

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

Peking

Comrade Mao Tsetung,

Chairman of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China,

Comrade Lin Piao,

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

Comrade Chou En-lai,

Premier of the State Council of the People's Republic of China,

On the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Friendship, Co-operation and Mutual Assistance between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of China, we, in the name of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party, the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly and the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people, extend to you and, through you, to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China, the Government of the People's Republic of China and the fraternal Chinese people warm congratulations and militant greetings.

The historical facts of the past ten years prove that the Treaty of Friendship, Co-operation and Mutual Assistance signed by Korea and China is a reliable guarantee for safeguarding the security and the fruits of victory of socialism of the two countries, for smashing the sinister manoeuvres of U.S. imperialism and its lackeys to unleash a new war and for defending peace in Asia and the world.

The signing of this treaty has brought to a new and higher stage the traditional friendship and relations of mutual co-operation between the Korean and Chinese peoples which have been cemented in blood in the flames of protracted and arduous revolutionary struggles against their common enemies Japanese imperialism and U.S. imperialism. It has demonstrated the firm determination and unbreakable unity of the two peoples who are fighting for their common cause shoulder to shoulder to the end and dealt a heavy blow to the policies of aggression and war of the imperialists headed by U.S. imperialism.

Today, U.S. imperialism and the Japanese militarists are colluding with each other and carrying out manoeuvres of aggression and war against Korea,

China and other Asian countries in a way more blatant than ever.

As a result of the sinister manoeuvres of the U.S. and Japanese reactionaries, the situation in various parts of Asia has become very acute and peace in the region is seriously threatened.

Such a situation requires that the Korean and Chinese people and the revolutionary people in Asia should get united and resolutely smash the designs of Japanese militarism for rearmament and aggression abroad so as to bring about the complete bankruptcy of the aggressive U.S.-Japanese collusion.

The people of our country always treasure their militant friendship and friendly unity with the Chinese people; they will make utmost efforts to further strengthen and develop the alliance solidified by the Treaty of Friendship, Co-operation and Mutual Assistance and, together with the fraternal Chinese people, continue to fight on firmly in the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. united front.

The militant friendship and relations of mutual co-operation between the two Parties, two Governments and two peoples of Korea and China, established on the basis of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and proletarian internationalism, are daily developing in all fields. We are satisfied with this and firmly believe that they will certainly be further consolidated and developed in the future struggle for the victory of our common cause.

We wholeheartedly wish the fraternal Chinese people under the brilliant leadership of Comrade Mao Tsetung and the Communist Party of China new and still greater achievements in the struggle to strengthen the economic and national defence capabilities of the country and to liberate Taiwan, sacred territory of the People's Republic of China.

Kim Il Sung

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Choi Yong Kun

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