KCNA Commentary Rejects Pre-conditions for Resuming Six-Party Talks

Pyongyang, October 4 (KCNA) -- The DPRK has so far made sincere efforts for resuming the six-party talks.

The six-party talks are not for the DPRK only. So, its efforts alone are not enough to resume them.

If pre-conditions are necessary for the resumption of the talks, it is essential to set pre-conditions on the basis of equality for all and all parties should move even if confidence building is necessary for the resumption of the talks.

Doing so is in full line with the principle of simultaneous action which they committed themselves to abide by in the September 19 Statement.

The DPRK calls for resuming the talks without pre-conditions.

But the U.S. is creating wrong impression that there are things which the DPRK has to do first for the resumption of the talks.

U.S. President Obama in his speech at the 66th session of the UN General Assembly on Sept. 21 claimed the DPRK has not taken concrete steps for dismantling its nukes.

A spokesman for the U.S. State Department, the U.S. ambassador to south Korea and other officials of the U.S. vied with each other bragging the DPRK's "sincerity" is not enough and it should show its will for denuclearization not in words but in action.

The U.S. unilateral insistence on pre-conditions makes it hard to find its sincerity for the talks.

This attitude makes people believe that the dialogue touted by the U.S. is not a sincere one but a stop-gap measure to tide over the crisis caused by its domestic political agenda such as presidential elections as it used to employ in the past.

The U.S. talk about pre-conditions is little short of an artifice to shift the blame for the failure to resume the six-party talks on to the DPRK.

The U.S. is sadly mistaken if it regards the DPRK's efforts for the resumption of the talks as "a drawback."

If efforts to resume the talks prove futile as now and the chance for it is missed in the end, all facts will prove who is to blame for it.