## DPRK Foreign Ministry Spokesman Slashes at U.S. Adoption of Independent Sanctions Law

Pyongyang, August 3 (KCNA) -- A spokesman for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the DPRK gave the following answer to a question raised by the KCNA on August 3 as regards the fact that the U.S. has rigged up another heinous sanctions law to suffocate the DPRK: On August 2, U.S. President Trump signed the "Countering America's Adversaries through Sanctions Act" which recently passed the U.S. Congress. Thus, additional sanctions against the DPRK, Russia and Iran were formally adopted as the law.

The U.S. adoption of sanctions law against the DPRK is no more than last-ditch efforts by those who are terrified at the series of measures taken by the DPRK in rapid succession to develop a sophisticated nuclear force.

The act of the U.S. which is so fond of rigging up sanctions law and brandishing the sanctions club against other sovereign states is no better than that of a hooligan which cannot be allowed by international law as well.

The adoption of another unilateral sanctions law against sovereign states by the U.S. is a criminal conduct whereby it tried to apply its federal law to international relations which constitutes a direct challenge to the UN Charter and international law.

That is why the DPRK strongly condemns and rejects the so called unilateral sanctions by the U.S., and all other countries in the world also need to seriously ponder over the outrageous and unlawful act of the U.S.

It is an undeniable realty that the DPRK has manufactured atomic bomb and hydrogen bomb, and even ICBM despite harsh sanctions continuing for more than half a century. It is really pathetic to see the lawmakers of the U.S. still running foolish and impudent failing to grasp the key to the DPRK's success.

The sanctions campaign by the U.S. might work on the other countries, but never with the DPRK.

As the respected Supreme Leader with far-sighted wisdom, outstanding leadership art and incomparable grit and courage stands in the van of our revolution and there are the single-minded unity of the army and people around their leader and the great might of self-development, the DPRK scores only victory one after another.

The sanctions by the U.S. has only worked to redouble the indomitable spirit of our army and people closely rallied around the leader and their unfathomable strength of self-reliance and self-development and increase the DPRK's defence capability.

The recent second test-launch of ICBM Hwasong-14 by the DPRK was meant to send a stern warning to the U.S. which is going reckless and frantic, having suffered only crushing defeats in the all-out showdown with the DPRK.

The U.S. trumpeting about war and threat to impose extreme sanctions on the DPRK only increase the latter's vigilance and stamina, and provides further justification for its access to nukes.

The anachronistic daydream of the U.S. politicians of damaging by means of sanctions the overall national power and strategic prestige of the DPRK which have been markedly boosted, is being subject to humiliation within the U.S. as well.

The U.S. sanctions provide further justification for the DPRK's measures to intensify the development of its nuclear force. The countries abiding by this sanctions regime, instead of

criticizing it, can't be seen otherwise than the ones fueling the tensions on the Korean peninsula.

The U.S. had better deliberate on the ways to ensure its home security rather than wasting its energy on the hopeless sanctions racket against the DPRK.