



## **THE EMBASSY OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

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### **Japanese PM Accused of His Reckless Remarks to Cover up Past Crimes**

Pyongyang, April 29 (KCNA) -- A spokesman for the DPRK Foreign Ministry Wednesday gave the following answer to the question put by KCNA as regards Japanese Prime Minister Abe's crafty behavior to cover up Japan's past crimes while insulting the victims of the sexual slavery for the Imperial Japanese Army:

Abe on his trip to the U.S. termed sexual slaves "victims of flesh traffic" in a recent lecture and at a press conference he let loose a spate of reckless remarks asserting that sexual slaves were results of flesh traffic.

What Abe uttered was an intolerable insult to the victims.

Explicitly speaking, the sexual slaves for the Imperial Japanese Army were victims of the sexual slavery systematically enforced by militarist Japan by force, not victims of flesh traffic.

The hideous crimes committed by Japan against humanity during its occupation of Korea and World War II are stark historical facts that can neither be concealed nor be covered up.

Abe and other Japanese right-wing conservative forces are working hard to totally negate their past crimes and evade responsibility for them through such crafty wordplay. This can be done only by hooligans devoid of morality and human conscience and psychopath bereft of elementary normal sense.

Abe's reckless remarks that shielded the hideous crimes against humanity in disregard of the international community strongly urging Japan to make an apology and reparation for its past crimes including the issue of sexual slavery vividly showed the moral vulgarity and impudence of Japan.

Abe reportedly said Japan would donate funds to the UN for the protection of women's rights. This is also a base act of making mockery of mankind as it means bargaining on inviolable human rights with a petty amount of money.

If the Japanese authorities persist in putting under the carpet the past crime-woven history of Japan and repeating it, it will never escape destruction more shameful than its defeat in the past war.

The Abe-led Japanese authorities should drop their anachronistic way of thinking and honestly admit and apologize and make reparation for all the inhuman crimes including the sexual slavery as demanded by the international community.-0-