

Tenth Anniversary of Signing of Sino-Korean Treaty of Friendship, Co-operation and Mutual Assistance Celebrated

Message From Comrades Mao Tsetung, Lin Piao And Chou En-lai to Comrades Kim Il Sung And Choi Yong Kun

Pyongyang

Comrade Kim Il Sung,

General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

Comrade Choi Yong Kun,

President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea,

On the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the signing of the Sino-Korean Treaty of Friendship, Co-operation and Mutual Assistance, we, on behalf of the Communist Party of China and the Chinese Government and people, express warm congratulations to the Korean Workers' Party, the Korean Government and the fraternal Korean people.

The Sino-Korean Treaty of Friendship, Co-operation and Mutual Assistance was concluded on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism; it fully manifests the great friendship and militant unity between our two peoples forged in the long struggles against imperialist aggression. The treaty plays an extremely important role in developing in an all-round way the friendly relations and co-operation between our two countries, in opposing aggression by U.S. imperialism and Japanese militarism and in defending peace in Asia and the world.

In the past ten years, the development of the international situation has become increasingly favourable to the peoples of the world and unfavourable to U.S. imperialism and the reactionaries of various countries. Not reconciled to its defeat, U.S.

imperialism is resorting to even more sinister and cunning tactics in its continued pursuance of the policies of aggression and war. Obsessed with wild ambitions, Japanese militarism which is being revived as a result of energetic fostering by U.S. imperialism is stepping up arms expansion and has become a dangerous force of aggression in Asia. The aggressive schemes and activities of the U.S. and Japanese reactionaries are being strongly condemned and firmly opposed by the Chinese, Korean and other Asian peoples.

The blood-cemented great friendship and militant unity between the Chinese and Korean peoples is long tested and unbreakable. Should the U.S. and Japanese reactionaries dare to launch a war of aggression against the Chinese and Korean peoples, the Chinese people will, as always, firmly unite with the Korean people and fight shoulder to shoulder with them to thoroughly defeat the aggressors.

Long live the great friendship and militant unity between the Chinese and Korean peoples!

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Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China

Chou En-lai

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