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Comrades,

Reliable workers and officials of the Sangwon Cement Complex, who are a source of pride and strength for the country and its most revolutionary force,

With the Ninth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea having reached a successful conclusion and the time having come to launch a new struggle, you were the first to cross my mind. I truly wanted, throughout the Congress, while recollecting the past five-year struggle, to offer my special thanks to you. Having longed to see you, I am here at your enterprise on the first of my visits since the end of the Congress.

Over the past five years, a period of truly great difficulties, you have never wavered in your faithful support for our Party's resolute choices and have made a tangible contribution to implementing them. Your good deeds deserve nationwide publicity and everybody's tribute.

Great achievements are to be found in every chapter of the chronicles of the past five years, when our socialist construction was marked by an unprecedented

upsurge and transformation. They definitely include the unbounded devotion and sincere efforts of you, the workers of Sangwon. The whole country should be fully aware of this.

At the moment, most people know that Sangwon cement is excellent, yet few know how hard you, the workers of Sangwon, are working.

Comrades,

Seeing you, such enthusiastic and militant workers, here at this moment is enough for me to feel the high spirit of our mighty working class, the main driving force of the revolution.

First of all, I would like to pay tribute to the development history of the Sangwon Cement Complex, which has written wonderful records of loyalty and patriotism since going online, and to extend my warmest greetings to all the workers at the complex.

Comrades,

There are many large key enterprises in our country, but none has such a group of staunch and militant workers as you, my dear Sangwon workers.

A powerful enterprise which carries out, not by mere words or pledges but through practical production results

and increased production, whatever the Party intends or plans, an enterprise which is able to complete anything it resolves to do—this is the honourable appellation which can be applied to the Sangwon Cement Complex throughout the whole of its 40-odd-year history.

During the period of the eighth term of the Party Central Committee in particular, the complex strongly supported with practical cement production the Party's plan for achieving remarkable progress and an overall upsurge in socialist construction. It opened up the greatest golden age of its operation since its inauguration by expanding its production capacity and making ceaseless efforts to increase production.

The fact is, the epochal events that have thrown the whole country into excitement year by year over the past five years, a period of great transformation, have all been associated with this complex.

In 2025, the last year of the five-year plan, the workers of Sangwon, in hearty response to the militant call of the Party, held high the torch of increased production and injected great vigour into every project for socialist construction. In this way, they performed an outstanding service when it came to proudly reviewing

the fighting tasks set by the Party.

Devoted efforts led to amazing achievements in the grand construction projects that brought about a radical change in the capital city and the provinces and to the creation of numerous structures that boost the people's well-being and guide them to a more civilized life in the new era. What comes to my mind as the most memorable of all these invaluable efforts is the uniquely hard work of the workers of Sangwon.

At theatres of creation and construction across the country, the Sangwon Cement Complex stood not in the rear but in the forefront. It played an active vanguard role, going beyond the mission of supporter.

With the Eighth Party Congress as the starting point, the complex increased its cement production to a level much higher than it had ever managed before—something it could not have imagined achieving a decade ago. The complex has since exceeded the peak-year level on an annual basis, helping us move forward step by step with greater confidence and opening up possibilities for successfully completing huge projects. This cannot be called otherwise than a heroic exploit.

Thanks to the active support of the complex's

workers, our Party could adopt policies with a view to achieving an epochal transformation and expand their scope. Along with the miraculous achievements made in the construction sector, it could expect to see the fruits of the revolution ripening year after year.

Comrades,

The spirit, work style and traditions of Sangwon hold the secret to our development.

Supporting the Party and the country with boundless loyalty, aspiring to achieve unlimited and daring innovation, and consistently prioritizing science and technology—this is the key to the complex’s leap forward. It is also a formula for increasing production by all our workers and for the development in our times.

Even when everyone else thought they had reached the ultimate limit that could not be surpassed, the workers at the complex achieved a new breakthrough and increased production, thanks to their extraordinary mental power and scientific application.

Being so loyal and sincere, upon being given a production task or the task of increasing production, they understood that the additional figures were an indication of the Party’s decision to plan and prepare for

another massive transformation; being so indomitable and creative, they pledged to implement every task, however challenging, unconditionally and carry it out without fail as the country and the revolution required them to do. Such are the workers of the Sangwon Cement Complex, so the air in Sangwon is refreshing, and no other enterprise can surpass it in terms of militant efficiency and capability.

In order to successfully carry out any tasks entrusted to them by the Party, all the complex's workers and officials set themselves increasingly higher ideological, spiritual, technical and practical standards, and work hard to meet them. This is a manifestation of their purest and most intense loyalty to the Party and the state.

Witnessing the reality in which the workers here have committed themselves to increasing production and their soaring spirit is spreading across the country and raising the fierce flames of a series of new innovations, I am deeply moved and filled with pride in having such truly outstanding workers.

As honourable paragons and precious models of our times, they have taken on the role of the country's eldest sons in defending the Party and the revolution and

advancing our cause; their stout spirit and redoubled efforts are a constant source of strength for our Party.

On behalf of the Party Central Committee, I extend warm thanks once again to all the workers, technicians and officials at the Sangwon Cement Complex for the work they have done to achieve a continued upsurge and innovations so as to exalt the great honour of our country, and for demonstrating the might of the Korean working class and the mettle of our advancing socialism.

Comrades,

After conducting a major review of our arduous struggle, we have set higher ideals and ambitions for further development and made bigger strides towards starting our new future journey. This journey demands that our working class, the major force of socialist construction, perform a heavier, more important mission.

We have a mountain of bigger and tougher tasks to perform for the sake of the prosperity and development of our country, of the wellbeing of our people and of the bright future of our younger generations. The Sangwon Cement Complex's pioneering position and role in carrying out these tasks can be called absolute.

This is a place that represents the spirit of the indomitable Korean people and embodies the potential of our country, which is transforming and developing ceaselessly without recognizing any impossibility. Today, having come here, I am fully convinced that a new stage of our revolution will be successfully achieved, and am confident again that the decisive guarantee for it—a powerful driving force for our struggle—has been firmly secured.

The soaring patriotic enthusiasm and increased production mettle which the Sangwon workers are displaying in making continuous innovations and advances constitute absolute support for our Party's ideology and cause, and will be a torch inspiring the whole country to a heroic struggle.

The Party and the government value the Sangwon Cement Complex's production results as one of the most important strategic indexes of the state's development. The more actively this complex supports them and the greater progress it makes, the more vitality our struggle will gain.

Workers and officials of the Sangwon Cement Complex,

I believe you will continue to glorify the honourable history and traditions of Sangwon, which has been a constant source of enormous strength and reliance for our Party.

Let us all display to the full the Korean people's dauntless spirit and wisdom in the renewed struggle to add eternal glory to our beloved country and translate the people's long-cherished desires into reality.

I am firmly of the belief that you, the workers of Sangwon, will share a single purpose with me, as you have always done, for the prosperity and development of the country.

Thanks to your efforts and devotion, this country will surely advance, achieving dynamic transformations day after day, just as it has always done.

I am completely certain of this.

I would like to extend warm greetings to all of you, the workers of Sangwon, and I ask you once again to play your due role, which no one else can perform, and work hard for the prosperity and development of the country and for the wellbeing of the people.

I hope that, in its sacred struggle, victory and glory are always in store for this admirable enterprise which

embodies every attribute of our heroic working class.

Comrades,

Let us make an all-out effort once again for the good of our great country, and advance with vigour.

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