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A joint declaration between Albania and North Korea which highlights the two countries' dedication to the struggle against imperialism and modern revisionism

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With the invitation of the Central Committee of the Korean Workers' Party and the Government of the Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea, a delegation of the Albanian Labor Party and the Government of the Peoples' Republic of Albania, headed by the Member of the Political Bureau of the Albanian Labor Party Central Committee and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the Peoples' Republic of Albania, Comrade Mehmet Shehu, conducted a friendly visit to the DPR of Korea from [date].....to.....

The delegation of the Party and the Government of the PR of Albania visited the following cities....., various centers of industrial production, agricultural cooperatives, educational and cultural institutions; it came into contact with the wider masses of the Korean people. During these visits and meetings it learned from close by about the work and the grand successes of the brotherly Korean people in the construction of socialism. The warm and brotherly reception that the delegation was given everywhere it went attests to the great and unbreakable friendship that joins the peoples of these two brother countries.

During its visit, the delegation of the Party and the Government of the PR of Albania held talks with the delegation of the Party and the Government of the DPR of Korea on the development and further strengthening of the relations between our two parties and countries, on the present international situation, and on the situation of the international communist and workers' movement. The talks were held in a cordial atmosphere, in the proletarian internationalism and mutual understanding spirit, and showed the unity of our points of view in all issues.

In the talks there were present:

From the Albanian side..... .

From the Korean side..... .

During the talks, both sides noticed with due satisfaction that the relationship, friendship and brotherly cooperation that exist between the two parties and the two countries have become ever stronger and wider based on the principles of Marxism-Leninism and of the proletarian internationalism, and are conducted for the basic interest of the two peoples, the interests of the socialist camp, of the international communist movement, and the cause of world peace. The common struggle against the enemies of communism, for the freedom of the peoples, and for world peace-against the world imperialism, with the American imperialism at its helm, the international reactionaries, and the modern revisionism-has closely linked our two countries and parties. Both sides are intent on strengthening even further the mutual relations and cooperation in all fields and the brotherly friendship between Albania and Korea to the advantage of both countries, of socialism, and of world peace.

The delegation of the Party and the Government of the PR of Albania expressed its joy at the grand successes that the brotherly Korean people has achieved under the correct leadership of the Korean Workers' Party and the Government of the DPR of Korea, with Comrade Kim Il Sung at its helm, toward the construction of socialism in the country. After the liberation of the country and the historic victory over the American imperialist aggressors, the Korean people, while holding high the revolutionary and anti-imperialist banner and while relying mainly on their own forces, brought to an end once and for all the backwardness and poverty, built to a high level the socialist economy, successfully accomplished the cultural revolution, and transformed their country, the DPR of Korea, into a powerful industrial agricultural socialist country, with a progressive culture and science, and into a strong castle of socialism and a peace component in Asia and the world over. The international authority of the DPR of Korea is always on the rise as a result of its

anti-imperialist, anti-revisionist, and peaceful policies. By holding the rifle in one hand, and the sickle and pickaxe on the other, the Korean people stand today undaunted at the easternmost edge of the socialist camp and goes forward toward new victories on the road to the construction of socialism.

The ALP and the Government of the PR of Albania denounce with resoluteness the American imperialism and its supporters for the military occupation of the southern part of Korea, for the transformation of the southern part of Korea into a colony where misery, heavy exploitation, and the imperialist fascist violence reign; for the use of South Korea as a base for the American aggression against the DPR of Korea and as a serious danger to the peace in the Far East. Through the centuries Korea has been one undivided whole. The Korean people are one undivided whole. The Albanian delegation reiterates the support and full solidarity of the Albanian people with policy and struggle of the Korean people, their Workers' Party and the Government of the DPR of Korea for the immediate departure of the American aggressors from South Korea, for a chance for the Korean people to be able to solve its own issues, and for the reunification and full independence of the Korean people. The Albanian side fully supports the struggle of the people of South Korea and considers legal all the means it may use, including force, to liberate itself from the occupation of the American imperialism and its puppets.

Both the sides denounce the conclusion of the "South Korea-Japan Treaty" as a political and military ploy by the Japanese government and the puppets of South Korea against the DPR of Korea, as a weapon at the hands of the American imperialism for the creation of the aggressive military alliance of the countries of North East Asia and of a single anti-communist bloc in Asia against the socialist countries of the continent, against the national liberation movements, and the struggle of the peoples of this area of the world for national freedom and independence, for social liberation, and peace. The "South Korea-Japan Treaty" clearly shows the aggressive intentions of the Japanese government toward the DPR of Korea the other socialist countries of Asia. The Albanian delegation denounces with fervor this antagonistic policy of the Japanese government and of the American imperialism, and considers it the internationalist duty of all the socialist countries the full unmasking of this disreputable treaty, the opposition to the cooperation of the Japanese government with the puppets of South Korea, and the defense by all means of the DPR of Korea against this American, Japanese, and South Korean ploy.

The Korean side.....(about Albania)

Both sides noticed with delight that the international situation, despite the serious dangers that the policies of hegemony and aggression by the USA poses, is developing favorably for the revolutionary forces that fight for national and social liberation, for socialism, and for the preservation of world peace; that these forces are in expansion; they have taken the initiative; and they are deciding the course of history. At a time when the revolution and socialism are reaping victories repeatedly, the world capitalist system has entered an even sharper phase of its total crisis; the old colonialism is undergoing total liquidation from the national liberation wars of the peoples; the national liberation movements are widening with fervor; new revolutionary storms are brewing in Asia, Africa, and Latin America; the ever stronger contradictions between the imperialist powers are destroying their camps and their aggressive pacts. The future of imperialism is bleak and neither its pressures and swindling, nor the brutal force it uses to stop and oppress the revolutionary struggle of the peoples will save it from the unavoidable and final defeat.

Both our sides are of the single opinion that the socialist countries and the proletarian Marxist-Leninist parties must fully understand this favorable situation and must utilize it for a more powerful support of the revolutionary struggle of the peoples for national liberation and independence, for socialism, and for world peace.

Both our sides support with all their forces the national liberation, anti-imperialist, and anti-colonial movements of the peoples of Asia, Africa, and Latin America for the gain and preservation of their national independence. It is their single opinion that all the communists of the world and all the progressive forces must actively support the anti-imperialist and anti-colonial struggle of the countries of Asia, Africa, and Latin America, which at the moment are the hot spots of the revolutionary storms of the world. It is both our sides' single opinion that the direct strikes that the imperialists are suffering from the peoples of these countries are a very great boost for the struggle of the peoples of the socialist countries, as well as for the struggle of the working class and the popular masses of the capitalist countries of Europe, the USA, and Oceania against the capitalist oppression and exploitation and for the preservation of peace.

Both our sides are of the single opinion that the position the countries take about the heroic struggle of the Vietnamese people against the fascist aggression of the USA shows who truly fights against the American imperialism and its allies in the aggression, and who follows a policy of concession without principles, of compromise, and cooperation with it. Both our sides support with all their forces the selfless struggle of the brotherly Vietnamese people against the criminal aggression of the USA, they warmly herald its splendid victories, and reiterate their full solidarity with the Democratic Republic of Vietnam and with the National Liberation Front of South Vietnam, the sole representative of the people of South Vietnam. They support without any reservations the Four Points of the Government of the DR of Vietnam and the Five Conditions of the National Liberation Front of South Vietnam as the only basis for a solution to the Vietnamese issue. They completely disregard the phony slogans and the devilish plans of the American imperialism for "peace talks." The American aggressors must immediately and unconditionally cease all their barbarous attacks against the people of Vietnam; they must remove all theirs, and their mercenaries' troops from Vietnam along with their armaments; the people of South Vietnam must be left alone to decide their fates on their own.

Both our sides are of the single opinion that the resolute support for the people of Vietnam in their just anti-imperialist struggle is the duty of all the freedom loving countries and of all the revolutionary and progressive forces of the world. This is, above all, a high internationalist duty for all the socialist countries. One cannot be an ally and in solidarity with the DR of Vietnam and with the Vietnamese people in their liberation struggle, while at the same time keeping and developing multisided relations with the aggressors and killers of the Vietnamese people, the USA. Both our sides consider the struggle of the Vietnamese people as a great contribution to all the peoples of the world who are waging a revolutionary struggle for national freedom and independence, for socialism, and for peace.

Both our sides express their unwavering conviction that the heroic Vietnamese people, no matter what the sacrifices they will need to make, will reap the final victory over the American imperialists and will take forward their glorious revolutionary cause.

Both our sides express their full support for the right of the Peoples' Republic of China to liberate and unite with the motherland its land, Taiwan, and the other Chinese islands forcefully occupied by the USA. Both our sides resolutely denounce the aggressive policies of the USA against the PR of China, as well as their absurd plans for the "encirclement of China," this socialist world power, which, with its achievements and peaceful policies, has won the admiration of the peoples of the world and has become an infallible castle of world peace and socialism.

Both our sides express their support for the Kingdom of Cambodia, for the people of Laos, of Congo, and of the Dominican Republic, victims of American imperialism aggression, and they promise them their active solidarity.

Both our sides fervently support the just liberation struggle of the peoples of Oman, of southern Arabia, of Angola, of Mozambique, the so-called Portuguese Guinea, of South Rhodesia, and of the other peoples of Asia, Africa, and Latin America who have taken up arms for national liberation and independence.

Both our sides indignantly denounce the fascist policy of the racist government of South Africa, the racial oppression and discrimination of the black people of the USA, and the inhuman massacre of tens of thousands of communists, and progressive and democratic people in Indonesia by the fascist Indonesian reactionaries.

Both our sides follow with concern the rebirth of vindictive militarism in West Germany and the expansionist policies of the leadership circles in the Federal Republic of Germany, who are openly bringing up the matter of the annexation of the Democratic Republic of Germany and the review of the borders. Both our sides support the DR of Germany and express their support for the conclusion as soon as possible of a peace treaty with Germany, as the fairest course for the solving of the German issue and for the stopping of the expansionist hunger of the West Germans' vindictivists.

The Albanian side values immensely the contribution and active support that the DPR of Korea gives to the cause of peace and the liberation of the peoples of Asia with its policies and unremitting efforts.

The Korean side..... .

During the visit of the Albanian delegation to Korea, there were also talks held between the sides on matters pertaining to the relations between the ALP and the Korean Workers' Party as well as about the situation of the international communist and workers' movement.

Both our sides, seeing with great joy the cooperation that exists between the two parties, expressed their desire that in the future this cooperation be widened, and that the mutual experience amassed by each in both the construction of socialism and the mutual struggle for the preservation and the triumph of Marxism-Leninism is shared between the two parties.

The ALP and the Korean Workers' Party reiterate their unwavering resoluteness to stand forever faithful to the life giving lessons of Marxism-Leninism and the revolutionary principles of the Declarations of 1957 and 1960 of the communist and workers' parties.

Both our sides are of the single opinion that the unity of the countries of the socialist camp and of the international communist and workers' movement can be based only upon the foundation of a consistent struggle against imperialism, with the American imperialism at its helm, which is the international cop and the primary enemy of the revolutionary struggle of all the peoples of the world fighting for freedom, independence, and socialism, and the primary creator of all the aggressive wars around the world. Both our sides reiterate, that in the present conditions, when the American imperialism is feverishly waging its aggressive wars, the primary task at the international level for the communists parties and for the progressive peoples of the world is the fight head to head against the American imperialism, as well as against all those that try to soften the aggressive appearance of imperialism, that strengthen the cooperation and relations to it, that betray the revolutionary struggle of the peoples, and the principled interests of socialism.

Both our sides are determined to fight to the end against the modern revisionism, as the primary danger to the international communist movement. The sides are

convinced that without the principled and irreconcilable struggle against the modern revisionists, there cannot be a successful struggle against imperialism, because the struggle against the modern revisionism, against the traitorous clique of Tito in Yugoslavia, and against every kind of opportunism of the left or the right is a necessary condition for the successful completion of the revolution, for the construction of socialism, and for the unity of the socialist camp and of the international communist movement.

Both our sides express their deep conviction that no matter how long, or difficult, or complicated the struggle against imperialism, with the American imperialism at its helm, and the struggle against modern revisionism may be, in the end the revolutionary and peace loving peoples of the world shall come out triumphant over imperialism and colonialism, the revolution shall come out triumphant over the counterrevolution, Marxism-Leninism shall come out triumphant over modern revisionism, and socialism shall come out triumphant over capitalism.

Both our sides shall continually fight that the relations between the communist parties are rigorously following the mutually decided norms of interaction, based on the principles of equality, of non-intervention, of mutual respect, and of the mutual internationalist assistance. Both our sides reject the privileged position, the separation of parties into large and small, the subordination of parties, intervention in internal affairs, and the exertion of pressure, threats, or blackmail, as well as the foreign or antagonistic acts, which are irreconcilable with the spirit of internationalism and the lessons of Marxism-Leninism.

The ALP and the Korean Workers' Party reiterate their solidarity with the struggle of the working class and of all the workers of the world for democratic rights and social liberation in the capitalist countries.

While reiterating their militant solidarity with the heroic Communist Party of Indonesia, at the receiving end of brutal attacks by the fascist Indonesian reactionaries and imperialism, the two parties express their conviction that the CP of Indonesia shall be able to overcome through a revolutionary struggle the rabid enemies of the Indonesian people and their experienced forward guard, and that the Party shall come out stronger and victorious.

In the struggle for the construction of socialism, against imperialism, the reactionaries, and the modern revisionism, for the victory of Marxism-Leninism and peace, the ALP and the Korean Workers' Party support and shall always support one another.

Both our sides are deeply convinced that the visit of the Delegation of the Albanian Labor Party and the Government of the Peoples' Republic of Albania to the Democratic Peoples' Republic of Korea, and the talks and meetings it had with leaders of the Korean party and government comprise a valuable contribution for the further strengthening of the friendship and the brotherly cooperation between the Albanian people and the Korean people, between the parties and the governments of the two countries, in the interest of the cause of socialism and world peace.

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