Spokesman of DPRK Foreign Ministry Refutes Absurd Story about Dialogue

Pyongyang, April 12 (KCNA) -- A spokesman for the Foreign Ministry of the DPRK gave the following answer to the question raised by KCNA Tuesday over the absurd story about dialogue being floated around the DPRK.

A touch-and-go situation is now prevailing on the Korean peninsula due to the moves of the U.S. for a nuclear war. Nevertheless, some countries are talking about the six-party talks, simultaneous pushing forward of denuclearization and the conclusion of a peace treaty and the like.

Even a mere child knows well that dialogue is impossible under the present tense situation on the peninsula.

There is only the danger of nuclear clash on the Korean peninsula due to the unprecedented U.S.-south Korea joint military drills for aggression and the entirely just measures taken by the Korean People's Army to cope with them.

Dialogue should be based on mutual respect and equality among its parties. The DPRK doesn't oppose dialogue but categorically rejects any unequal dialogue.

It is the DPRK's consistent and principled stand not to have a dialogue under unilateral pressure.

Dialogue and military threat, dialogue and sanctions can never go together. Such logic that the purpose of imposing sanctions is to have a dialogue can never work on the DPRK.

Due to the ever-escalating hostile acts of the U.S., the nuclear issue of the DPRK has long been away from its negotiating table.

The DPRK's proposal that it would put a moratorium on its nuclear test in return for the U.S. halt to the joint war drills would no longer be valid as the latter turned it down.

As already clarified by the DPRK, it will steadily and dynamically push ahead with its line of simultaneously pushing forward the two fronts until the world is denuclearized.

The urgent issue to be settled on the Korean peninsula is to put a definite end to the U.S. hostile policy toward the DPRK, the root cause of all problems.

Whether the issue would be solved through dialogue and negotiations or through other methods entirely depends on the attitude of the U.S.