

For Independence and Peace in World

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Following the fall of the Berlin Wall and the disintegration of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, theorists of neoliberalism proclaimed the end of history, saying that it was a new era characterized by the unipolar world in which imperialism, the United States (US) in particular, would impose its hegemony on the entire planet, for it was necessary to remove all reminiscences of socialism, and those of independent lives and sovereignty of the countries. Consequently, imperialism carried out actions of intimidation, blackmail, economic sanctions and military interventions to those countries. Some actions were carried out under the umbrella of the United Nations (UN). Among them, military interventions in Yugoslavia, Iraq and Afghanistan were provoked by the imperialists with their say that "they have the right to remove the current governments and establish new ones," then they overthrew the Libyan government and now are eager to topple the Syrian government by promoting and supporting terrorist groups to this end. Those actions have driven several



thousands of people to death, several millions of people to emigrate from their native lands. The areas full of vitality have become areas of destruction, hunger, misery, and abandonment.

In case of Latin America, the imperialists have supported the fall of democratic governments elected freely by the people like in Honduras and Paraguay, and interfered openly those governments in Argentina and Brazil to reintroduce their neoliberal policies. Furthermore, they have maintained their constant harassment against those governments of heroic Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Ecuador and Bolivia and their peoples who decided to go down the path of independence, self-determination, non-intervention in their internal affairs

from foreign forces in an effort to work out a peaceful solution to disputes among nations and realize world peace and decided to maintain their policies of non-alignment to US imperialism.

Those peoples and governments of Latin America have conducted sovereign and dignified actions for the rescue of natural resources along with the formation of organizations such as the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our Americas (ALBA). They have also managed to develop social policies such as the literacy education of all people, the implementation of programs to bring food and health to the most remote and vulnerable countries, the construction of hundreds of schools, health centers and new universities, and the creation of thousands of new jobs. That results in improving material and spiritual living

conditions of those peoples with absolute independence from imperialism.

The policy of unipolar hegemony of imperialism over the world has failed. Regarding that, it can be said that new blocs established among countries in the world that are under the mutually beneficial agreements, not subordinate nor unequal, played an important role in the field of finance, the economy, commerce, technology and science, etc. The followings are examples as such: the BRICS, the Group of Shanghai, the ALBA in Latin America, Petrocaribe, the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC), the Union of South American Nations (UNASUR). These associated organizations have agreed the policies that would contribute to their economic and financial independence, with the creation of banks



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Women dancing with guns in their hands in a Mexican traditional dance rooted in the revolutionary history of Mexico

that could reduce the influence of and the subordination to the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), which are an instrument for plunder of our people.

In the military field, the conflict in Syria provoked and instigated by imperialism in the world and whose sovereignty and territorial integrity are being threatened by armed terrorist groups sponsored by the former, has taken a turn for the solution of it. It is because Russia has responded to the request made by the Syrian government that was elected legitimately to intervene the dispute, which is putting an end to the imperialist hegemony.

A new era is emerging, not a bipolar nor unipolar era but a multipolar era where every people takes charge of their own destiny independently, according to their own peculiarities without foreign interference nor subordination to any center of power.

In this context, undoubtedly the experiences of the Democratic People's

Republic of Korea (DPRK) have special relevance. Because despite all campaigns of harassment in the fields of the economy, military affairs, as well as propaganda such as economic sanctions imposed by the US government, joint military maneuvers of the military forces of the US, the Republic of Korea and Japan within a few kilometers from her borders and the intense ideological and political campaign broadcasted by the Western mass media against her system, the DPRK has not stopped her socialist development but rather deepened it. Not only that, overcoming her internal obstacles such as dogmatism, bureaucracy, the ideological subordination to foreign powers, the DPRK with her great creative and conscious strength of the masses has made prodigious successes in the economic, social, cultural, military fields year after year, especially resulting in improving the level of material and spiritual lives of her people and contributing to independence and peace in the world.

It is very important that we make more efforts to publicize objectively the progress of the DPRK in all fields. For instance, she is implementing the computer numerical control (CNC) in all large corporations that enables them to raise productivity, and the automation and mechanization in the agricultural field. She is cultivating new lands for increasing food self-sufficiency, developing fisheries, and afforesting land on a large scale to improve the environment and care for it. She is also advancing in

the simultaneous development of heavy industry, of light industry, and of agriculture. She guarantees employment and welfare for the entire population of the country through training qualified technicians and senior scientists. The DPRK is a country that had previously overcome the evils of the capitalist system such as unemployment, illiteracy, drug addiction, prostitution and others.

All of them are based on the consistent application of the Juche idea whose general guidelines were proposed for the first time by President Kim Il Sung in 1930 at the age of 18 amidst the struggle of the Korean people to expel Japanese imperialism from their homeland. This idea was later developed and systematized by leader Kim Jong Il.

Some of the fundamental principles of the Juche idea can be summarized as follows:

—The history of mankind is the history of the popular masses to achieve independence. Therefore, you always have to rely on the popular masses, organize them, educate them politically and mobilize them to fight for achieving social transformation.

— The Juche philosophy is a human-centered philosophy that clarified the position and role of man in the relationship between man and the world. Man is master of everything and decides everything on the condition that man as social being can develop his three attributes: independence, creativity and consciousness.

In order to maintain independence and develop socialism, a monolithic unity among the leader, the party and the masses is required.

In the field of ideology, the experience attained by Comrade Kim Il Sung and Comrade Kim Jong Il based on the Juche idea, as well as the application of this idea to politics and ideology, are all developed and formulated in the framework of Kimilsung-Kimjongilism. The succession to and the deepening of the achievements made in the DPRK in the past have been carried out today by Marshal Kim Jong Un at the head who was elected as chairman of the WPK last May. We congratulate him on his new responsibility and know that at the current stage Chairman Kim Jong Un, his party and his people will contribute to achieving independence of peoples in the world and establishing stable and lasting peace on this planet in a brilliant manner.

In this regard it is important to see that the Songun politics developed by the leader, Comrade Kim Jong Il and continued by Marshal Kim Jong Un is outstanding. The Songun politics consists of giving priority



Mexican youngsters studying the Juche idea

to military aspects to defend the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the DPRK with her dignity, courage and intelligence from the permanent wiles of US imperialism which tends to end her socialist system and put her in chains of neoliberal globalization.

Therefore, in an independent way, with much national creativity and consciousness along with her own technology, the DPRK has engaged in launching artificial satellites into an orbit, producing long-range missiles and making a hydrogen bomb successfully to deter intentions of foreign interventionists. All of them have been done without reducing her spending on education, science and technology, health and social welfare. In this country people can enjoy completely free access to education, health and housing.

The socialism being built in the DPRK has a solid foundation because it has not been built on dogmatism, bureaucracy and sectarianism, but has been done with the support of the popular masses, while



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Juche idea researchers in Latin American countries enhancing their ties of cohesion and solidarity

taking into account her peculiarities. The DPRK has set an example for all people who want a better world different from the one designed by the neoliberals.

Let us all contribute to building a world where every people and every nation is truly independent with sovereignty maintained and decides their own way to establish a socialist society equipped with people's power that conforms to their democracy, their history and their identities.

In an effort to make transformation in consciousness, and create a new stream of thought that is different from dogmatism, sectarianism, fanaticism and bureaucratism, as well as a great current of humanism with man at the center of all, let us stimulate the attributes of human beings, namely, independence, creativity and awareness.

Let us always lean on the popular masses, while faithfully interpreting and defending their interests and desires and being active with honesty, justice and love for the people.

For independence and peace in the world, go forward!