

## DPRK Foreign Ministry Spokesman Warns U.S. of Its Moves for Nuclear War

Pyongyang, July 11 (KCNA) -- A spokesman for the DPRK Foreign Ministry released a statement on Monday as regards the U.S. ever more undisguised military moves to render the situation on the Korean Peninsula extremely tense.

The U.S. already introduced Stennis and Ronald Reagan nuclear carrier task forces, nuclear-powered submarine Mississippi, B-52Hs and other strategic assets into the vicinity of south Korea. Recently it announced a plan to conduct drills under the simulated conditions of striking major military facilities of the DPRK by transferring 12 F-16s under the 169th flying corps from the U.S. mainland to the Osan Air Force base in south Korea.

This proves that the U.S. seeks to bring dark clouds of a nuclear war to hang over the Korean peninsula at any cost by staging joint military drills with the south Korean puppet forces in August and its scenario has entered into the phase of its implementation.

The U.S., seized with an anachronistic hostile policy towards the DPRK and the daydream of carrying out its strategy for world domination, seeks to turn the peninsula into a theatre of a thermonuclear war and thus implement its aggressive pivot-to Asia-Pacific strategy in real earnest.

The U.S. officially decided to deploy THAAD in south Korea to achieve this objective.

It is the calculation of the U.S. to retain its military edge in the Asia-Pacific and realize its wild ambition for dominating it while staging aggressive war drills with the DPRK as its primary target and stepping up the arms buildup and the creation of a military bloc.

Due to such U.S. saber-rattling, peace and security on the peninsula and in the region are seriously threatened and the danger of a nuclear war is becoming a reality.

The DPRK will never remain a passive onlooker to the U.S. madcap moves to plunge the peninsula into a nuclear disaster but take stronger countermeasures to defend the sovereignty and dignity of the country and nation and peace.

Should the U.S. provoke a nuclear war on the peninsula, it will inevitably face a baptism of nuclear strike before anybody else.