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Over the five years after the Eighth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea held in 2021, the defence capabilities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea speeded up their development under the wise leadership of the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un.

Possessed of outstanding military wisdom and foresight, steel-strong courage and matchless pluck, Comrade Kim Jong Un set forth lines and policies for developing the Korean People's Army into an invincible elite revolutionary army by strengthening its political and ideological and military and technical might.

His wise leadership brought about a fundamental turn in training all the officers

and soldiers of the KPA into genuine patriots who are boundlessly faithful to their sacred mission of defending their country, revolution and fellow people and who are the strongest in spiritual power, as well as in carrying out the revolution in their training and military education.

Defence science research groups and the munitions industry achieved notable successes in modernizing the national defence capabilities and further strengthening the superiority already achieved in military technology.

Today the armed forces of the DPRK are reliably defending the security of the country and the people on the strength of self-reliant defence capabilities that prevent hostile forces from attacking them.

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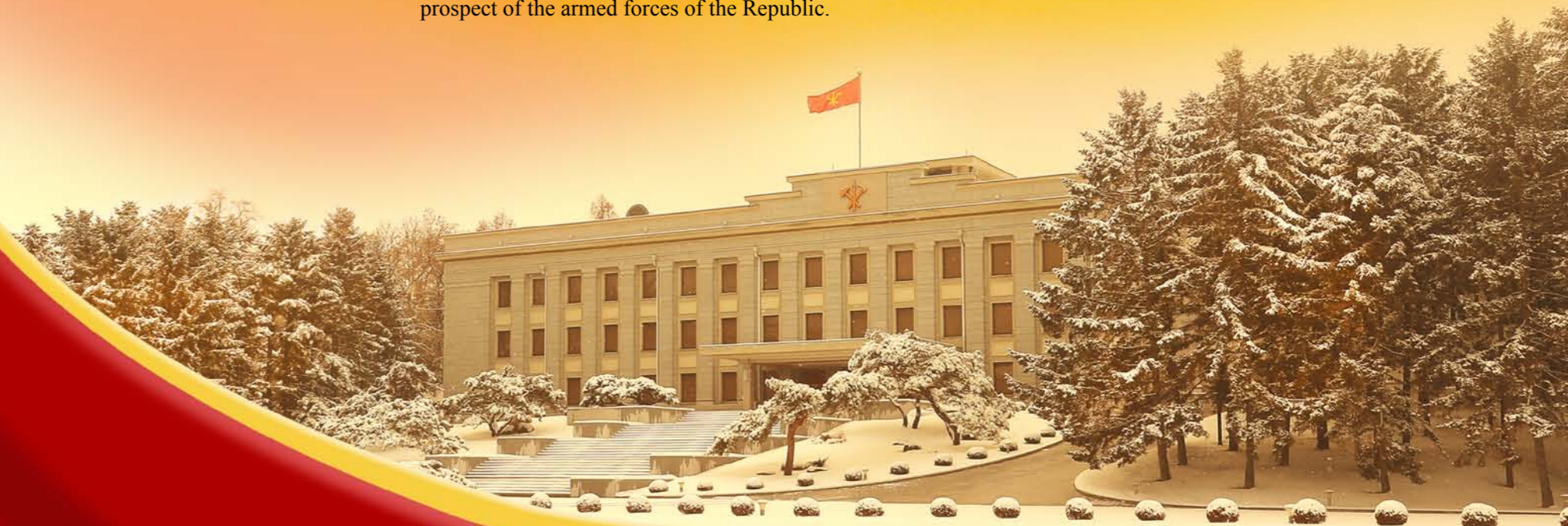


Setting Forth the Line of Developing the Revolutionary Armed Forces into an Elite and Strong Army

Over the past five years, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un provided wise leadership over the work of carrying out the line of developing the revolutionary armed forces into an elite, strong army, the line set forth at the Eighth Congress of the WPK.

He set forth strategic and tactical policies for improving the combat efficiency of the People's Army in every way and rapidly strengthening the defence capabilities of the country at several meetings including the enlarged meetings of the Central Military Commission of the WPK, the First Workshop of KPA Commanders and Political Officers and the Fourth Conference of the Battalion Commanders and Political Instructors of the KPA.

With an insight into the tasks and importance of the institutions of military education in implementing the line of developing the revolutionary armed forces into an elite, strong army, he visited the institutions including Kim Il Sung Military University, Kim Jong Il Military and Political University and Kim Jong Un University of National Defence, and kindled fierce flames of a new revolution in military education for guaranteeing the long-term prospect of the armed forces of the Republic.



First Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in February 2021



The meeting referred to a series of shortcomings revealed in the military and political activities and moral life of KPA commanding officers, and mainly discussed the issue of strictly establishing revolutionary morality and discipline within the army.

Second Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in June 2021



The enlarged meeting set forth important tasks for further enhancing the fighting efficiency of the revolutionary armed forces and bringing about a fresh turn in the overall work of national defence as required by the recent rapidly-changing situation around the Korean peninsula and the internal and external environment of the Korean revolution.

At the meeting, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un analyzed the prevailing situation and the present state of the work of the KPA, and indicated the strategic tasks to be permanently undertaken by the army and ways for developing the revolutionary armed forces.

Third Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in June 2022



The meeting discussed as its agenda items core problems arising in rapidly strengthening and developing the national defence capabilities onto a level demanded by the new stage of the developing revolution by thoroughly implementing the Party's military line and major national defence policies.

At the meeting, the respected Comrade Kim Jong Un made a concluding speech on important principles to be adhered to in all the military and political activities of the KPA.

Fourth Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in February 2023



The meeting discussed the major military and political tasks in 2023 and long-term issues about the orientation of army building.

The meeting referred to a series of practical tasks for bringing about a fundamental turn in military and political affairs. They included issues for taking organizational and structural measures

for fundamentally improving and strengthening military affairs, for constantly expanding and strengthening the operational and combat training of the KPA and more correctly completing its war preparedness, and for amending some items of the internal service regulations of the army. The meeting adopted relevant decisions after studying and discussing these issues.

Fifth Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in March 2023



The meeting set the orientation of the activities and detailed mission of the People's Army for accelerating the rural construction, regional construction and grand socialist construction, designed on a long-term basis and led through a purposeful struggle by the Party. It also discussed and decided on the crucial practical measures for more effectively exercising the war deterrent of the country and using it powerfully and offensively.

Sixth Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in April 2023



The meeting discussed important military issues arising in making the country's defence capabilities and war preparations more perfect with a clear understanding of the present serious security situation on the Korean peninsula, where the aggressive military policy and actions of the US imperialists and the ROK are emerging as a threatening entity,

and to cope with the situation.

While learning about the plan for offensive operation on the front and various combat documents, he clarified the principled issues arising in constantly studying and implementing the military measures for steadily updating and perfecting the war capabilities of the army.

Seventh Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in August 2023



The meeting analyzed the military moves of the chief culprits of the deteriorated situation that disturb peace and stability in the Korean peninsula and its vicinity, and decided on the plans for offensive military countermeasures to thoroughly deter them. It also discussed as its major agenda item the tasks for making full war preparations to neutralize at a blow the enemy attack with overwhelming strategic deterrent and launch simultaneous offensive military actions in contingency.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un signed the order on the important military measures discussed and decided by the Central Military Commission of the WPK.

Eighth Enlarged Meeting of the Eighth Central Military Commission of the WPK held in May 2025



The meeting discussed the important tasks for exercising tight control and guidance so that all military and political activities of the Republic's armed forces are thoroughly conducted as required by the Party's military line and policies by further strengthening the functions and roles of the political organs at all levels in the armed forces organs in keeping with the new stage of the developing revolution and for establishing more firmly the revolutionary command system and steel-like discipline system.



First Workshop of KPA Commanders and Political Officers held in July 2021





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un made a concluding speech regarding the important revolutionary struggle tasks of the KPA at present in implementing the line and policies of the Party on army building, and the issues presented at the workshop.



Eighth Conference of Military Educationists of the KPA held in December 2021





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un made a concluding speech.

He underscored the need to prepare all the military educationists to be true soldiers unfailingly loyal to the ideas and leadership of the Party and to organize and provide military education thoroughly in line with the Party's ideas, policies and methods so as to bring up all the cadets to be commanding officers who will remain absolutely loyal to the Party Central Committee. He set forth principles, development orientation of military education and tasks and ways to this end.



Fourth Conference of the Battalion Commanders and Political Instructors of the KPA held in November 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un made a speech, titled, *On the Prevailing Situation and the Tasks of the Battalion Commanders and Political Instructors of the Armed Forces of the Republic.*





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives field guidance at Kim Jong Il Military and Political University, the highest institute of military education in the country, in April 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to Kim Il Sung Military University in April 2024 on the occasion of the founding anniversary of the Korean People's Revolutionary Army



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to the Academy of Defence Sciences of the DPRK in May 2024 on the occasion of its 60th founding anniversary



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspects O Jin U Artillery Academy in September 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to Kim Jong Un University of National Defence in October 2024 on the occasion of its 60th founding anniversary



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits Kim Il Sung University of Politics, the supreme military and political institution of the Juche-oriented revolutionary armed forces, in February 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits Kang Kon Military Academy in February 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to the Ministry of National Defence on the occasion of the founding anniversary of the KPA in February 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to the Ministry of National Defence in February 2025 on the occasion of the founding anniversary of the KPA



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to the Ministry of National Defence on the occasion of the 78th founding anniversary of the KPA in February 2026



Into a Strong Revolutionary Army Capable of Fighting a War

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gave energetic guidance to the work of strengthening the KPA into a strong revolutionary army capable of fighting a war.

He kindled the flames of revolution in training for a thoroughgoing combat posture of the entire army and gave on-site guidance to the training of its different arms and services under the simulated conditions of an actual war, thereby firmly preparing it into an invincible revolutionary army that can smash any aggressor forces at a stroke.



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides
a strike drill of the KPA frontline long-range artillery
sub-units and the flying corps in October 2022



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the training of air-borne units of the KPA in March 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the artillery firing drill of the KPA large combined units in March 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees
a live artillery firing drill of the graduates of
O Jin U Artillery Academy in October 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un
oversees the firing contest of artillery sub-units
of the KPA large combined units in July 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides a training match between the large combined tankmen's units of the KPA in March 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspects the headquarters
of the Seoul Ryu Kyong Su Guards 105th Tank Division of the Korean People's Army and the
1st Tank and Armoured Infantry Regiment under the direct control of the division in March 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspects a major operational training base in the western area in March 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspects the training base of the special operations forces of the KPA in September 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits
the training base of the special operations units of the KPA
and guides their combined training in April 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspects the combined
tactical drill of different arms conducted under the Training Course
of Conference of Training Officers of the KPA in May 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits the special operations training base under the direct control of the General Staff of the KPA and learns about the training of soldiers in August 2025





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to the KPA Navy Command in celebration of the Day of the Navy in August 2023



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un inspects the Guards 2nd Surface Ship Flotilla of the East Sea Fleet of the KPA Navy in August 2023



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un pays a congratulatory visit to the KPA Air Force Command and a flying group of the 1st Air Wing on the occasion of the Day of Airmen in November 2023





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits a flying group of the Guards 1st Air Wing of the KPA and guides its drill in May 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the military drills of the KPA tactical nukes operation units between September and October 2022





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives field guidance to the unit charged with an important operations task and oversees its fire assault drill in March 2023



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides a combined tactical drill simulating a nuclear counterattack in March 2023





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the first combined tactical drill simulating a nuclear counterattack, participated by the 600mm super-large multiple rocket launcher sub-units, in April 2024

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees a power demonstration firing of the 600mm super-large multiple rocket launcher sub-units in May 2024





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees a strategic cruise missile launch drill in February 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees a hypersonic missile launch drill in January 2026





Representatives of the Fame of the Country

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un issued an order to special operations units of the Korean People's Army to participate in the operations for liberating the Kursk area in Russia according to the treaty on comprehensive strategic partnership between the DPRK and the Russian Federation.

The KPA units dispatched for the overseas operations on the order of Comrade Kim Jong Un greatly contributed to completely liberating the Kursk area, regarding the territory of Russia as the one of their own country and the Russian people as their own siblings and displaying matchless heroism and self-sacrificing spirit on the do-or-die battlefields. The engineers also achieved brilliant results in their combat operations.

Comrade Kim Jong Un called the officers and soldiers of the overseas operations units the representatives of the fame of their motherland and defenders of international justice, ensured that the Memorial Museum of Combat Feats at the Overseas Military Operations was built wonderfully to hand down their great combat feats, and bestowed great affection on the bereaved families of the martyrs.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un meets in August 2025
the major commanding officers of the KPA overseas operations units who returned
home to participate in the ceremony of awarding state commendations



Ceremony of awarding state commendations to the commanding officers and combatants of the KPA overseas operations units takes place in August 2025





내 조국의 별들이여

Artistic performance is given in honour
of the commanding officers and combatants of the
overseas operations units of the KPA in August 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un meets the bereaved families of the martyrs who performed distinguished feats in the overseas military operations, and sincerely consoles them in August 2025



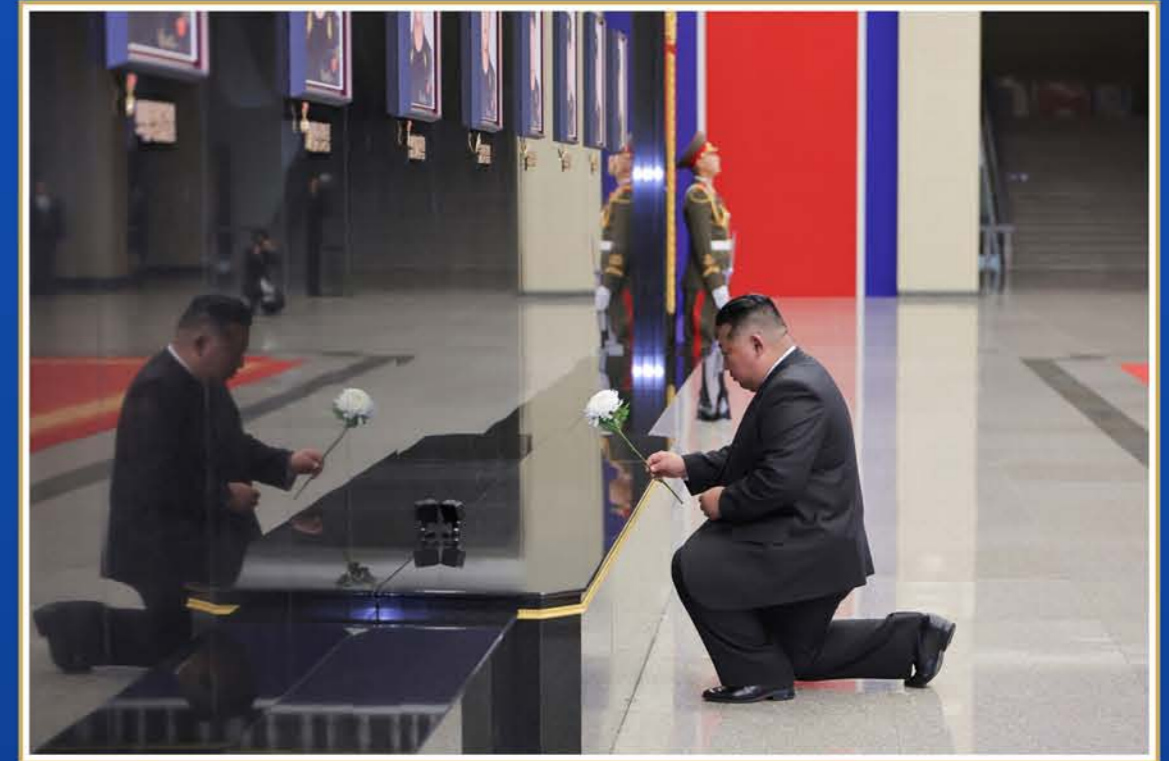
Groundbreaking ceremony for building the Memorial Museum of Combat Feats at the Overseas Military Operations takes place solemnly in October 2025





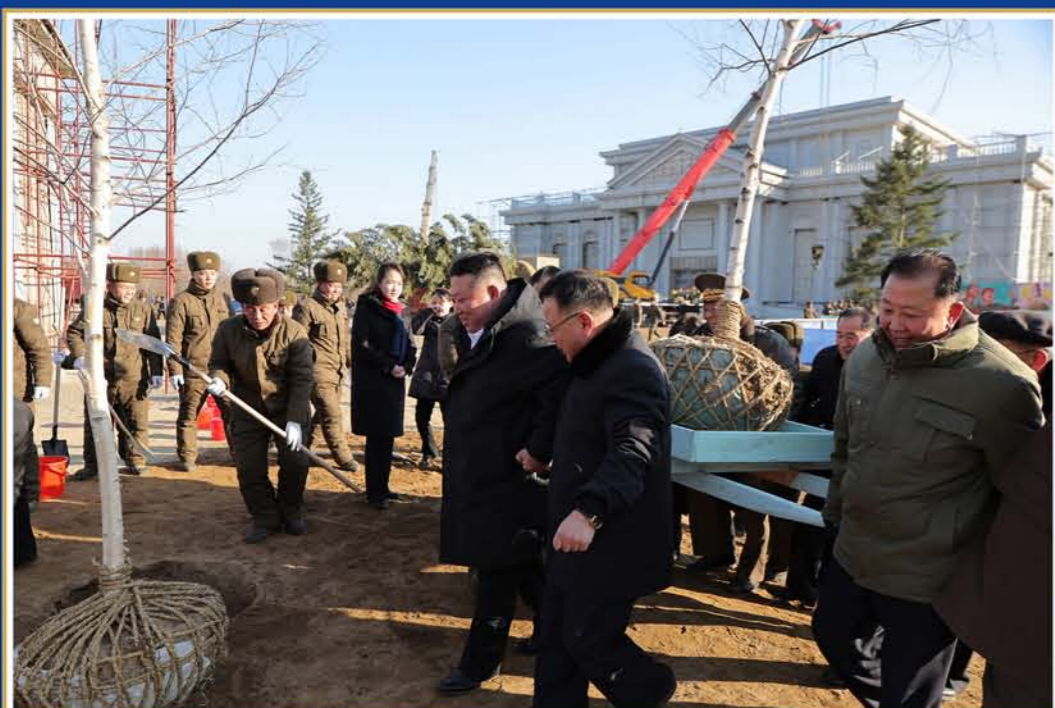
Ceremony of welcoming the KPA unit of engineers, which returned home after carrying out the combat order of the Party in the overseas operations areas, is held in December 2025







The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits the construction site of the Memorial Museum of Combat Feats at the Overseas Military Operations in January 2026



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the creation of sculptures for the Memorial Museum of Combat Feats at the Overseas Military Operations in January 2026



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance over the construction of the Memorial Museum of Combat Feats at the Overseas Military Operations in February 2026



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attends the inauguration ceremony of Saeppeyol Street in February 2026

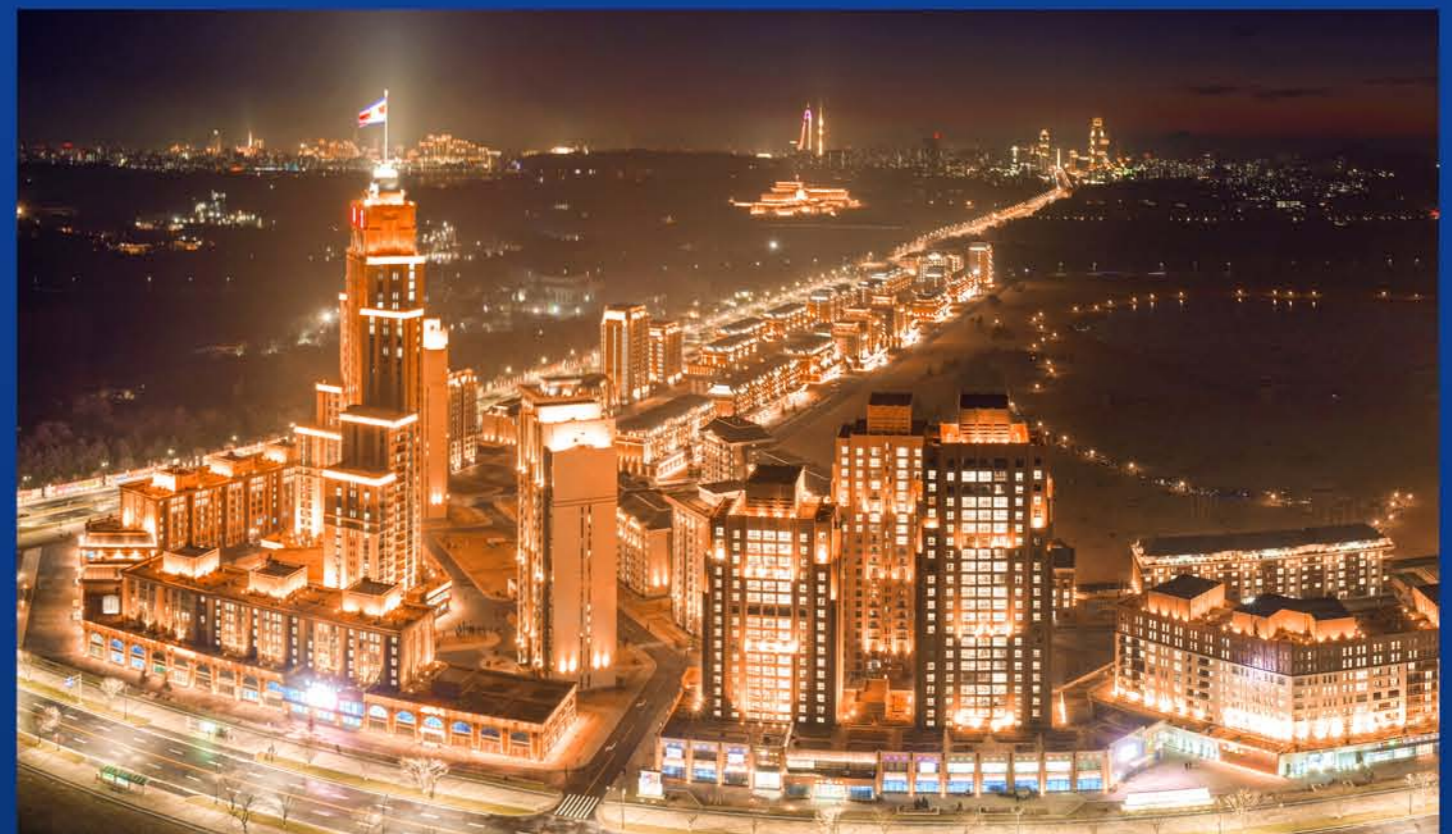


Saeppeyol Street is an architectural group that embodies the sincerity of all the people across the country to hand over to the posterity the feats, shining like the stars, performed by the heroes who, in the overseas military operations, even sacrificed their one and only lives without hesitation for the eternal honour and prosperity of their motherland, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un proposed building this new street for the bereaved families of the martyrs and named it Saeppeyol. Then he gave energetic guidance to the whole process of the construction so that every aspect of the buildings could reflect the warm sincerity the Party was bestowing on the bereaved families.







Modernization of Military Hardware

The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un wisely led the work of attaining the strategic goals for national defence development set forth by the Eighth Congress of the WPK.

With far-sighted wisdom, iron-willed faith and outstanding strategy, he ensured that the policy on the nuclear forces was enacted as a state law and then the policy of strengthening the nations' nuclear forces was enshrined in the Constitution, thus providing legal foundations for an eternal guarantee of the security of the state and the people. He also gave energetic guidance to the drills of nuke operation units under the simulated conditions of an actual war, which were conducted for further strengthening in quality and scale the nuclear deterrent and demonstrating the trustworthiness, superiority and power of the nuclear forces, so as to develop the Republic's strategic forces into an entity of super-powerful and absolute strength and a treasured sword for defending justice and peace.



Enacting the policy on the nuclear forces as a state law to change the position of the DPRK

Seventh Session of the 14th Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea held in September 2022



조선민주주의인민공화국 최고인민회의 법령 조선민주주의인민공화국 핵무력정책에 대하여

조선민주주의인민공화국은 책임적인 핵무기 보유국으로서 핵전쟁을 비롯한 온갖 형태의 전쟁을 반대하며 국제적정의가 실현된 평화로운 세계 건설을 지향한다.

조선민주주의인민공화국의 핵무력은 국가의 주권과 영토안정, 근본이익을 수호하고 조선반도와 동북아시아지역에서 전쟁을 방지하며 세계의 전략적안정을 보장하는 위력한 수단이다.

조선민주주의인민공화국의 핵태세는 현존하고 진화되는 미래의 모든 핵위협들에 능동적으로 대처할 수 있는 믿음직하고 효과적이며 신속한 핵억제력 및 방위력이며 책임적인 핵무력정책, 신속성과 목적지향성 있는 핵무기사용전략에 의하여 담보된다.

조선민주주의인민공화국이 자기의 핵무력정책을 공개하고 핵무기사용을 법적으로 규제하는 것은 핵무기보유국들사이의 오관과 핵무기의 방출을 막음으로써 핵전쟁위험을 최대한 줄이는데 목적을 두고있다.

조선민주주의인민공화국 최고인민회의는 국가방위력의 중추인 핵무력이 자기의 중대한 사명을 책임적으로 수행하도록 하기 위하여 다음과 같이 결정한다.

- 1. 핵무력의 사명**
조선민주주의인민공화국 핵무력은 외부의 군사적위협과 침략, 공격으로부터 국가주권과 영토안정, 인민의 생명안전을 수호하는 국가방위의 기본력량이다.
1) 조선민주주의인민공화국 핵무력은 적대세력으로부터 조선민주주의인민공화국과의 군사적대결이 파멸을 초래한다는 것을 명백히 인식하고 침략과 공격기도를 포기하게 함으로써 전쟁을 억제하는것을 기본사명으로 한다.
2) 조선민주주의인민공화국 핵무력은 전쟁억제가 실패하는 경우 적대세력의 침략과 공격을 격퇴하고 전쟁의 결정적승리를 달성하기 위한 작전적사명을 수행한다.
- 2. 핵무력의 구성**
조선민주주의인민공화국 핵무력은 각종 핵탄과 운반수단, 지휘 및 조종체계, 그의 운용과 경비를 위한 모든 인원과 장비, 시설로 구성된다.
- 3. 핵무력에 대한 지휘통제**
1) 조선민주주의인민공화국 핵무력은 조선민주주의인민공화국 국무위원장의 유일적지휘에 복종한다.
2) 조선민주주의인민공화국 국무위원장은 핵무기와 관련한 모든 결정권을 가진다.
조선민주주의인민공화국 국무위원장이 임명하는 성원들로 구성된 국가핵무력지휘기구는 핵무기와 관련한 결정으로부터 집행에 이르는 전 과정에서 조선민주주의인민공화국 국무위원장을 보장한다.
3) 국가핵무력에 대한 지휘통제체계가 적대세력의 공격으로 위협에 처하는 경우 사전에 결정된 작전방안에 따라 도발침략과 지휘부를 비롯한 적대세력을 교멸시키기 위한 핵타격이 자동적으로 즉시에 단행된다.
- 4. 핵무기사용결정의 집행**
조선민주주의인민공화국 핵무력은 핵무기사용명령을 즉시 집행한다.
- 5. 핵무기의 사용원칙**
1) 조선민주주의인민공화국은 국가와 인민의 안전을 엄중히 위협하는 외부의 침략과 공격에 대하여 최후의 수단으로 핵무기를 사용하는것을 기본원칙으로 한다.
2) 조선민주주의인민공화국은 비핵국가들이 다른 핵무기보유국과 연합하여 조선민주주의인민공화국을 반대하는 침략이나 공격행위에 가담하지 않는한 이 나라들을 상대로 핵무기로 위협하거나 핵무기를 사용하지 않는다.
3) 조선민주주의인민공화국은 핵무기와 관련한 안전을 엄중히 위협하는 외부의 침략과 공격에 대하여 최후의 수단으로 핵무기를 사용하는것을 기본원칙으로 한다.
- 6. 핵무기의 사용조건**
조선민주주의인민공화국은 다음의 경우 핵무기를 사용할수 있다.
1) 조선민주주의인민공화국에 대한 핵무기 또는 기타 대량살상무기공격이 감행되었거나 침략하였다고 판단되는 경우
2) 국가지도부와 국가핵무력지휘기구에 대한 적대세력의 핵 및 비핵공격이 감행되었거나 침략하였다고 판단되는 경우
3) 국가의 중요전략적대상물에 대한 지명적인 군사적공격이 감행되었거나 침략하였다고 판단되는 경우
4) 유사시 전쟁의 확대와 장기화를 막고 전쟁의 주도권을 장악하기 위한 작전상필요가 불가피하게 제기되는 경우
5) 기타 국가의 존립과 인민의 생명안전에 피국적

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Enshrining the policy of strengthening the nation's nuclear forces in the Socialist Constitution of the DPRK

The Ninth Session of the 14th Supreme People's
Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic
of Korea held in September 2023



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the nuclear weaponization programme in March 2023



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at the nuclear weapons institute and the production base of weapons-grade nuclear materials in September 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at the nuclear-material production base and the nuclear weapons institute in January 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at major munitions factories in August 2023



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at a major TEL factory in January 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at major munitions factories in January 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at major defence-industry enterprises in May 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance
at a major tank factory in May 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at major munitions enterprises under the Second Economy Commission in May 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance at major munitions industry enterprises in December 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits
a major munitions factory in January 2026 to learn about
the production of tactical guided weapons



Ceremony of presenting the 600mm super-large multiple
rocket launchers to the Sixth Plenary Meeting of the Eighth
Central Committee of the WPK held in December 2022

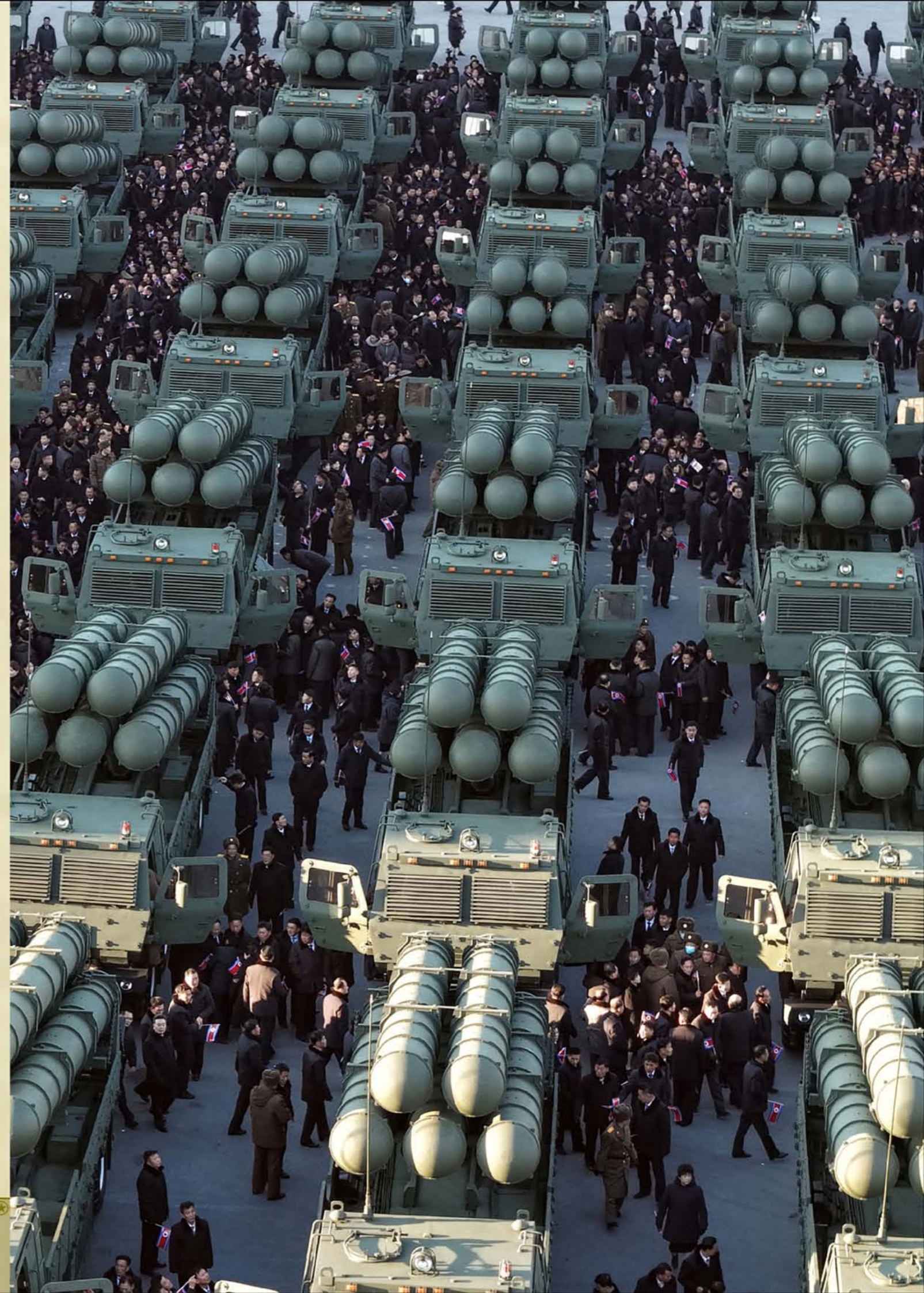


The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attends the ceremony
of transferring and receiving new-type tactical ballistic missile
system and delivers a historic speech in August 2024



Ceremony of presenting 600mm-calibre multiple rocket launchers to the Ninth Congress of the WPK by the workers in the munitions industry sector held in February 2026





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees the test-fire of hypersonic missile in January 2022



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides
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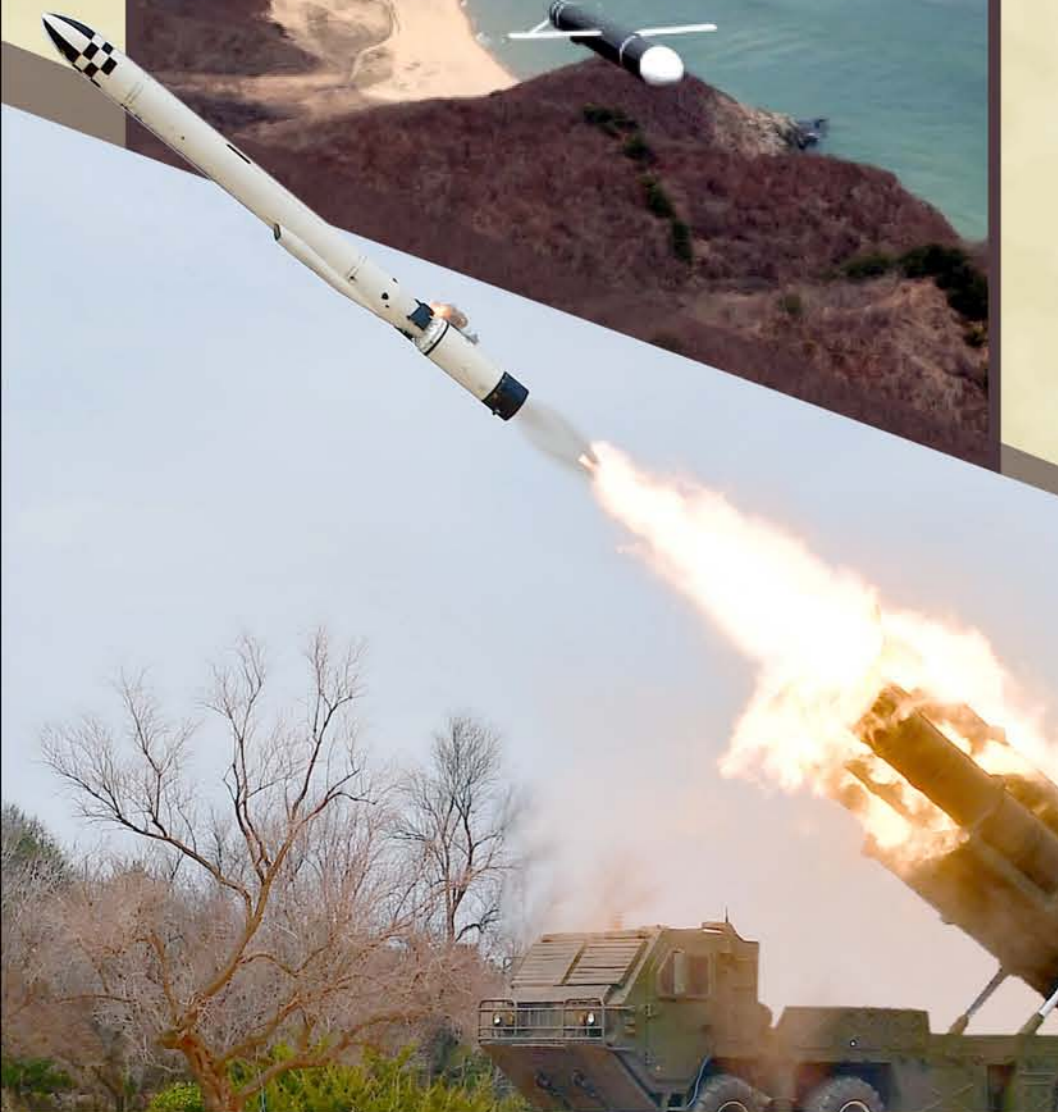
The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees the test-fire of a new-type tactical guided weapon in April 2022



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site guidance over the test-launch of a new-type ICBM by the strategic forces of the DPRK in November 2022



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the test of an important
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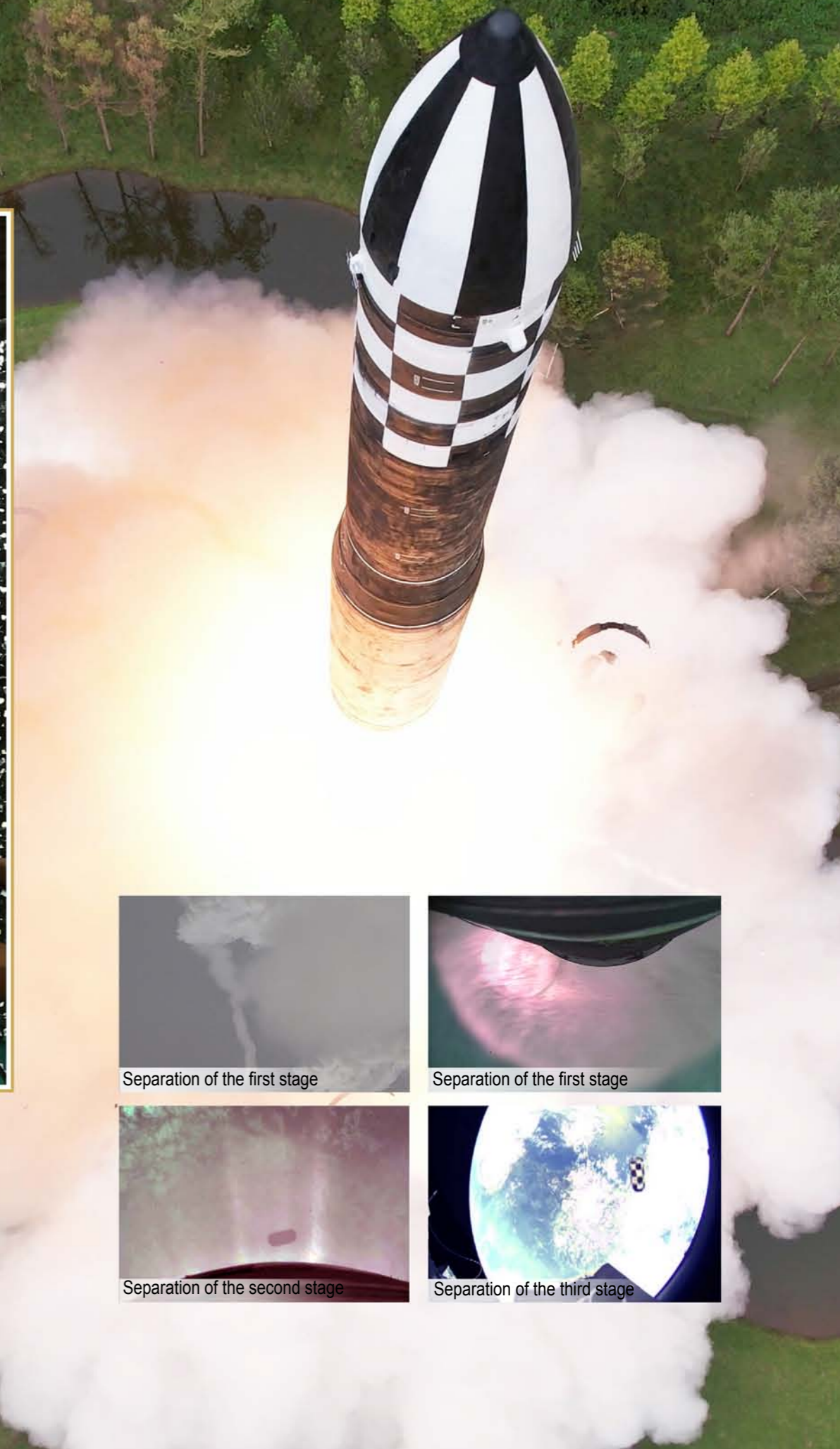




The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un gives on-site
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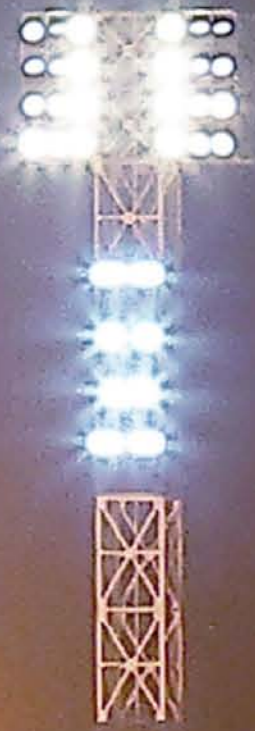
The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un
attends the ceremony of launching the
first tactical nuclear attack submarine
Hero Kim Kun Ok in September 2023





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees on the spot the launch of a reconnaissance satellite in November 2023





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits in November 2023 the Pyongyang General Control Centre of the National Aerospace Technology Administration and learns about the preparation for operating the reconnaissance satellite



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees on the spot the launch drill of the ICBM *Hwasongpho-18* in December 2023





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the test-fire of submarine-launched strategic cruise missile in January 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the evaluation test-fire of surface-to-sea missile *Padasuri-6* in February 2024





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the static firing test of the solid-fuelled engine for a new-type intermediate-range hypersonic missile in March 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides on the spot
the first test-fire of *Hwasongpho-16 Na*, a new-type
intermediate-range hypersonic missile, in April 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un learns about the technically updated version of the 240mm multiple rocket launcher system and oversees the test-fire of controllable shells for multiple rocket launcher in May 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un observes
the test-fire of tactical ballistic missile, which employed
a new technology, in May 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees in August 2024 the evaluation test-fire of the 240mm multiple rocket launcher system under production at defence industrial enterprises



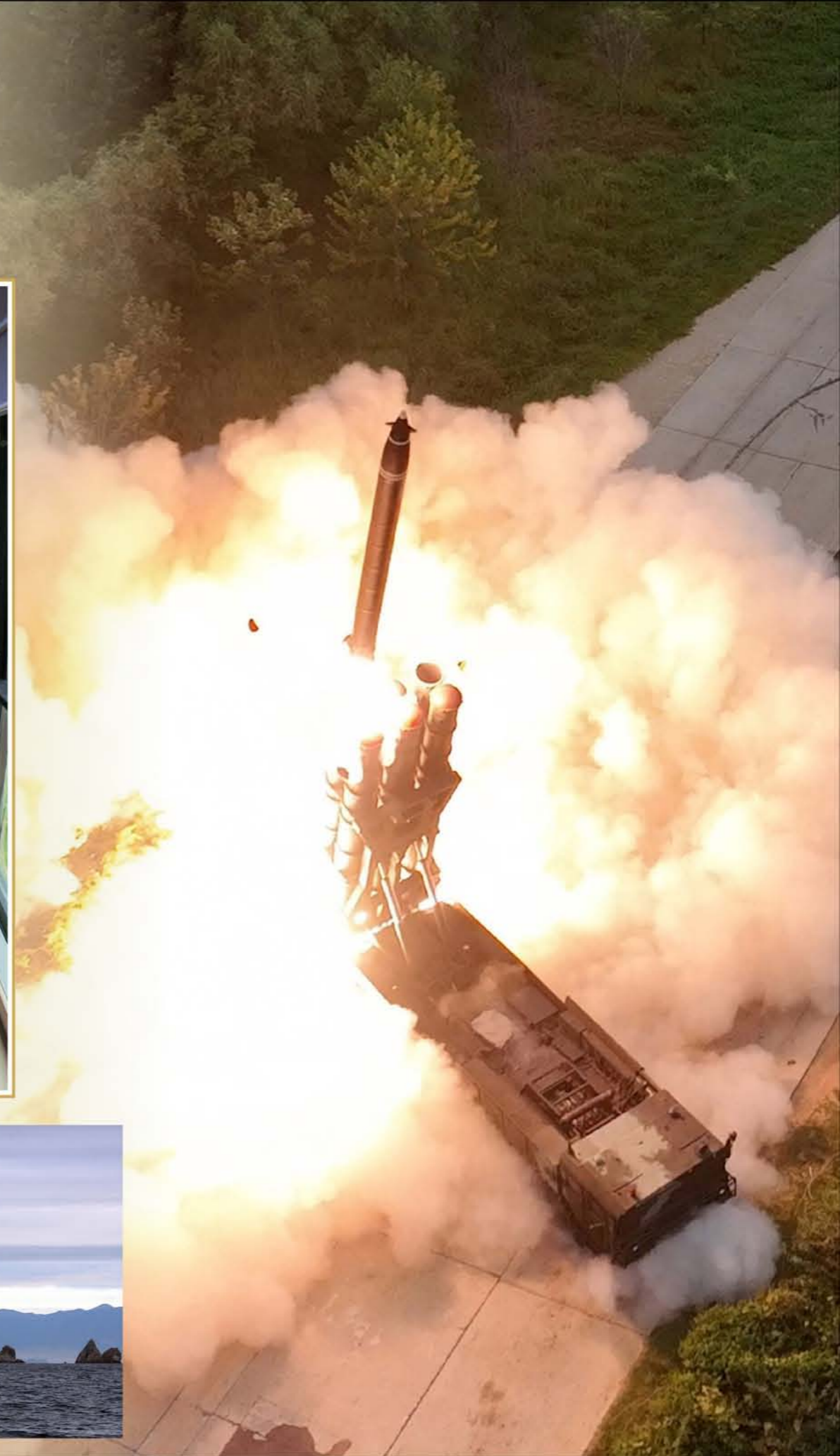
The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees a performance test of drones organized by the Drone Institute under the Academy of Defence Sciences in August 2024



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides on the spot in November 2024 the performance test of suicide attack drones of various types produced by the Unmanned Aeronautical Technology Complex



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees
the test-fire for verifying the performance of a new-type
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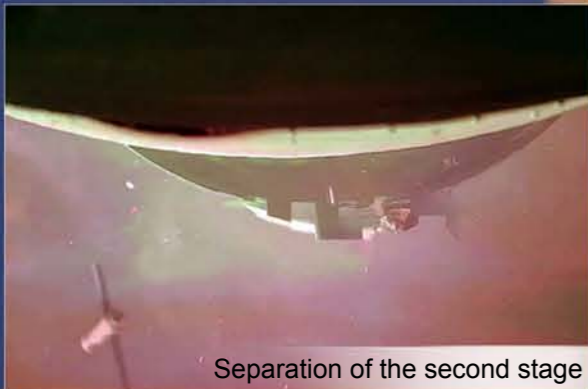


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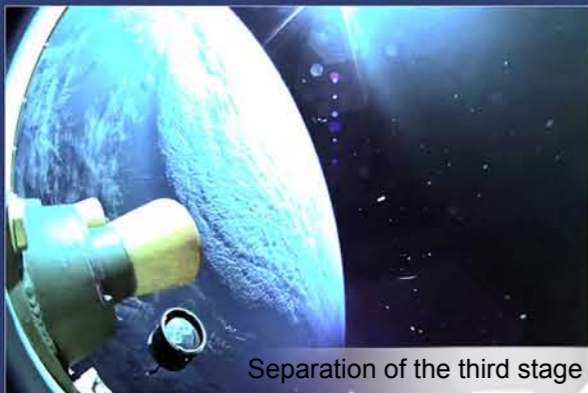




Separation of the first stage



Separation of the second stage



Separation of the third stage



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees online the test-fire of a new-type intermediate-range hypersonic ballistic missile in January 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees the test-fire of an important weapon system in January 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the defence
science research work of the Unmanned Aeronautical Technology Complex
and the detective electronic warfare research group in March 2025





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attends
the ceremony of launching the destroyer
Choe Hyon of the KPA Navy in April 2025





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees the combat application test of weapon systems of the multi-mission destroyer *Choe Hyon* in April 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un visits the destroyer *Choe Hyon* in August 2025 and acquaints himself with the course of the integrated operation tests of the weapon systems of the destroyer and the training and life of the sailors of the destroyer



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attends the ceremony of launching the destroyer *Kang Kon* of the KPA Navy in June 2025



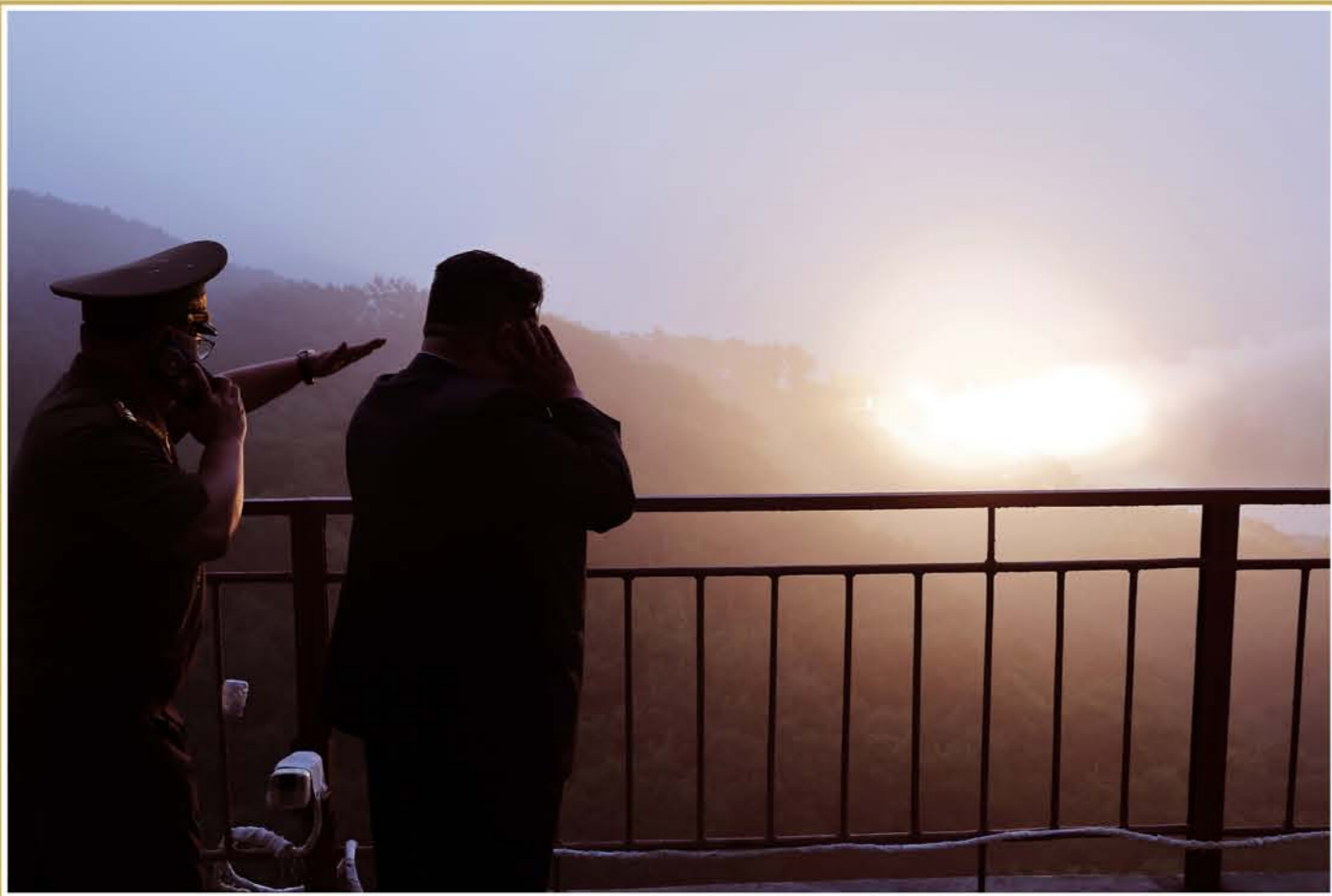


The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un guides the work of the Unmanned Aeronautical Technology Complex in September 2025





The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees the static firing test of a carbon fibre solid-fuelled motor in September 2025



The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees the test-fire of new-type anti-aircraft missiles in December 2025

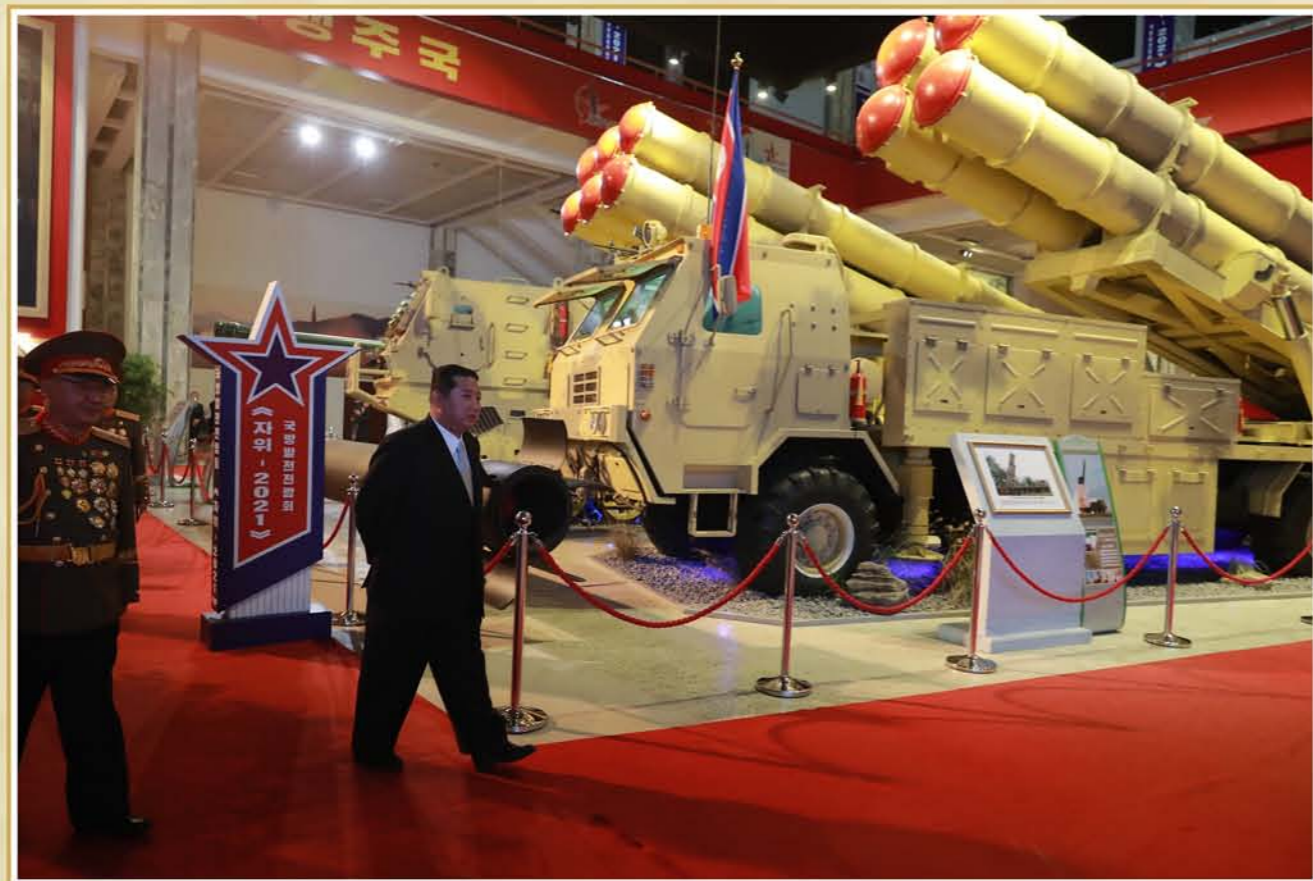


The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un oversees in January 2026
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The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un attends the opening ceremony of the defence development exhibition *Self-Defence-2021* and makes a commemorative speech in October 2021

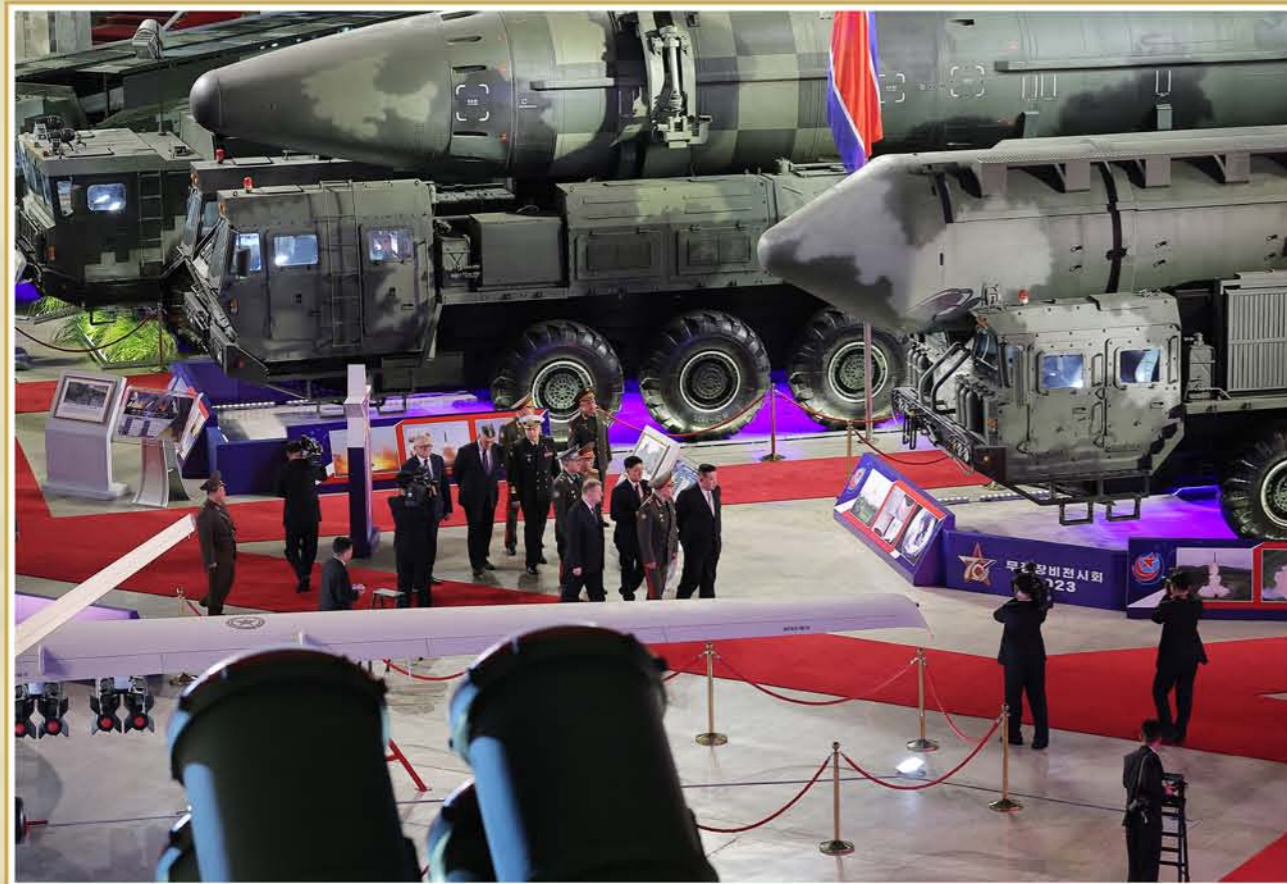
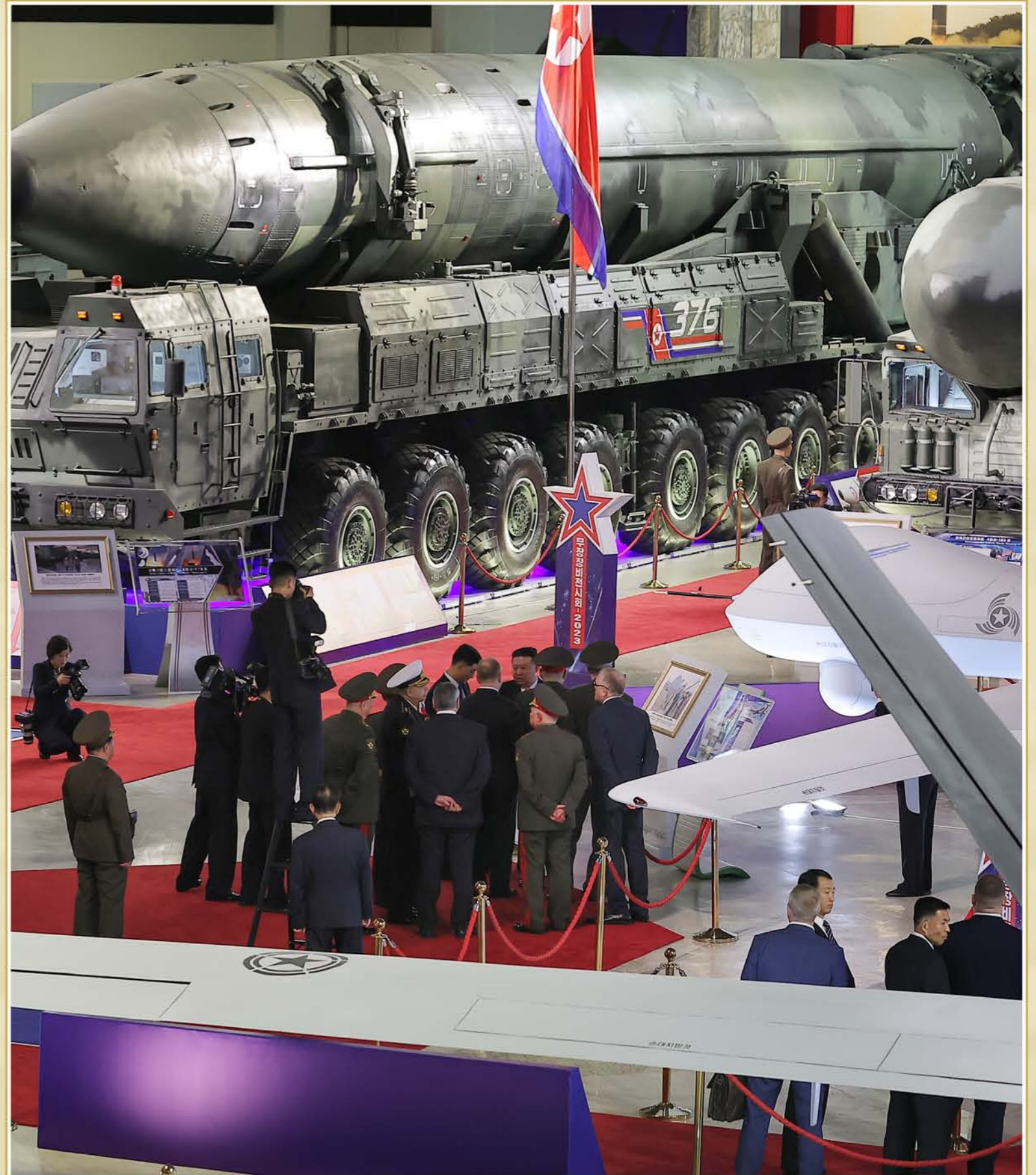






The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un looks round in July 2023
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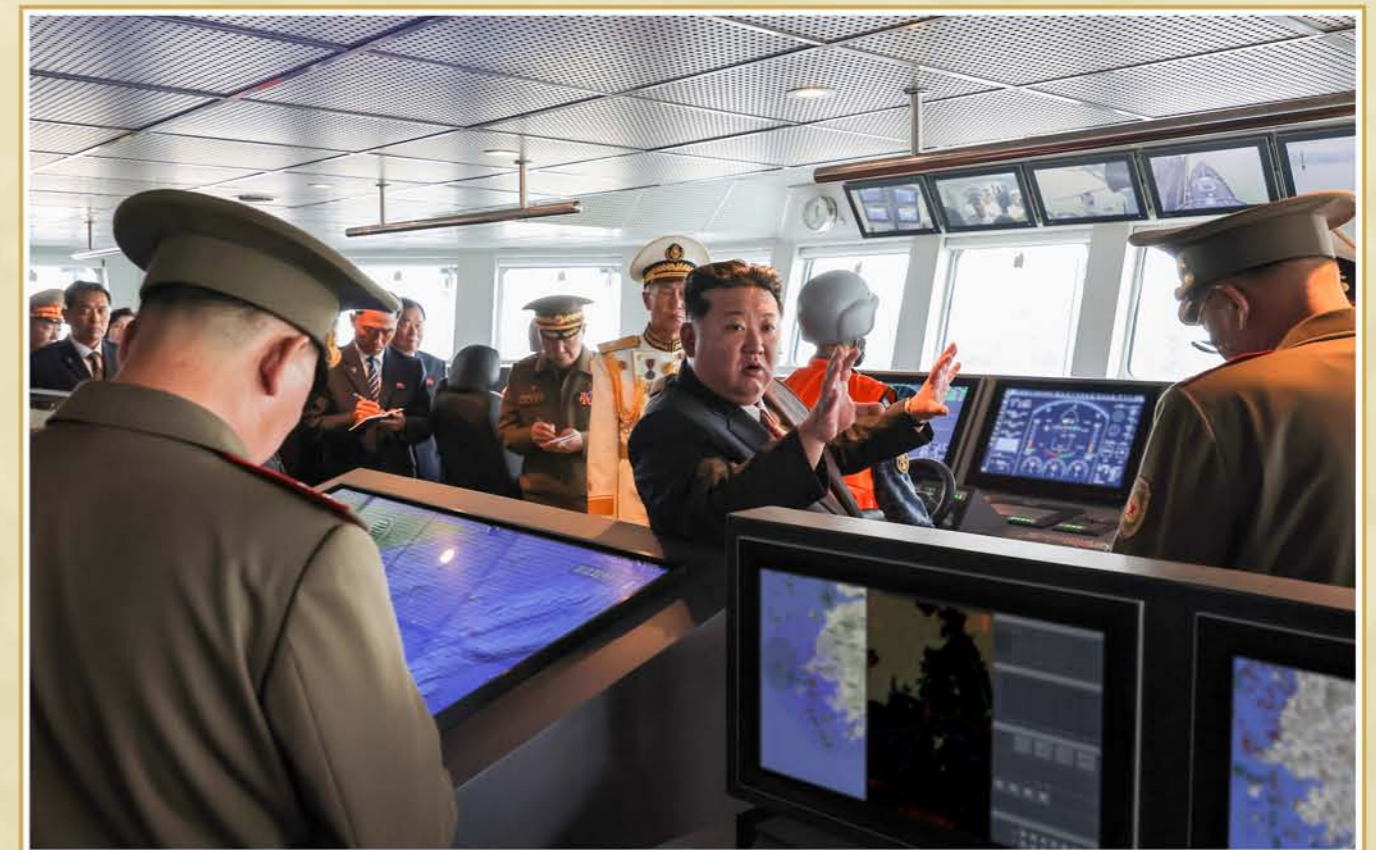
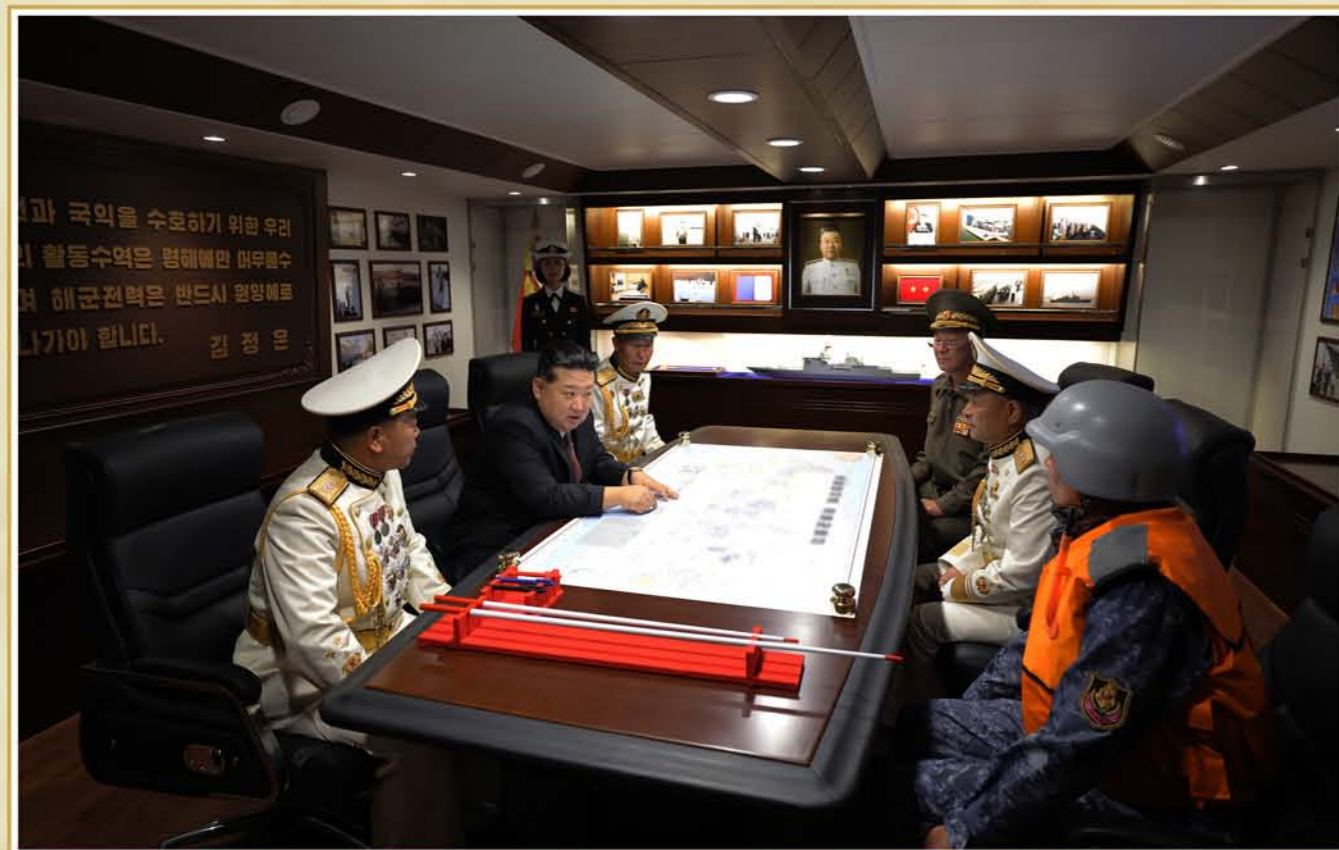
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The respected Comrade Kim Jong Un, together with the participants in the opening ceremony of the military hardware exhibition *Defence Development-2025*, visits the destroyer *Choe Hyon* according to the second-day schedule of the visit to the exhibition in October 2025







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