

Let KCU Members Become True Sons and Daughters, Young Revolutionaries, of the Socialist Country

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Dear delegates of the Korean Children's Union,

Dear members of the Korean Children's Union across the country,

First of all, greeting June 6, a special holiday for the KCU members who are a source of pleasure, pride, hope and future of the socialist country, I extend warm congratulations to all the KCU members, reflecting the best wishes of the people across the country.

I also feel very pleased that the Eighth Congress of the KCU is being held in a splendid way amid the great concern and expectation of our Party and people, and offer warm greetings to the KCU delegates to the congress and all other members of the KCU.

My greetings go to the KCU school instructors, its sub-branch teachers and parents who are making efforts to train KCU members into stout pillars of the country.

The Eighth Congress of the KCU constitutes a meaningful occasion in powerfully demonstrating the daring mettle of its members, who are growing up filled with spirit, bringing their beautiful dreams and happiness into bloom under the care of the Workers' Party of Korea, and in developing the KCU into the eternally glorious Kim Il Sung's and Kim Jong Il's organization of children.

Dear KCU delegates,

The KCU is a Juche-oriented revolutionary organization of children, which the great Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il founded and developed with utmost care; it is also a mass political organization of the Korean children, who are fully preparing themselves to be successors to the revolution and to the WPK and the youth league.

The glorious and proud history of the KCU is a history resplendent with the brilliant victory of the idea on the Juche-oriented children's movement and leadership of the great Generalissimos, who valued and loved KCU members most and devoted their all for the rising generations.

The great Generalissimos were benevolent fathers of our KCU members, the rising generations, who mingled with the children all their life and spared nothing for nurturing the future of the country. As it was led by them, the Korean children's movement could advance along a straight road following our Party alone just as sunflowers turn towards the sun, and KCU members could grow up happily with nothing to envy in the world, as successors to the revolution who will shoulder the future of the country.

Over the past four years since the Seventh Congress of the KCU, its organizations across the country and millions of its members have lived up to the pledges they made in front of its flag, keeping pace with their vibrant motherland, which is advancing by leaps and bounds to the wonder of the world.

KCU organizations have developed into lively and innovative revolutionary organizations that lead their members to cherish the gratefulness for the Party and their socialist country and preciousness of their organizations and collectives and to be good at studying and in the organizational life.

Many KCU members have displayed unstained loyalty with which they hold the great Generalissimos in high esteem for ever and performed laudable deeds of devoting themselves for the sake of society, their collectives and fellows, moving the people and adding to the country's storehouse of prides.

Today our dear KCU members are studying hard and training themselves physically and mentally with beautiful dreams and hope for tomorrow, and are actively conducting various socio-political activities and do-good-deeds movements, thus preparing themselves to be revolutionary personnel who will exalt the brilliance of socialist Korea.

Seeing the dignified appearance of KCU members, the precious wealth of the country, who are enjoying boundless happiness and growing up as ardent young revolutionaries, masters of the future, our Party and people feel the greatest pleasure and the pride in waging the revolution.

As the KCU is steadfastly carrying forward the soul of Paektu, a bright, promising future is in store for the Juche revolution, Kim Il Sung's nation and Kim Jong Il's Korea.

In the name of the WPK and on behalf of all our people, I once again offer warm congratulations to KCU members across the country, who are growing up to be stout pillars of a powerful socialist nation by adding lustre to the KCU's glorious traditions from one generation to the next, and also to KCU school instructors and its sub-branch teachers, who are devoting themselves heart and soul to the bright future of our motherland.

Proud delegates and all other members of the KCU,

Today our Party, army and people, by tightening their belts, are braving all trials to increase the country's strength; this death-defying, vigorous struggle is ultimately aimed at ensuring that our rising generations enjoy all the benefits of socialism in the best country that is admired by the world.

When our dear KCU members grow up cheerfully, uprightly and valiantly to be dependable pillars who will shoulder the everlasting future of our country, the inexhaustible strength of Juche Korea will increase to the maximum and the victorious advance of socialism will speed up.

Availing yourselves of this Eighth Congress of the KCU, you should actively swap fine experience gained in your study, organizational life, socio-political activities and do-good-deeds movements, make a fresh determination and redouble your efforts.

Developing the KCU into the eternal children's organization of Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il and of the WPK and training all its members into true sons and daughters, young revolutionaries, of the socialist country—this is the basic task facing KCU organizations at present.

KCU members should become ardent young revolutionaries who are fully conversant with the greatness of the Party and the leader and the preciousness of their motherland and devote their all to the good of the country and the revolution.

They should always bear in mind the benevolent care the great Generalissimos Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il showed to ensure that they live happily with nothing to envy in the world, and display infinite loyalty in holding them in high esteem as the eternal Sun of Juche.

Fully aware that the red KCU neckerchief is a part of the flag of the WPK and their dreams and ideals will Kim true only under this flag, they should at all times and in all places think and act true to our Party's intentions.

The anti-Japanese revolutionary fighters and the heroes in the days of the Fatherland Liberation War and in the present Mallima era are models of a true revolutionary from whom our KCU members should take their cue.

By following the ennobling examples set by these revolutionary forerunners and heroes, KCU members should all become fervent revolutionaries and heroes.

The basic revolutionary task facing KCU members is to prepare themselves as able revolutionary personnel who are knowledgeable, morally sound and physically strong, pillars in the building of a powerful socialist country.

The first and foremost task for KCU members is to study well. The height of their school records represents the height of our country's future national strength.

KCU members, bearing deep in mind the earnest request of their motherland, teachers and parents, should study hard to build the tower of knowledge higher, so as to become world-class scientists and inventors.

They should possess beautiful socialist moral traits.

They should ardently love their country and fellow people, and devote their all for the sake of society, their collective and fellows. They should respect their teachers and seniors and approach them politely, observe social order and public morality voluntarily, and be honest and upright in their everyday life.

Healthy body of KCU members is an asset of the country. Only when they grow up stoutly in good health can the country be full of vigour and become stronger.

KCU members should conduct brisk sporting activities to build up their physique, foster bravery and gallantry, and possess the techniques of more than one sports event.

KCU members should also take an active part in art group activities, improving their cultural attainments and bringing their artistic talents into full bloom by singing songs, reciting poems and playing musical instruments.

They should devote their all to adding brilliance to the socialist system of our country.

They should not become self-indulgent sons and daughters seeking their own happiness, but young patriots who, cherishing Kim Jong Il's patriotism, treasure all the assets our revolutionary forerunners created on this land at the cost of their sweat and blood, and tend every tree and every blade of grass in their country with earnest care.

They should step up various socio-political activities and do-good-deeds movements so as to encourage their fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters in their heroic struggle to build a powerful socialist country and contribute to their country's economic development.

They should hate imperialists and other class enemies, maintain sharp revolutionary vigilance against their schemes and mentally prepare themselves to fight, if the enemies

dare invade the country, as bravely as the Children's Corps members did during the anti-Japanese armed struggle and the children's vanguard members in the days of the Fatherland Liberation War.

They should, through organizational life, improve their sense of organization and discipline and exalt the honour of being members of the glorious Kim Il Sung's and Kim Jong Il's organization of children.

The pledge they took in front of the KCU flag is the first vow they made to their motherland, and their life in KCU organizations is the process of political activities through which they keep this pledge.

They should always love and treasure their organizations, observe organizational discipline on a voluntary basis and implement without fail the tasks assigned by their organizations.

It is important in training them into true sons and daughters, young revolutionaries, of the socialist country to enhance the role of KCU organizations and improve guidance over its work.

KCU organizations should ensure effectiveness in conducting the movement to learn from the glorious childhood of the great Generalissimos and the five-point educational work, so as to become revolutionary organizations that are unfailingly loyal to the Party.

They should make great efforts to heighten their members' spirit of collectivism, independence and creativity, thus preparing them all to be masters who will shoulder the future of a powerful socialist country.

The youth league assumes the heavy responsibility of properly guiding KCU members who have taken the first step towards organizational life.

It should give scrupulous guidance over the work of the KCU by taking into account its members' preparedness and psychological features; in particular, it should render positive help to KCU school instructors and its sub-branch teachers so that they can steadily improve the work of the KCU with a high sense of responsibility and practical qualifications.

It should build up the ranks of KCU activists and lead them to do the KCU work in an independent and creative way and become models for other members to emulate in studying and life.

All Party members and other working people should treasure and love KCU members as assets of the country and pay close attention to their education and

edification as their educators and parents. In this way, they can ensure that all KCU members grow up as dependable pillars of the country amid the interest and care of the whole society.

Party organizations at all levels should regard KCU work as an important undertaking that has a bearing on the destiny of the country and nation and the future of our revolution, and give Party-oriented guidance to it.

Dear KCU delegates,

The future of KCU members is endlessly bright, and a powerful socialist country, in which the song *We Are the Happiest in the World* resounds loudly, is reserved for them.

Our Party, which foresees the bright future of the Juche revolution in their beautiful traits and courageous and cheerful appearance, will spare nothing for them and defend their happy laughter and bright future.

I firmly believe that all KCU members will live up to the expectations of our Party and all people by advancing straight ahead and dynamically along the road indicated by the Party, flying high the flag of the KCU.

May happiness and glory be on the road of KCU members, our reliable successors and future of our powerful motherland, socialist Korea.