## Statement of Kim Yo Jong, Vice Department Director of WPK Central Committee

Pyongyang, May 2 (KCNA) -- Kim Yo Jong, vice department director of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea (WPK), issued the following statement Sunday:

"Defectors from the north" in south Korea recently scattered leaflets against the DPRK again, an intolerable provocation against it.

We have already seriously warned the south Korean authorities of consequences their wrong act of giving silent approval to the human wastes' wild moves will bring to the north-south relations.

However, the south Korean authorities again did not stop the reckless acts of the "defectors from the north", winking at them.

Displeasure can not be hidden over such sordid acts.

We regard the maneuvers committed by the human wastes in the south as a serious provocation against our state and will look into corresponding action.

Whatever decision we make and whatever actions we take, the responsibility for the consequences thereof will entirely rest with the south Korean authorities who stopped short of holding proper control of the dirty human scum.

We can no longer remain an onlooker.

## Director of US Affairs Department of DPRK FM issues press statement

Kwon Jong Gun, Director of the US Affairs Department of the DPRK Ministry of Foreign Affairs, issued a press statement on the 2nd.

The statement said.

Speaking at the Congress for the first time after his inauguration, the US chief executive made a mistake again.

It is what we heard frequently from Americans and as expected that he branded us as a "serious threat" to world security and talked about diplomacy and tough containment. But, we cannot overlook the fact that he clarified his stand on the DPRK in such a way in his first policy speech.

His remarks clearly represent his will to invariably pursue the hostile policy towards the DPRK adopted for more than half a century.

The US experts themselves comment that this one sentence of his speech shows the orientation and focus of the examination of its DPRK policy.

It is a preposterous sophistry and infringement upon our right to self-defense that the United States which threatened us with desperate hostile policy and constant nuclear blackmail brands our self-defensive nuclear deterrent as a "threat."

The "diplomacy" the US means is no more than a veil to conceal its hostile acts and "containment" means to threaten us with nukes.

The nuclear war exercise staged by the new US regime aiming at the DPRK clearly showed in practice who threatens whom on the Korean peninsula and definitely proved once again that we must foster strong deterrent to resist the United States.

If the United States attempts to handle the DPRK-US relations still following the untimely and worn-out policy from a viewpoint and stand of the Cold War era, it will face more serious crisis in the near future.

Surely, the US chief executive made a big mistake for the times.

Now that the main purport of the new DPRK policy of the United States has been clearly revealed, we have no alternative but to take corresponding measures and as the time passes by the United States will face very serious situation.

## Spokesman for DPRK FM releases press statement

A spokesman for the DPRK Ministry of Foreign Affairs gave a statement to media on the 2nd.

The statement said.

A spokesman for the US Department of State, in a press release issued on April 28th concerning a so-called "event" staged by the human rights organizations against the DPRK, branded the anti-epidemic measures of our state for protecting the lives and security from the pandemic as an "infringement of human rights". Worse still, he made a serious political provocation, defaming the dignity of our supreme leadership.

The DPRK Ministry of Foreign Affairs strongly condemns the US provocation, branding it as an intensive expression of the US hostile policy to tarnish the image of our state and an open infringement upon our national sovereignty.

The alleged "human rights issue" talked about by the United States is a political plot to

undermine our ideology and system.

The United States that has imposed immeasurable misfortunes and sufferings upon the Korean people with its persistent hostile policy unprecedented in history is not qualified to talk about the human rights.

The United States is the barren land of human rights and the worst failure of infectious-disease control where many people die almost every day due to social inequality and racial discrimination and more than 580,000 people died of COVID-19.

Over 40,000 Americans are killed by firing a year and all sorts of crimes committed. It is the "world of civilization" praised by the United States itself.

The United States must be investigated internationally for its gross violation of human rights and take full responsibility for it.

We had already made it clear that whatever insult upon the most sacred dignity of our supreme leadership, more valuable than our lives, will face strong counteraction.

The United States, however, insulted the dignity of our supreme leadership this time. It is a clear signal that it is preparing a showdown with the DPRK and definite answer to our attitude to be taken towards the new US regime.

Human rights are precisely the national rights to us.

Now that the United States openly revealed its attempt to destroy us with "tough containment", denying our ideology and system and abusing the "human rights" as means for interference in internal affairs and political weapon for overthrowing our system, we have no other choice but to take corresponding measures.

We warned the United States time and again that any provocation against us will lead to its disaster.

The United States will surely regret for its reckless act which disregarded our warning.