

Independence Is Foundation of Genuine Sovereignty

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30 years have elapsed since the Soviet Union collapsed tragically. Former republics of the socialist powerful country will officially commemorate the 30th anniversary of their independence. However, none of the newly independent states did really win their genuine sovereignty. Let me explain the reason.

Comrade Kim Il Sung whom the world authorized as a gifted thinker and theoretician authored the Juche idea and turned Korea, that had been backward and destroyed owing to wars, into an advanced society, the one and only genuine sovereign state in the world.

Comrade Kim Il Sung said.

“To try to do so without building an independent national economy is like trying to build a castle on sand and could be, in the final analysis, little more than a daydream.”

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the sun of mankind, established and adhered to the following two important principles for the building of an independent national economy. First is to build economy of a country by its own efforts as the country cannot be free from debt if it has not its own economic foundation but depends on foreign aids. Second is to have their own material and technical foundations capable of conquering pressures and blockades in any situations because the Korean people decided to live independently and therefore, pressure and blockade by outside forces who pursue their aim of domination is inevitable.

No one thought that the country, which had been destroyed owing to the imperialist predatory colonial rule and criminal war, not only rose in a short span of time but encouraged and gave impetus to the development of all nations in the world desirous of living a true and independent life.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung laid solid ideological foundations with his outstanding wisdom and foresightedness and, on its basis, built a peculiar self-supporting economy and thus the DPRK developed into a genuine sovereign and independent state, a self-supporting country.

Some hostile states affirmed that the young Republic would develop only agriculture and mining industry so as to satisfy the people's minimum needs. But socialist Korea did not introduce foreign investment nor follow advices given over the ocean but developed heavy and light industries and agriculture simultaneously with defence industry. Thanks to this only correct path of development, the DPRK completely rehabilitated the economy ruined by the war and completed the socialist industrialization in a short period of 14 years.

Another important one should be mentioned here. The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung refused joining the Council for Mutual Economic Assistance and other capitalist organizations. He said that it was not wrong for the DPRK to be self-reliant and self-developing. He said that it would build an independent national economy by its own efforts. He was absolutely right.

Like this, the DPRK proved before the world that independence must be adhered to in foreign policy, economy and all other fields in order to win genuine sovereignty, and helped mankind choose the path of development. Experiences of socialist Korea are valuable one for all

the world people aspiring after genuine sovereignty and democracy.

As Comrade Kim Il Sung instructed, the independent world is a world in which all sorts of domination and subordination have been obliterated and sovereignty of all countries and peoples has been ensured.

We all know that some countries realize profoundness of Comrade Kim Il Sung's theories and practical activities and are now making efforts to apply them in their economic construction.

Such countries as the US, who claims itself to be a superpower and speaks loudly as if its economic indices are the highest in the world, cannot be called as the genuine sovereign states. It is because that their economy and financial system are bound by the world structure. The countries with weaker economic strength including the former republics of the Soviet Union are not exceptional. Many countries began to recognize that they were trapped by others and became their hostages. Even Russia that has the most powerful economic strength among the former republics of the Soviet Union came to know, though belated, that it would also be reduced to a victim of foreign sanctions and unfriendly measures if it fails to develop industry and technology but lays stress only on selling its natural resources. What is clear is that stronger countries make every possible effort not to make their counterparts achieve independent development not only in their foreign policy but in the economy. Even the economic allies, which should ostensibly cooperate with one another, compete with one another in practice under the condition of market economy in which the weak fall a prey to the strong, and attempt to deal a blow to their economic partners if it is needed. In case those countries, who receive aids from different multi-national organizations such as IMF, World Bank and

WTO, intend to take independent measures, they will suffer from financial sanctions and their people will be reduced to financial prisoners to redeem the forced loans through generations.

From this point of view, we can say that the DPRK holds a favorable position. It is because that the state, which is irrespective of others' will or view of value but powerful in all aspects, was built by gifted intelligence of Comrade Kim Il Sung. Furthermore, successes made by the DPRK people were consolidated and the powerful defence capacity was built up thanks to the Songun politics of Comrade Kim Jong Il, so that no hostile country can deal an economic or military blow to the DPRK.

The DPRK's victorious history proves that it is impossible to achieve economic independence without powerful ideological foundations. We can know it through the tragedy of the Soviet Union that collapsed because its ideological foundations were lost and its revolutionary development was disturbed even though it had a self-supporting economy.

30 years have passed since then, and the former republics of the Soviet Union are now saying this or that about their sovereignty. However, as a matter of fact, they are not the sovereign countries.

People and heads of some countries begin to realize their actual conditions. Therefore, they should approve that the road of the Juche-oriented development is just and put their economy on an independent basis. Of course, it is very difficult to do so because they have lost much time. To begin with, it is necessary for all people to make profound study of the immortal works of Comrades Kim Il Sung, Kim Jong Il and Kim Jong Un once again and learn after experiences of the DPRK.

Genuine sovereignty can be achieved only when one relies on the revolutionary Juche idea that combines all aspects of social development inseparably.

Only when one relies on the Juche idea and perceives its profoundness and practical knowledge, can the ultimate goal of all progressives be attained. That is why, it is important to make deep study of profound contents of the Juche idea advanced by Comrade Kim Il Sung before the world people and follow the examples of the great leader Comrade Kim Jong Il and Comrade Kim Jong Un, the lodestar of mankind so as to adhere to the revolutionary character of the Juche idea in all undertakings. The aspiration of Comrades Kim Jong Il and Kim Jong Un clearly shows that the genuine sovereign state Comrade Kim Il Sung planned can achieve big successes.