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I warmly welcome your visit to our country.

I express my gratitude to the Chairman of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania for sending his greetings to me.

Your current visit to our country shows that our two parties and peoples have a very close relationship.

You said that you learned about our experience in building the party and the state during your stay in our country; party building is a very important question in developing countries. Only when developing countries build a strong party and enhance its role, can they mobilize the masses of the people to build a new society successfully.

Bourgeois parties in developed capitalist countries can be called assembly centres where capitalists gather for election campaigns. Many developing countries are building their parties like those in developed capitalist countries; they must not follow such methods. Those parties are not powerful enough to mobilize the masses of the people to build a new society. Developing countries must organize and develop their parties not for the sake of election campaigns but so as to be able to mobilize the people

for building a new society.

The most important question facing developing countries at present is to organize and motivate the people in the building of a new society. Developing countries have abundant natural resources. However, they do not have the funds or up-to-date machines needed to develop such resources. In fact, all they have are people, so to speak. Under such conditions mobilizing the strength of the people is the only way to exploit natural resources and make effective use of them.

Tanzania has a large territory and abounds in underground resources and water. You are short of funds and up-to-date machines, but you have the masses of the people; if you enlist their energies in land reclamation and irrigation works, you will be able to enjoy a good harvest, provide people with enough food and make them well-off. After all, the strength of the masses is the most powerful weapon in Tanzania in the building of a new society.

To organize and mobilize the masses of the people skilfully, you must build a revolutionary party and strengthen it. Using only a president's baton, without a party, you cannot organize the people efficiently.

We always carry on the revolution and construction

by strengthening the Party and mobilizing the people. The masses of the people have inexhaustible strength. Organizing and mobilizing the masses of the people make it possible to carry out the revolutionary struggle and construction work successfully.

I started my revolutionary activities by going among the people and organizing them. When we were starting the anti-Japanese revolutionary struggle, we had not a rifle to speak of. We began our activity by forming a revolutionary organization with young patriots and building it up; we rallied the broad masses through this organization and roused them to the anti-Japanese struggle. In the course of this we captured weapons from the enemy to arm ourselves and expanded the anti-Japanese armed struggle. During the anti-Japanese armed struggle we had to fight under extremely difficult conditions; we had nothing to rely on but the people. I raised the slogan "As fish cannot live out of water, so the guerrillas cannot live without the people," and saw to it that the soldiers of the People's Revolutionary Army always loved, fought for and relied on the people. At that time our people gave active support and assistance to the People's Revolutionary Army. Thanks to the people's active support and aid, we could fight for nearly 20

years against the one-million-strong Japanese imperialist army, equipped with airplanes, guns and other up-to-date weapons, finally smashing the Japanese imperialist aggressors and liberating the country.

After liberating the country, we also built a new country by organizing and mobilizing the strength of the masses.

After liberation we started to build a new society on the debris. Fleeing our country following their defeat, the Japanese imperialist aggressors destroyed most of our factories and enterprises. Our people had nothing to eat, because the Japanese plundered all our rice.

Shortly after my return to the motherland, some workers in a railway factory created a disturbance, asking for rice, because they were too hungry to work. However, we had no rice to give them, so I appeared before the workers and made a speech: You are demanding rice now, but no rice is available for us who fought the Japanese imperialist aggressors for a long time on Mt Paektu in order to take back our lost country. We returned home with only the empty knapsacks we had carried on our backs on the mountains. Rice must be produced by our own efforts

by raising good crops. If you do not overcome the present food crisis and instead cause trouble, the situation of our country will become more difficult. Causing a riot is not a solution to the rice problem; only when we work hard in firm unity, can we obtain food and become well-off. Hearing my speech, the workers expressed their support, saying that what I said was right.

Afterwards we carried out agrarian reform in the rural areas and launched irrigation projects to help the peasants. In those days I went among the masses with a shovel on my shoulder and encouraged people by working with them. I saw to it that all cadres and Party members led the van of the masses to mobilize them for the struggle to build a new country. By organizing and mobilizing the masses in this way we obtained food and overcame the difficulties facing us.

In 1950, less than five years after the country's liberation, the US imperialists launched an invasion against our people, and our people had to fight them. The US imperialist aggressors were equipped with modern weapons and other combat equipment, whereas our People's Army was in its infancy with old-fashioned weapons and military equipment. Nevertheless, we emerged victorious in this war, too.

We could emerge victorious in the war against the US imperialists, a big power, because we had powerful unity among our people. They all came out and fought heroically, saying that our system was a most excellent system for the people, that the people's committee represented genuine people's power, and that they must win the war in response to the call of the Workers' Party and as taught by General Kim Il Sung, in order to defend the benevolent system and people's power, which gave land to the peasants and made all people well-off.

During the Fatherland Liberation War everything in our country was burnt, destroyed and reduced to ashes. During this three-year war the US imperialist aggressors not only bombed and destroyed towns and farm villages, but also even burnt trees on mountains with incendiary bombs. After the war no cement, steel or brick was available.

After the end of the war we had to carry out reconstruction, but our officials only sighed; they were at a loss as to what to do. When the people were hesitating over how to carry out reconstruction, I appealed to them: As long as we have the land, the people, the people's government and the correct leadership of the Party, we can rise up again even on

the debris. Is it impossible to carry out reconstruction when we have defeated the US imperialists, who boasted of being the “strongest” in the world? Let us all come out for reconstruction. By powerfully drawing all the people into the struggle for reconstruction, we rebuilt the destroyed towns, farm villages and factories in a short span of time and won a great victory in the postwar reconstruction.

Today we are advancing dynamically to reach a high eminence of socialism. All our people are waging a struggle to carry out the Third Seven-Year Plan. If they fulfil this task, our economy will reach a high level. We have the capability of developing the economy rapidly. It comes from the strength of the masses, who have rallied solidly behind the Party and the leader. This September we greet the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Republic. For this festival our people are launching a 200-day campaign for accelerating socialist economic construction. I am the commander-in-chief of this battle. The tasks of this battle are being carried out satisfactorily now. The rail transport sector is hauling 20 000 tons more every day than the planned figure and the coal industry is exceeding its target every day by 20 000 to 30 000 tons. The electricity industry and other sectors, too,

are exceeding their targets. In a nutshell, everything is going well in our country under the leadership of the Party.

You said that you would learn from the success and experience in the building of our Party and carry on the revolutionary struggle vigorously. I think you had better learn about the method of strengthening the Party and the unity of the people, the method of organizing and mobilizing the strength of the people and the like.

In order to carry out revolution and construction successfully, it is necessary to strengthen the party first. Only when the party is consolidated, is it possible to rally the masses of the people firmly, and only when the masses are united, can they shape their destiny by their own efforts, creating more and better material wealth for themselves.

Strengthening the party requires, first of all, the firm unity and cohesion of the whole party, centring on the leader. Just as worker bees form a group and live in a disciplined way, centring on a queen bee, so the collective must have a centre and discipline. Since the party is a revolutionary organization, all its members must be rallied firmly behind it, centring on the leader, and live under strict discipline. Only then

can the party become powerful and lead revolution and construction correctly.

In order to strengthen the party, party organizations must be built soundly and enhance their role. The work of educating party members, uniting the masses of the people and mobilizing them to implement revolutionary tasks is realized through party organizations. Without building up party organizations, the party would become impotent.

In strengthening the party, it is important to set up a proper system of educating its members. In our Party a well-organized system has been established to educate Party members and working people. In our country all the working people are educated and trained politically and ideologically through the life in their organizations.

Our Party has made it a rule for all officials to study half a day every Saturday, to take part in labour on Friday and to attend intensive courses for a month a year. Today is Friday. On this day, except those who are as old as I and those engaged in external affairs, all officials, including the Premier and vice-premiers, participate in physical labour. Physical labour benefits people's health and also has a major effect on revolutionizing people. Tomorrow is Saturday. On this

day all cadres and Party members work at their jobs in the morning, and in the afternoon they study Party policies by their study groups. In our country all cadres attend Party schools or other political schools one month a year. In these one-month courses they study the Party's line and policies in depth and, based upon them, reexamine and criticize the shortcomings revealed in their work and life.

If a cadre is left without reeducation, his brain may be spoiled and become rusty, and in the long run he may degenerate. We help cadres rectify their defects in and out of work promptly through organizational life, as people wash their faces every morning. In other words, if they get stained with capitalist dirt, they must wash it off, and if they are contaminated with revisionist dirt, they must clear it away. Because our Party educates cadres on a regular basis in this way, they do not become affected with capitalism or revisionism, and if they do, they wash it off quickly. Only when the cadres continually cultivate their minds through such education, can they remain ideologically sound and work faithfully with a revolutionary heart and attitude.

Nowadays, the parties of some socialist countries are neglecting ideological education for their cadres,

party members and other working people. Consequently, those parties fail to strike root deep among the people, who go so far as to stage demonstrations and go on strike against their parties. When parties fail to strike root among the masses and do their bit, they will naturally be forsaken by the people.

Neither demonstrations nor strikes against the Party take place in our country; such disturbances will never occur in future either, because our Party is rooted deep among the people, fights for the interests of the people and enjoys their unqualified support.

When I met the President of Tanzania last year, I suggested that our two countries cooperate with each other in launching an irrigation project and running a joint-venture farm in Tanzania. Our two countries have already started joint-venture farming. I was told that some of our agricultural technicians and specialists in your country are suffering from disease. Our officials are unwilling to go to your country, because they are not immune to endemic diseases, so I persuade them to go there for the sake of the revolution and to help the Tanzanian people. If you exert sincere effort for several years and become capable of supplying enough food to the people, it will

mean that the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania has won a great victory.

I hope that the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania will build an independent national economy, displaying the spirit of self-reliance, and convert your country into a prosperous people's country where all the people live happily, and that in the course of this your Party will develop and strengthen into the most brilliant and militant party in Africa.

I wish you, on your return home, to convey my greetings to the chairman of your party, the President and other friends of mine and the greetings of our Party and our people to the members of the Revolutionary Party of Tanzania and the Tanzanian people.

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