

## ON THE ROAD FOR INDEPENDENCE AND PROSPERITY BY DINT OF SELF-RELIANCE IN 2019

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The year 2019 was a stirring year in which the DPRK fully demonstrated its dignity and potential for development under the outstanding and wise guidance of Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un.

Thanks to his ceaseless on-site guidance, Samjiyon was transformed into a model of mountainous cultured town, and the creations for the people, including Jungphyong Vegetable Greenhouse Farm and Tree Nursery and Yangdok Hot Spring Resort with spa baths, ski slopes and horse-riding ground, were built. The state-of-the-art weapons system was also developed to safeguard the

country's sovereignty and right to existence more staunchly.

His energetic external activities rendered a great contribution to significantly raising the prestige and status of the DPRK and reliably ensuring peace and security in the Korean peninsula and the rest of the world.

The immortal exploits of Kim Jong Un who was always on the road of devotion for the people and the country throughout the year and thus opened up a broad avenue for achieving prosperity by dint of self-reliance will shine forever in the history of the DPRK.





Kim Jong Un delivering New Year Address in January 2019

"We should bring about a revolutionary upsurge on all fronts of socialist construction by regarding self-reliance as a treasured sword for prosperity, a spirit which has always been a banner of struggle and driving force for a leap forward in the whole course of the Korean revolution."

Kim Jong Un



Chairman Kim Jong Un of the Workers' Party of Korea guiding the Fourth Plenary Meeting of the Seventh Central Committee of the WPK in April

The meeting discussed and decided the important issues in consolidating the foundations of the self-supporting economy and speeding up socialist construction under the banner of self-reliance.

The Chairman reaffirmed the invariable political line of the WPK to build a powerful socialist country under the uplifted banner of self-reliance.





Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK, making a policy speech, titled, *On Socialist Construction and the Internal and External Policies of the Government of the Republic at the Present Stage*, at the First Session of the 14th Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK in April

"The present political situation demands that our State hold higher the banner of self-sufficiency and self-reliance."

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Kim Jong Un



"When we strive hard with an indefatigable spirit on the principle of self-reliance by adhering to the Party's new strategic line, our country's strength will redouble and our people's dreams and ideals will come true."

Kim Jong Un







Kim Jong Un looking round the then Samjiyon County in April





Kim Jong Un at the construction site of the Wonsan Kalma Coastal Resort in April





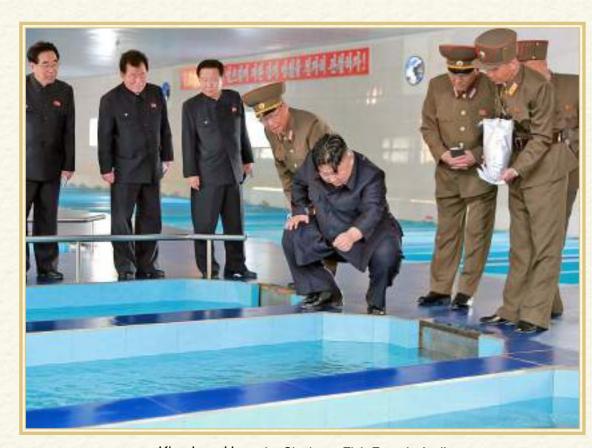


Kim Jong Un at the construction site of the hot spring resort in Yangdok County, South Phyongan Province, in April





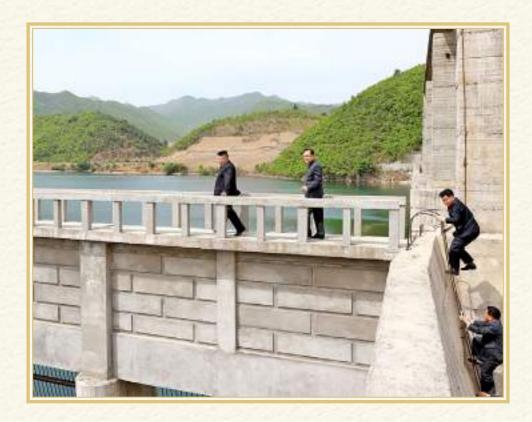
Kim Jong Un at the Daesong Department Store before its opening in April



Kim Jong Un at the Sinchang Fish Farm in April







Kim Jong Un at the Kumyagang Power Station Unit 2 in May





Kim Jong Un at the Kanggye General Tractor Factory in May



Kim Jong Un giving field guidance at the Kanggye General Precision Machine Factory in May



Kim Jong Un at the February 8 General Machine Factory in May



Kim Jong Un at the Jangjagang Machine Tool Factory in May

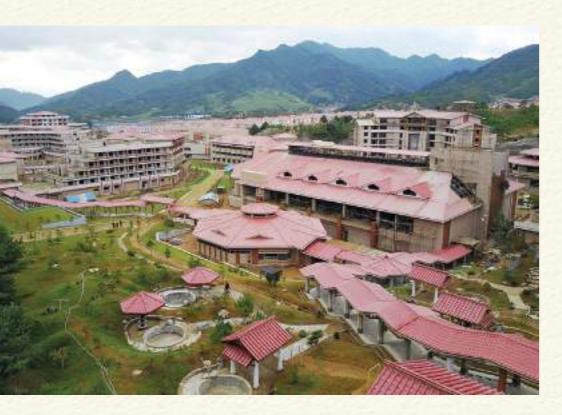


Kim Jong Un examining the master plans for the construction of Kanggye and Manpho in May



Kim Jong Un at the Phyongnam General Machine Factory in June







Kim Jong Un at the construction site of the hot spring resort in Yangdok County, South Phyongan Province, in August



Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Central Military Commission of the WPK, presiding over the emergency enlarged meeting of the Party Central Military Commission which was urgently convened to prevent damage by Typhoon No. 13 in September



Kim Jong Un with the participants in the 14th National Conference of Teachers in September



Kim Jong Un at Farm No. 1116 in October





Kim Jong Un looking round the construction sites in the then Samjiyon County in October



Kim Jong Un visiting the Jungphyong Vegetable Greenhouse Farm and Tree Nursery under construction in Kyongsong County, North Hamgyong Province, in October

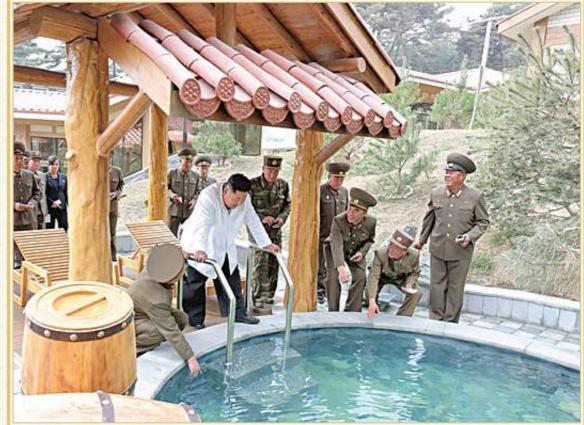






Kim Jong Un looking round the Mt Kumgang Tourist Resort in October





Kim Jong Un looking round the hot spring resort whose construction was nearing completion in Yangdok County, South Phyongan Province, in October



Kim Jong Un visiting the Myohyangsan Medical Appliances Factory in October





Kim Jong Un at the Yangdok Hot Spring Resort under construction in November





Kim Jong Un at the August 25 Fishery Station in November





Kim Jong Un at the newly-built Thongchon Fish Processing Factory in November







Kim Jong Un attending the inaugural ceremony of the then Samjiyon County town in December











Kim Jong Un looking round the Jungphyong Vegetable Greenhouse Farm after the inaugural ceremony of the farm and tree nursery in December







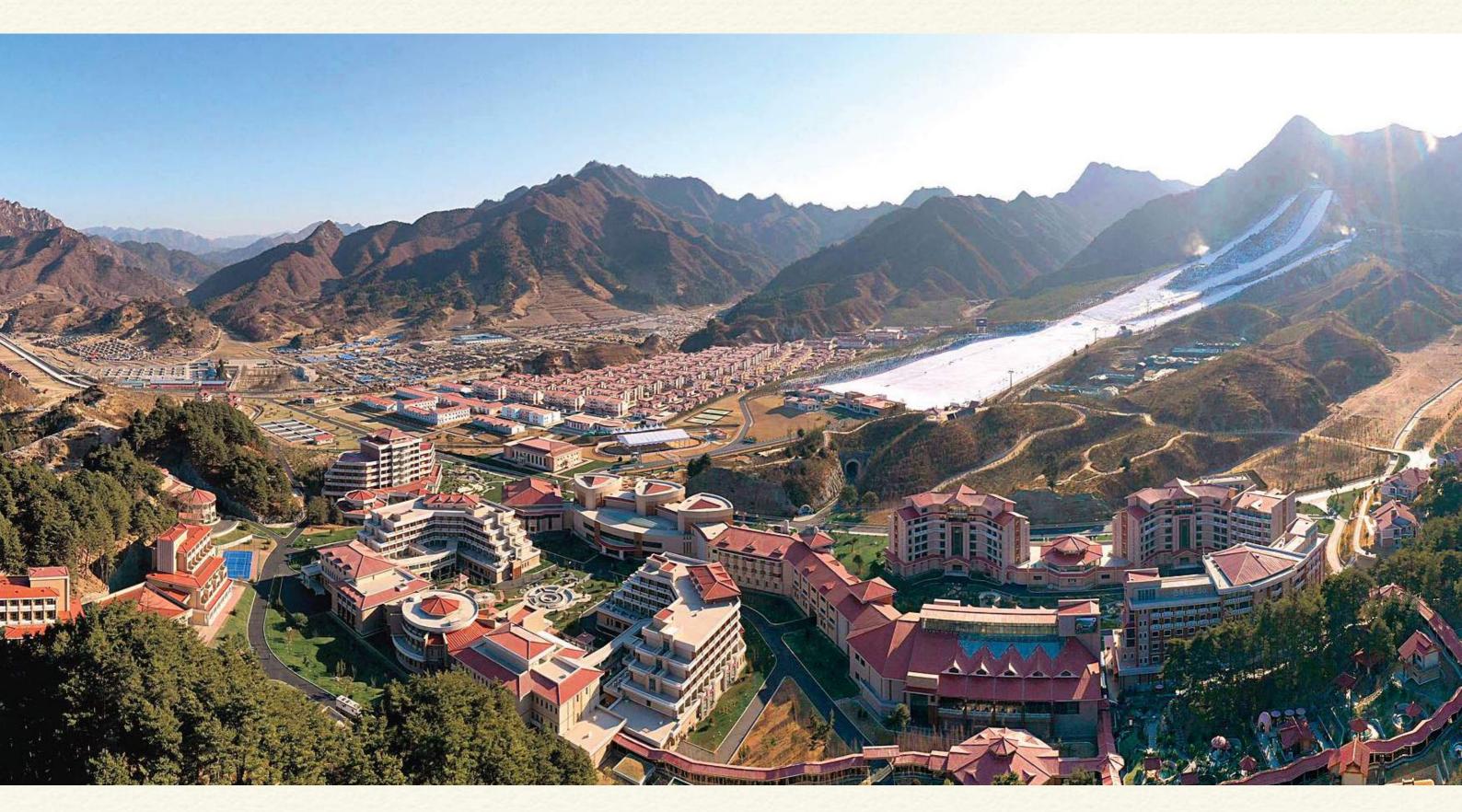




Kim Jong Un cutting the red ribbon at the inaugural ceremony of the Yangdok Hot Spring Resort in December

















## Defending the Sovereignty of the Country and Security of the People

"Powerful self-defence capacity is a cornerstone of the existence of a state and a guarantee for safeguarding peace."

Kim Jong Un





Kim Jong Un making a congratulatory visit to the Ministry of the People's Armed Forces to mark the 71st founding anniversary of the Korean People's Army in February









Kim Jong Un overseeing the flight drill of a KPA Air and Anti-Aircraft Force unit in April



Kim Jong Un directing the fire strike drill of defence units of the KPA on the front line and eastern front mounted in the East Sea of Korea in May















Kim Jong Un directing the fire strike drill of the defence units of the KPA on the front line and western front in May

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Kim Jong Un enjoying a performance given by the art groups of the officers' wives of the KPA units selected in the seventh round of the second contest of art groups of officers' wives in June





Kim Jong Un posing for a photograph together with flight commanding officers of the Air and Anti-Aircraft Force of the KPA after their combat flight contest-2019 in November





Kim Jong Un guiding an airborne landing drill of snipers' units of the Air and Anti-Aircraft Force of the KPA and posing for a photograph with them in November

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Kim Jong Un inspecting an island-defending unit of the KPA in November



Kim Jong Un inspecting a women's company of the KPA in November





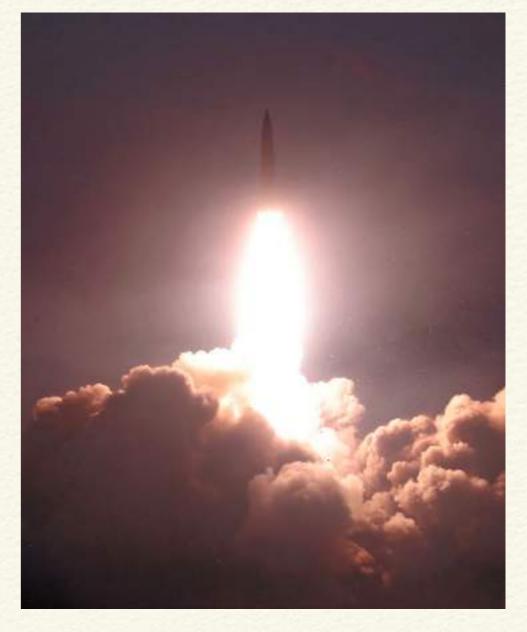
Kim Jong Un organizing and guiding the power demonstration fire of a new-type tactical guided weapon in July





Kim Jong Un overseeing another test-fire of the latest large-calibre guided multiple rocket launcher in August





Kim Jong Un watching the demonstration fire of new-type tactical guided missiles in August



Kim Jong Un inspecting the test-fire of a new weapon in August



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Kim Jong Un overseeing another test-fire of a new weapon in August





Kim Jong Un guiding the test-fire of a newly-developed super-large multiple rocket launcher in August







Kim Jong Un guiding another test-fire of a super-large multiple rocket launcher in September





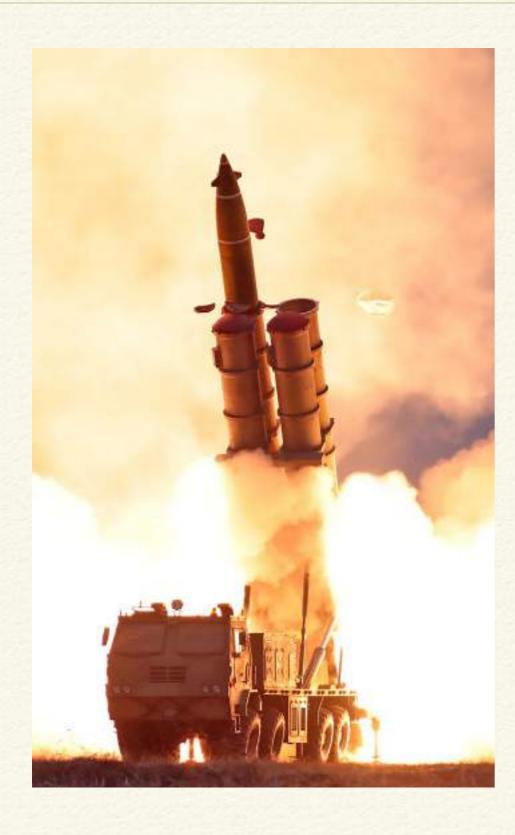








Test-fire of *Pukguksong-3*, a new-type SLBM, successfully conducted by the Academy of Defence Science of the DPRK in October



Kim Jong Un inspecting the test-fire of the super-large multiple rocket launch system conducted by the Academy of Defence Science in November



"Our Party and the government of our Republic will continue to bolster up unity and cooperation with the socialist countries and develop relations with all countries that are friendly to us under the ideals of independence, peace and friendship."

Kim Jong Un







Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK, visiting the People's Republic of China and meeting Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and president of the PRC, in January





Talks between Kim Jong Un and Xi Jinping held at the Great Hall of the People



A grand banquet hosted by Xi Jinping at the Great Hall of the People to welcome Kim Jong Un



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Kim Jong Un and Ri Sol Ju having a pleasant chat in an amicable atmosphere with Xi Jinping and Peng Liyuan in a luncheon



Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un welcoming at the Pyongyang International Airport Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and president of the PRC, in June



Kim Jong Un having talks with Xi Jinping

## 2019



Kim Jong Un hosting a grand banquet to welcome Xi Jinping on his visit to the DPRK







Kim Jong Un giving a luncheon for Xi Jinping and Peng Liyuan

Kim Jong Un visiting the lodging quarters of Xi Jinping and walking together in its garden



Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK and supreme commander of the armed forces of the DPRK, visiting the Russian Federation and meeting President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin in April









Kim Jong Un having talks with V. V. Putin





Russian President giving a grand banquet in honour of the DPRK Supreme Leader







Kim Jong Un saying goodbye to Putin



Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK, paying an official goodwill visit to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and meeting Nguyen Phu Trong, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Vietnam and president of the SRV, in March



## 2019



An official ceremony at the plaza of the Presidential Palace to welcome Kim Jong Un





Kim Jong Un having talks with Nguyen Phu Trong



Kim Jong Un meeting Nguyen Xuan Phuc, prime minister of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam



Kim Jong Un meeting Nguyen Thi Kim Ngan, chairwoman of the Vietnamese National Assembly



At the splendid banquet arranged to welcome Kim Jong Un's visit to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam



Kim Jong Un leaving the Socialist Republic of Vietnam amid enthusiastic cheers from the Vietnamese people



Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK, meeting and having talks with Donald J. Trump, president of the United States of America, in Hanoi, Vietnam, in February







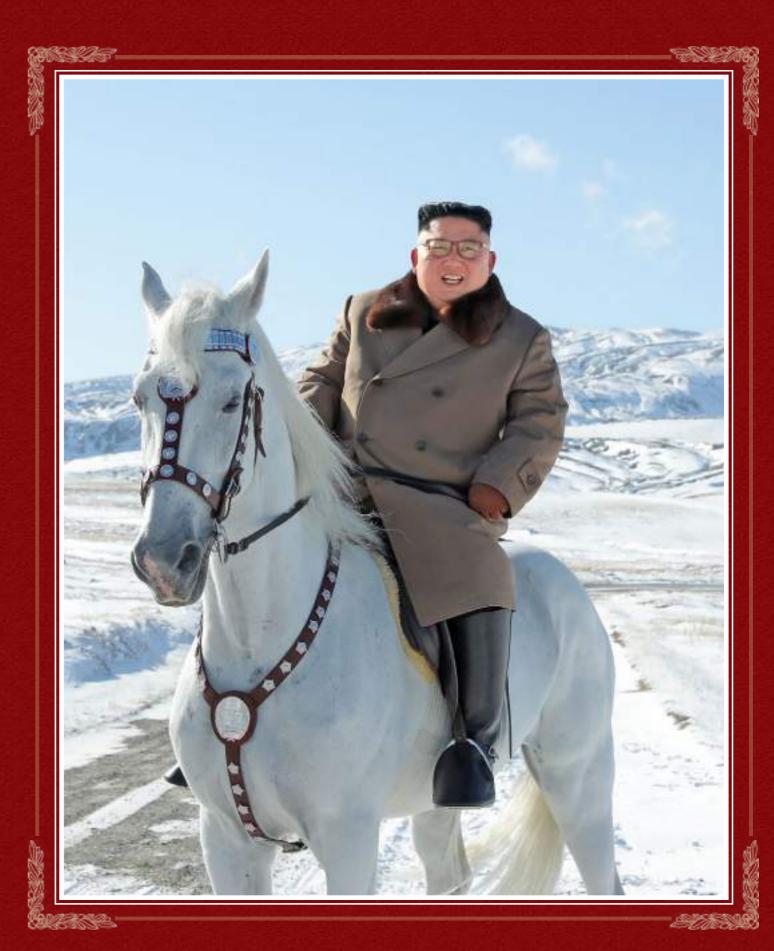


Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un accepting the proposal of President Trump and having a surprise meeting and talks with him at Panmunjom in June

## **Carrying Forward the Revolutionary Traditions of Paektu**

"Whenever I climb up Mt Paektu, I harden my resolve more firmly to accomplish the revolutionary cause of Juche pioneered and led by the great Comrades Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong Il."

Kim Jong Un





Kim Jong Un on top of Mt Paektu in October







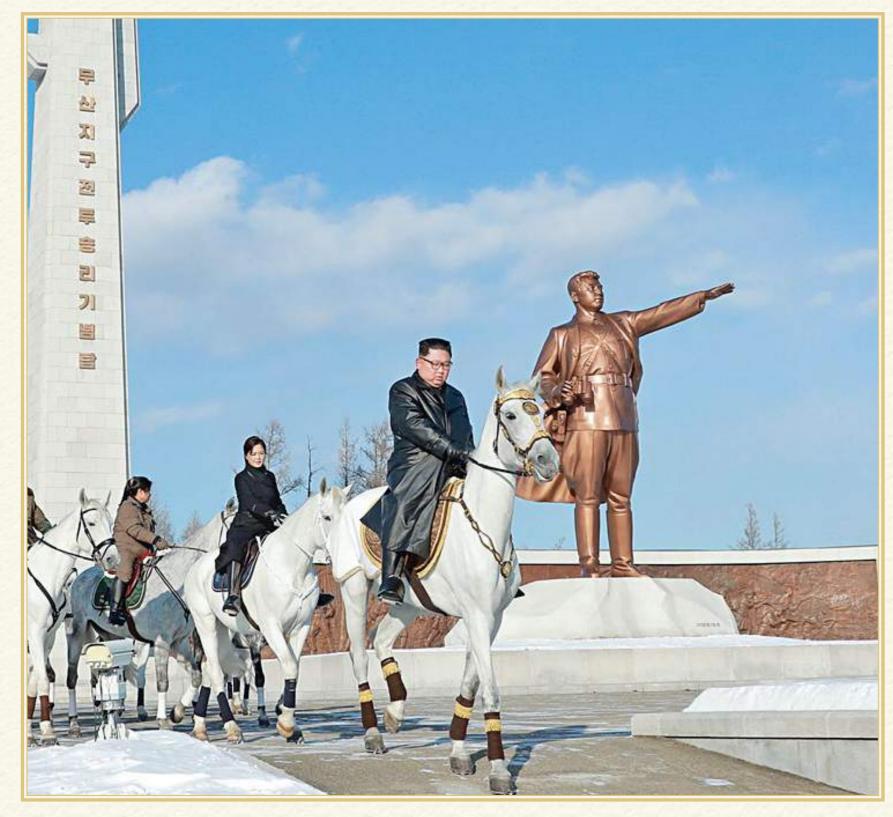
















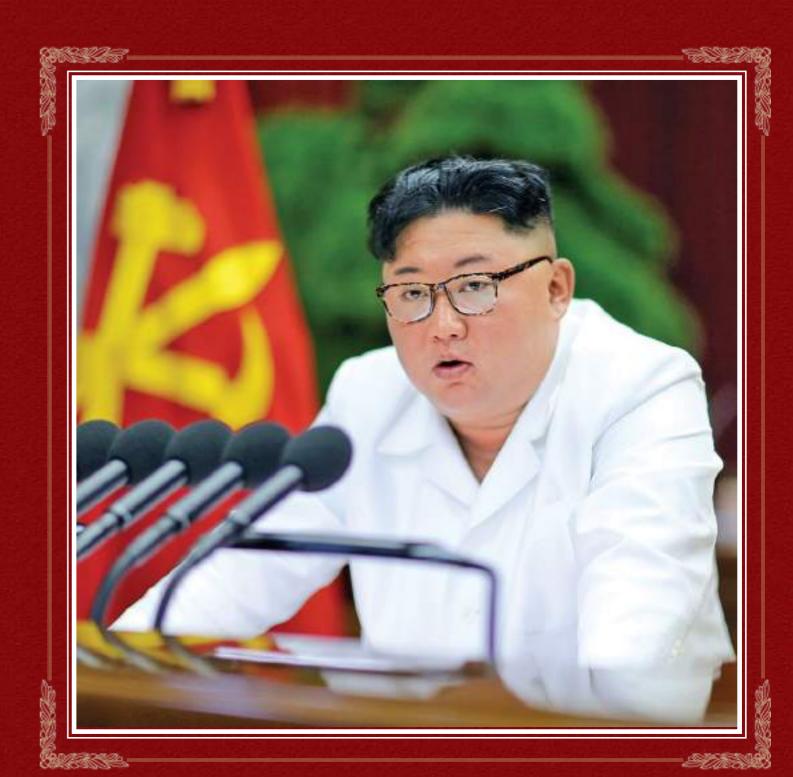
Kim Jong Un on Mt Paektu again



## Immortal Programme Indicating the Road to Victory of the Revolutionary Cause of Juche

"Let Us Smash Straight Through All the Barriers in the Way of Our Advance!'—this is the fighting slogan the entire Party and all the people should uphold today."

Kim Jong Un



Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, guiding the Fifth Plenary Meeting of the Seventh Party Central Committee in December

The plenary meeting dealt with the agenda items on the orientation of the immediate struggle of the Party and the state under the prevailing situation and important policies for achieving a fresh victory of the Korean revolution. Kim Jong Un advanced the revolutionary line on launching an offensive for making a frontal breakthrough as required by the present situation and the developing revolution and put forward the tasks and ways for its implementation.











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