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# Independent Europe Is an Antidote to Globalization: Two Complimentary Models



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The European political system and the DPRK political system are not quite opposite. In reality, almost all of the European countries have established diplomatic relations with Pyongyang. Perhaps it is because the DPRK was recognized to be a full-fledged member on the international arena after it joined the UN.

However, peculiar is the case of France. Though it was one of the countries who established relations first with Pyongyang (trading

relationship first with Pyongyang), there is now the DPRK general mission in France instead of its embassy. The General Delegate of the General Mission is the ambassador to the UNESCO.

Names of the former minister Louis Terrenoire and General De Gaulle's friends were engraved on the marble plates presented to the Tower of Juche Idea in the DPRK.

In February, 1981 Francois Mitterrand, the

president candidate, together with Lionel Jospin and Gaston Defferre visited the DPRK by the invitation of President Kim Il Sung. During their stay they were received by the President. Later Francois Mitterrand said that President Kim Il Sung possessed extraordinary gift and capability. When he was elected as the President on May 10, 1981, he received the first congratulatory message from Pyongyang.

Twenty-eight years later in October, 2009 President Nicolas Sarkozy sent Jack Lang to the DPRK as a mission of information. He presented a report to the diplomatic commission of the parliament in December, 2009.

Jack Lang was accompanied by Bernard Leotholary, Asian councilor of President Sarkozy, and many other diplomats. During his stay he met Kim Yong Nam, SPA president of the DPRK, who is the 2nd head of the DPRK. Mr. Lang paid tribute to President Kim Il Sung.

France suggested establishing a permanent organization for humanitarian, cultural and linguistic cooperation in Pyongyang.

These two countries should establish complete diplomatic relationship without fail. There are enough conditions for it.

The heads of the European countries are now trying to free the continent from globalization by turning Europe into the zone of cooperation, independence and peace, thus drawing the interest of the world public.

Europe and the DPRK are the two models who pay primary attention to independence and peace and strive to realize them.

## **I. Model of Europe and Research for Independence and Peace**

“The world peace cannot be safeguarded without the creative efforts to deal with the danger threatening it” according to the first paragraph of the Schuman Declaration dated on May 9, 1950. European countries promised to unite with each other and make concerted efforts.

However, General De Gaulle and some other people regarded the actions made according to the Schuman Declaration as the ones that was far away from practice.

### **Europe suffered from lack of real autonomy in the early period.**

Europe celebrated the 60th anniversary of the publication of the Foundation Declaration of the European Union on May 9, 2009.

According to the above-mentioned Schuman Declaration, the French government proposed to place the France-Germany coal and steel production ensemble under the common authority within the opened organization participated by other European countries.

The Schuman Declaration clarified that “the common production of coal and steel directly guarantees the establishment of the common basis for economic development and, furthermore, it is the first stage for the European Federation.”

There appeared some indices showing the fact that the federation where the federal state entity must be dissolved is under the influence of the USA. Like all other supporters of the above-mentioned Schuman Declaration, Jean Monnet who was their head, had ever worked as a businessman and international financial worker in the US before he was elected as the general commissioner of the plan (1945-1952). At the time when he was elected as the general commissioner, he was leading a big American bank in San Francisco. It was him whom the UK government sent to the USA to negotiate the purchase of military equipment and materials.

I think that Jean Monnet would establish the relationship in the political field in such a context.

People can guess easily that he would be influenced by such relations and never drive the American interest into the danger. In 1951 when the European Coal and Steel Community was established, the Paris Convention suggested establishing the senior authorized organ, and Jean Monnet worked as the first chairman between 1952 and 1953.

De Gaulle, the founder of the 5th Republic of France, and some other figures opposed France to be under the influence of the USA and the Atlantic Alliance.

They finally won victory, and Europe could gain its autonomy.

France dispatched one battalion to fight for the USA in the Korean War (1950-1953) according to the UN decision.

### **Europe won the biggest autonomy under the influence of General De Gaulle.**

At first Europe was built by the Paris treaty (1951) and the Rome treaty (1957). General De Gaulle did not like such kind of it.

Ten days after the publication of the Schuman Declaration in May 9, 1950, the chairman of the RPF (People's Reunion of France) said that, when De Gaulle told to produce a new economy, people thought the medley of coal and steel associated with some kind of community because they did not know what to do. Later it was opposed. The European Coal and Steel Community "has neither foundation nor democratic responsibility" and the community cannot be the substitute of Europe in any case. The community is a mere "shadow." The community was criticized that it would cause a "miserable disorder."

As for the 6-state Europe, General De Gaulle made efforts to enable France to be a member of the common market as soon as he took power in 1958. He made the items for defence not changed. He also controlled France, so that it would not be weak in the broad exchanging area.

General De Gaulle really made efforts for the independent Europe. He opposed the old continent neither to be directly subjugated to the USA nor to be under the control of the UK, the Trojan Horse.

On January 14, 1963 General De Gaulle made a following conclusion: The UK cannot

join the common market at present. If the UK joins the common market, the common market will be the “large-scale Atlantic Alliance” and assimilate Europe without efforts. Therefore, it is necessary to enable the UK and the USA not to get much interest. It is also necessary not to be absorbed by the economy though it belongs to the country across the Atlantic Ocean.

In the field of defence, too, General De Gaulle took the same preliminary measures: The old continent and a new world should be allied and united with each other to defend the free world. However, the Alliance should not ignore the European countries but be established by cooperation of the old continent and a new world. Europe should have its responsibility portion. As long as there exist threat and ambition of the Soviet Union and threat of domination of the East, the Alliance will not be immortal though it is necessary even today.

France remained in the Atlantic Alliance and left the NATO in 1966. General De Gaulle said that it was necessary to reject all kinds of systems which made us to be subjugated by Washington under the signboard of the super-national, integration and Atlanticism. Independence of Europe today shows the features of Europe tomorrow. Independence of Europe makes it possible. The policy of openness toward the East aims to realize it.

In 1969 when General De Gaulle dismissed, the French leaders were attracted by the Atlantic mermaid again. They allowed the UK to join the common market and expanded the European Union from 6 countries to 27 member

countries.

The USA could control exostosis of Europe once again. The USA forced France to join the military organization of NATO again.

General De Gaulle’s effort to make Europe independent on a wide scale was partially obliterated.

At present time when countries are neglected, it is necessary for Europe to pay attention to other countries, other continents and other international organizations who give priority to peace and independent demand of the people over the world.

In this respect it is beneficial for us to make research of the DPRK-style model.

Of course, this model is a little away from the mode and foundation pursued by Europe. I think, however, it is necessary for us to observe how this country in Asia does to defend its sovereignty and value against its neighbouring giant.

## **II. Model of Korea, Demand for Independence and Peace**

All activities of the DPRK obey the following goal: The Korean people must build a state that enables them to build a new society and, if possible, to train a “new man” who is developing in the state which pays primary attention to independence and peace-keeping.

To this end the Korean leaders have made efforts to build an ideological fortress. This ideological fortress is now guaranteed by two pillars; the Juche idea and the Songun politics.

### Juche Idea

Twenty-five years ago, on October 20, 1985 we organized the European Regional Society for the Study of the Juche Idea in order to study the Juche idea.

The Juche idea is to give the man-centred world outlook. As President Kim Il Sung said, the Juche idea is the revolutionary and scientific world outlook to be acquired by a man of communist type.

The dominating principle of the Juche idea is that man is the master of everything and decides everything. Man is a social being with independence, creativity and consciousness. Man desires to live independently as the master of the world and his own destiny free from all kinds of subjugation. He also has capability to transform nature and society in conformity with his aspiration and demand.

After all, there is nothing that man cannot conquer and man cannot do with his strength. His strength is inexhaustible like waves.

That is why man does not only coexist with nature but makes nature serve him by transforming it in conformity with his demands.

In order to train a new man of communist type, the working-class party must pay primary attention to occupying the ideological fortress. Correct education is important here.

If such "a new man" is to train a new man, it is necessary for him to be the master of a new international relationship.

The Juche idea demands to place the revolutionary army before others. The Songun

politics was founded in reflection of the demand.

### Songun Politics

Songun is a firm guarantee to consummating the cause of Juche. The Songun politics that regards the revolutionary army as the main agent of the country is a powerful ideological and theoretical weapon.

At the beginning of the 20th century Korea was occupied by the Japanese imperialists and turned into their colony because it has genuine military forces.

People in the DPRK drew lessons from the history and thought that they should have a powerful military strength in order to safeguard peace. They relied on the Songun idea. They regarded the Songun idea as a shield to defend the entire nation.

Songun means paying primary attention to military affairs according to the Korean language.

Like the Juche idea, the Songun idea was founded by President Kim Il Sung, forefather of the socialist Korea, and developed and systematized by General Secretary Kim Jong Il, chairman of the DPRK National Defence Commission.

The Songun idea is based on the idea that armed struggle is the highest form of struggle for independence.

The programme of the Down-with-Imperialism Union formed in October, 1926 contains the idea. The programme pointed out that the contradiction between imperialists and people in colonies should be solved not by compromise but by revolutionary violence. This line was

evolved in the Kalun meeting on June 30, 1930.

General Secretary Kim Jong Il confirmed the Songun idea, saying that primary efforts should be paid to military affairs in the period of the “arduous march.” He named it the “rifle philosophy.” According to it, rifle decides the destiny of the party, the state and the people. The principle of placing the army, the main agent above the working class becomes the basis for practice.

Today the Songun idea is regarded as the political and theoretical guide in the economy and all other domains. The Songun idea considers the army as the core and vanguard of the revolution.

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Like this, this small country in Asia traverses its peculiar path in the world which is being integrated.

The DPRK has chosen it. We must respect the implementation of its right to self-determination which accords with the UN Charter. In other words, we must recognize the right to choose political systems.

The DPRK places independent demand above others and provided with the means to respect it. With what can we criticize the DPRK? The USA enables other countries not to participate in the negotiation for introducing the DPRK in the UN arena. Former President Bill Clinton and the special envoy of President Barak Obama visited this country.

In some aspects, the performance in Pyongyang by the New York Philharmonic orchestra in February, 2008 can be said to be a spring heralded by a swallow. As Lorin Maazel, conductor of the orchestra said, the performance was one people’s behavior of sincerity and friendship toward other people.

I visited the DPRK on 12 occasions from 1983 to 2008 proceeding from friendship and justice. During my stays in the DPRK I witnessed with my own eyes how ardently the Korean people love peace.

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