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Dear fellow countrymen,

Dear brothers and sisters,

Valiant officers, noncommissioned officers and men of our People's Army,

Guerrillas operating in the south,

The US imperialists have launched an invasion against our country and our people.

The US air force is barbarously bombing the towns and villages of our country and massacring our peaceful people. US warships have unlawfully intruded into our territorial waters and are bombarding coastal towns and villages. US army troops, defiling our territory with their bloodstained paws, have opened a front in the areas we have not yet liberated in the southern part of our country and are resorting to every brutality in an effort to check the southward advance of the People's Army.

Why are the US imperialists hurling their troops into our country? Why are these rapacious bloodsuckers invading our sacred territory?

The Korean people have never encroached upon an inch of the territory of the United States of America, nor have they ever infringed upon its sovereignty in the slightest degree. Our people have never committed any hostile act against the American people, nor have they ever harmed the life and property of the peaceful inhabitants of the United States of America. Why then do the US imperialists send their troops into our territory, interfere militarily in the internal affairs of our country, wantonly slaughter our people and soak our beautiful land with blood?

Because the US imperialists, in their wild dream to

dominate the world, aim to turn our country into their permanent colony and our people into slaves. To achieve this, they installed Syngman Rhee, the sworn enemy of the Korean people, as ruler in the southern half of our country and rigged up the south Korean puppet government. They have also stubbornly blocked the peaceful reunification of the country, the ardent desire of the Korean people, by every possible means—intimidation, fraud, terrorism and massacre. They instigated their lackeys, the traitorous Syngman Rhee clique, to unleash a fratricidal war, and immediately launched an open invasion.

The US imperialists deny the legitimate rights of the Korean people to freedom and independence, they do not consider our people human beings. The US robbers think that the Korean people are destined only to be colonial slaves filling the moneybags of the Wall Street warmongers.

The US imperialist aggressors have turned our peaceful towns and villages into military training grounds and are making targets of our boys and girls, women and old folk in their air strafings and bombings. Pyongyang, Nampho, Haeju, Wonsan, Hamhung and many other cities and nearby villages north of the 38th parallel, have already undergone repeated, savage air raids. South of the parallel, the liberated cities—Seoul, Chunchon, Kaesong, Uijongbu, Jhumunjin, Kangnung and others—and numerous villages are constantly being subjected to vicious bombing by the US air force. The US imperialist air bandits strafe village women as they are busy transplanting rice in the paddy fields and shower bombs on innocent children.

The US imperialists are attempting to justify their invasion of our country with what they call the “resolution” of the UN Security Council on the Korean question. But this “resolution”

was “adopted” in violation of the United Nations Charter, without the participation of either the Korean representative or the delegate of the Soviet Union or China.

In spite of their false propaganda, the truth about the US imperialists’ invasion of our country has been fully exposed to all honest-minded people in the world. The fraudulent statement of the US imperialists that US troops are only performing police functions in Korea on behalf of the United Nations can deceive no one.

The United Nations Organization was not established so that the US imperialists might use its flag for bombing our towns and villages and slaughtering our people who aspire to freedom and independence. While showering bombs on the Korean people, the US imperialists claim that what they are doing is for the sake of peace, but there is no one who will take their ravings for the truth.

Such lies and frauds were the infamous stock-in-trade of the Hitler fascists and Japanese imperialists. It is known to the world that Hitler said, “Whenever I speak of peace, I think of war.” The Japanese imperialists tried to cover up their aggressive acts in the Far East with the hypocritical statement that they were for peace in Asia. The “imperial edict” issued by the Japanese Emperor on August 29, 1910, stated that Japan was annexing Korea “in order to preserve lasting peace in the East”, as though Korea had posed a threat to peace in the East.

The US imperialists, who are today making vicious attempts to deprive our country of its independence and turn Korea into a colony, have the effrontery to try to justify their armed intervention in the internal affairs of our country and their barbarous bombing of our peaceful inhabitants with the false statement that all this is intended for peace, in the same manner as the Hitler fascists and Japanese imperialists.

But no amount of falsehood and deception can cover up or justify the bestial atrocities the US aggressors are perpetrating in Korea in gross violation of all the norms of international law and the United Nations Charter.

However massive an armed force they may mobilize in their desperate invasion of our country, the US imperialists will never be able to break the indomitable fighting spirit and patriotic stamina of our people who have risen as one for the reunification and independence of their country. The Korean people, united rock-firm around the Workers' Party of Korea, will defy death in fighting against US imperialist aggression and will defend the freedom and honour of their country to the end.

Young and inexperienced in battle as it is, our People's Army has already achieved great combat results in only a few days because of its valour and patriotic devotion.

The People's Army units that liberated our capital city of Seoul have crossed the Han River, in the teeth of savage bombing by the US air force, and broken through the enemy positions on the southern bank. Pursuing the stampeding enemy troops, they have completely liberated our country's industrial areas, including the towns of Yongdungpho, Pupyong and Inchon, and their environs. The brave soldiers of our People's Army have now liberated Suwon, which the enemy called his second base, and are continuing their southward advance.

The People's Army units fighting in the Chunchon and Hongchon areas have liberated many towns, including Wonju, Hoengsong, Ryoju and Jechon, and nearby villages and, in their continued advance southward, have freed Chungju.

Our young air force is putting the enemy forces in disarray and valiantly attacking the US planes. In fierce air battles,

Korea's gallant war birds have downed or damaged scores of enemy fighters and bombers, including *B-29s*, the so-called flying fortresses, thus successfully covering our ground forces' advance.

The tankmen, the pride of our army, have broken through the enemy's defence positions and given him no breathing space by making decisive attacks, and sent him fleeing in disorder. These tank units were the first to storm into our country's capital, Seoul, in pursuit of the enemy, and have now been awarded the title of honour: "Seoul Tank Division".

Our infantrymen and artillerymen are advancing without pause, dealing heavy blows at enemy troops and combat equipment, demonstrating perseverance on the march and resolution and bravery in attack.

The young naval force of the Republic has also demonstrated valour in fulfilling its combat missions. The sinking of a US cruiser by a torpedo-boat unit in its valiant attack against overwhelming enemy strength will go down as a brilliant feat in the history of our navy.

In their engagements with the ground forces of the US invaders, our People's Army units have inflicted on them their first serious defeat.

Our results on the battle front show that the might of our people, who have risen in struggle for the independence and freedom of the country, is inexhaustible, and that the heroic People's Army can and will drive the US imperialist aggressors from our land.

Our People's Army is provided with every condition for completely smashing the enemy.

It is equipped with modern military technique.

It is not fighting for dollars or to subjugate another nation, as are the hired American troops, but for the country's

independence and the people's freedom. It is the lofty spirit of patriotic devotion that provides our People's Army soldiers with an inexhaustible source of courage and heroism.

The US aggressor forces are fighting on foreign soil, whereas our People's Army, surrounded by the love and support of the entire people, is fighting on its own territory. The US imperialist robbers are hated by all our people and are meeting with retaliation from the people at every step on account of their brutalities.

The US armed intervention in our country has roused the Korean people's utmost indignation and hatred for the US imperialist colonial plunderers and their running dogs, the Syngman Rhee clique. Our brave young people are flooding into the ranks of the People's Army to volunteer for the front. Already, more than 500,000 have come forward. Volunteer and combined units are being formed across the country from patriots who have risen to rout the invaders promptly in whatever part of the country they may show up and to defend every inch of the fatherland with their blood.

In response to the heroic advance of the People's Army, the intrepid guerrillas are extending their areas of operation in North Kyongsang, South Kyongsang and South Jolla Provinces and, with the active support of the people, are launching vigorous struggles against the US invaders and the traitorous Syngman Rhee gang.

In the areas liberated by the People's Army, the people of all walks of life are enthusiastically welcoming the dauntless men and officers of the People's Army who have rescued them from the police terror of the traitorous Syngman Rhee clique. The liberated people are working to restore the people's committees dissolved by the reactionaries and carry into effect the Constitution of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

which guarantees the people liberties and rights. The peasants have embarked on agrarian reform, their centuries-old desire, in accordance with the decree of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. All land held by the US imperialists, the Syngman Rhee puppet government and the Korean landlords and the traitors to the nation is being confiscated and turned over to the peasants without charge.

The collapse of Syngman Rhee's puppet army and reactionary state machine has fully revealed the corruption of his puppet regime which was forced upon the south Korean people at US imperialist bayonet-point, and this has shown that the regime has no support from the Korean people.

The victories of the People's Army and the love and assistance the people unanimously shower upon its men and officers prove the superiority of the state and social system of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the firm unity of the people. They also show that all the Korean people fervently support the policy of the Government of the Republic of repulsing the US imperialist invasion, bringing about reunification and safeguarding national independence. Our victories have been possible because the people in the northern half of Korea have risen as one to defend the people's democratic system with their lives. This also clearly proves that the people in the southern half support the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and ardently desire that democratic reforms, which guarantee the political, economic and cultural development of the country and improvements in the people's life, are carried out in south Korea, too.

Now that the Syngman Rhee clique, the faithful minion of US imperialism, that has been carrying out US policies in south Korea, has been defeated, the US bandits have become open in

their aggression against the Korean people. Had it not been for their direct armed intervention, the fratricidal war ignited by their underlings would have ended, our country would already have been reunified and the people in the southern half completely liberated from the police terror of US imperialism and the Syngman Rhee clique.

The US imperialist invasion of Korea is arousing the indignation of people throughout the world. In many countries, including the Soviet Union, China, France, Britain, Germany, Australia, Italy, Pakistan and Japan, and even in the United States itself, popular movements are under way against the US imperialist aggression under the slogan "Hands Off Korea!" Our people's just cause of freedom and independence of the country is receiving warm support and encouragement from freedom-loving people the world over.

Dear fellow countrymen, brothers and sisters,

The US imperialists, the vicious enemies of the Korean people, have extended their bloodstained claws to our land in order to subjugate our beloved country by force of arms. The entire people must unite as one and counter their armed intervention with decisive blows.

The US imperialists will realize how great and inexhaustible is the united strength of the Korean people and how unbreakable is their indomitable fighting will and their aspirations for freedom and independence.

Under no circumstances will our people become colonial slaves again.

We will never forgive the US imperialists for the crimes they have committed on our soil; we will never pardon them for barbarously bombing our peaceful towns and villages and slaughtering our parents, brothers and sisters and innocent children. The brutal US imperialist aggressors who have

soaked our land with the blood of the people will be cursed for all ages to come by the Korean people.

All Koreans who hold dear the honour of the country and the future of the nation should come out as one man in the sacred Fatherland Liberation War against the US imperialist aggression.

The names of the patriotic fighters who have done heroic deeds in the battle for freedom and independence against the foreign invaders will shine for ever in the history of our country.

All patriots,

Dear brothers and sisters,

The cause of winning freedom and independence for the country is the cause of the Korean people themselves. The entire people must strengthen in every way assistance to our People's Army as it continues its southward advance, routing and wiping out the enemy with courage and patriotic devotion in fierce battles against the US imperialist invaders.

Let us mobilize all our forces and resources for aiding the People's Army and for victory. Let us produce more food, cloth, coal, steel, and other goods and use them most economically in order quickly to rout the US imperialist aggressors and the Syngman Rhee clique.

Let us strengthen labour discipline, achieve great feats of labour and rapidly rehabilitate the industrial enterprises damaged by bombing to increase wartime production. Let us maintain sharp vigilance and make our rear an impregnable fortress.

Heroic men and women guerrillas,

People in the areas not yet liberated,

Wage guerrilla struggle against the US imperialist marauders and their flunkeys in an all-people movement.

Guerrillas, attack the enemy more daringly, bravely and ruthlessly. Destroy roads, railways, bridges and communication lines. Disrupt the aggressors' troop movements and their transportation of weapons and supplies. Raid and destroy the enemy's armories and munition depots and wipe out enemy troops that come your way. Let fires start under the very feet of the heinous enemy trampling the sacred soil of our country.

Your heroic struggle in the enemy's rear will speed up the advance of the People's Army and bring nearer the great day of victory in the Fatherland Liberation War.

Valiant men, noncommissioned officers and officers of the People's Army,

The entire Korean people are following your great exploits in the battle for the country and the people with profound affection and pride.

Annihilate the vicious aggressors more mercilessly and decisively. Clear our land of the US imperialist invaders and their lackeys.

Officers of the People's Army,

Skilfully apply the art of command of modern warfare. Boldly lead your units on mobile operations and surround and wipe out the enemy. Turn our army's technical excellence to full account.

Infantrymen, tankmen, artillerymen, airmen and sailors of the People's Army,

You have already proved your valour and devotion in the battles to rout the Syngman Rhee puppet troops. Be even braver and thoroughly crush the aggressive forces of US imperialism that have invaded our land. Make use of your weapons skilfully and make every shot count.

You should not for a moment forget that you are carrying out a sacred duty for your country and your people. Emulate

the noble patriotic spirit of our ancestors, Generals Ulji Mun Dok and Kang Kam Chan and Admiral Ri Sun Sin, who valiantly defended our country against foreign aggressors, and render heroic service, every one of you, in this sacred war for the liberation of the fatherland.

Let us march forward to drive the US imperialists to the last man from our soil, where generation after generation of our ancestors lie buried and where our beloved younger generation is growing up. Let us carry our just liberation struggle to victory so that the glorious flag of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea will fly high over Pusan, Mokpho and Mt. Halla on Jeju Island.

Forward to victory!

Long live the freedom and independence of Korea!