, December 22 (KCNA) -- A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry of the DPRK released the following statement on Friday:

The United States released a report on so-called "National Security Strategy" on December 18.

The "National Security Strategy" written and announced by the Trump administration is, indeed, a typical outcome of the Yankee-style arrogance seeking total subordination of the whole

world to the interests of the U.S. It is also a criminal document which clearly reflects the gangster-like nature of Trump who likes to create trouble and fish in that troubled waters.

This has fully revealed that "America first policy" which the gang of Trump is crying out loudly about is nothing but the proclamation of aggression aimed at holding sway over the world according to its taste and at its own free will.

The U.S. administrations continue to change and hence the diplomatic and security policies also "change" this or that way. However, there is no change at all in the strategic goal of the U.S. to achieve hegemony over the world by means of force and particularly, the goal to stifle our country and turn the entire Korean peninsula into an outpost for seeking that hegemony remains unchanged.

Out of our will to safeguard the peace and stability on the Korean peninsula and put an end to the nuclear threat and blackmail and the hostile policy of the U.S., we held bilateral talks with the U.S. and various forms of multilateral talks such as the Four Party Talks and the Six Party Talks over the last two decades and during the course we had reached some agreements.

However, the previous U.S. administrations threw all the agreements reached with us into a garbage can like waste paper under the absurd assumption that the DPRK would "collapse" and indulged only in the attempts at onward nuclear threat and blackmail as well as sanctions and pressure designed to obliterate the DPRK, even branding it as a "rogue state", "axis of evil", "outpost of tyranny" and "target of preemptive nuclear strike".

We chose the road of possessing the nuclear weapons to defend our sovereignty and rights to existence and development in the face of ever increased hostile moves and nuclear threats and blackmail of the U.S. We are convinced that the only way to ensuring a lasting peace on the Korean peninsula is to have the deterrence that ensures a practical balance of force with the U.S.

The international society should keep vigilance against the maneuvers of the gang of Trump to invade and control the DPRK with force by igniting a nuclear war at any cost in the Korean peninsula and clearly see through the ulterior motive behind its repeated talk of dialogue, designed to cover up its evil intention and mock the world.

The gang of Trump likes to pose itself as if its country is a world superpower. However, the U.S. is nothing but a corpse going to the grave

## **U.S. Purpose in Pushing Forward**

### **"Biological Weapons Development Program" Disclosed**

Pyongyang, December 20 (KCNA) -- The Director of Press of the Institute for American Studies (IFAS), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, DPRK made public the following statement on Wednesday:

Some U.S. media and experts are now groundlessly claiming that the DPRK is pushing forward with so-called "biological weapons development program" as a part of the "wild ambition for developing the WMD".

Properly speaking, it is the U.S. stereotyped method to cook up untruths as truths, stubbornly insisting that black is white and fabricating anything for satisfying their aggressive greed. And the U.S. itself is an empire of evils full of plots, fabrications, lies and deceptions.

It is the U.S. that conducts military aggressions and cruise missile attacks on sovereign states in broad daylight while faking up "possession of WMD" and "use of chemical weapons" of those countries.

It is none other than the U.S., chattering on "morality" and "civilization", the criminal state that massacred the Korean people by bacteriological weapons during the Korean War and inflict sufferings upon the innocent people by continuing even now to openly use the internationally prohibited weapons.

The barbarous bacteriological atrocities perpetrated by the U.S. imperialist beasts during the Korean War still stand in relief in our people's memories.

And they are also the American politicians and the white supremacists making conceived attempts for state terrorism and racial extinction through overt research and development of the biological weapons in the worldwide-scattered U.S. laboratories.

It is the shameless deed that these criminals are finding fault with us while turning black into white by talking nonsense of the DPRK's "biological weapons development program". This is nothing but a manifestation of heinous intention to condemn our dignified state as a "rogue one" with the purpose to internationally isolate our highly dignified state and to justify the U.S. sanctions and pressure on the DPRK. This is also the manifestation of a pursuit for excuse to provoke nuclear war on the Korean peninsula at any cost.

The DPRK, as a state party to the BWC, maintains its consistent stand to oppose development, manufacture, stockpiling and possession of biological weapons.

The more the U.S. clings to the anti-DPRK stifling move, in such a manner as a thief shouting to stop thief, by denouncing us as a state of "developing the biological weapons", the more

hardened the determination of our entire military personnel and people to take revenge will be and the earlier the days of destruction of the U.S., an empire of evils will come.