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U.S. Harsh Sanctions against DPRK Will Entail Catastrophic Consequences

Pyongyang, March 28 (KCNA) -- Early in January this year Obama issued a "presidential executive order" to impose additional sanctions upon the DPRK over the cyber attack on the Sony Pictures Entertainment. The International Relations Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives adopted a bill on ratcheting up sanctions against the DPRK in February.

Rodong Sinmun Saturday in a commentator's article notes in this regard:

The U.S. administration and Congress are vying with each other in slapping sanctions against the DPRK. This is something rare to be seen in the past.

Washington's one-sided policy for ratcheting up the sanctions against the DPRK is no more than the last resort chosen by it from the calculation that it can neither check the latter's bolstering of nuclear deterrent nor disturb its economic growth through power-backed pressure only. It is also a last-ditch effort to block the DPRK's successful advance by slapping harsher sanctions against it.

From the outset of this year, the U.S. has got frantic with its moves to pressurize the DPRK by force and sanctions in a bid to lead it to "earlier changes."

The sinister design of the U.S., an empire of devils, to wipe the DPRK, a sovereign state, off the world map by igniting even a nuclear war on the Korean peninsula is being revealed with each passing day.

Washington set it a policy and a law to ratchet up its sanctions and pressure upon the DPRK. It is working with bloodshot eyes to establish an international cooperation system for enforcing them while floating a story about "nuclear threat" from the latter.

Under the prevailing situation where the U.S. is recklessly pursuing the above-said policy after throwing away even the double-dealing policy of dialogue and pressure it much touted in the past, the DPRK clarifies once again its unshakable stand reflecting the towering resentment of its service personnel and people at the U.S. and their confidence in sure victory as follows:

Firstly, the above-said U.S. policy precisely means a declaration of war against the DPRK and it is the latter's resolute determination to conclude its decades-old showdown with the former with nukes.

Secondly, the U.S. foolish acts of tightening collusion and nexus with other countries, pulling up the DPRK over its "nuclear issue", will only bring earlier the latter's great war for national reunification.

Thirdly, the further the U.S. ratchets up sanctions to pressurize the DPRK, the higher the latter will hold the banner of the line of simultaneously developing the two fronts to hasten its final victory.

If the U.S. persists in its policy for ratcheting up sanctions and pressure upon the DPRK, it will be bound to face an unimaginable catastrophe. This is a solemn warning served by the DPRK.-0-