

## U.S.-Japan-S. Korea Missile Warning Drill Termed Another Military Provocation against DPRK

Pyongyang, June 28 (KCNA) -- A spokesman for the Disarmament and Peace Institute of the DPRK Foreign Ministry Tuesday gave the following answer to the question put by KCNA as regards the military provocation perpetrated by the U.S. against the DPRK together with Japan and south Korean puppet forces:

On Tuesday the U.S. staged a missile warning drill in the waters near Hawaii together with Japan and the south Korean puppet forces under the pretext of coping with "nuclear and missile threat" from the DPRK.

The drill staged in the Pacific Ocean was another military provocation against the DPRK and a revelation of their hegemonic scenario for disturbing regional peace and security.

The U.S. recently opened to the public the hideous plan for "precision air raid operation" aimed to "disable" nuclear facilities and strategic means of the DPRK and introduced nuclear-powered submarine Mississippi and a formation of B-52H strategic bombers into south Korea. The anti-DPRK joint military drill staged in the wake of these military moves clearly proves once again who is chiefly to blame for the tense situation on the Korean peninsula.

What should not be overlooked is that the U.S., Japan and south Korea openly started the provocative triangular joint military exercise, the first of its kind in history.

The U.S. missile defense system which is being translated into reality in the Asia-Pacific region and the appearance of NATO of Asian version with the U.S.-Japan-south Korean triangular military alliance as a mother body are not a long way off, and it will inevitably spark off a new arms race and a new Cold War in Northeast Asia surrounding the Korean peninsula.

Herein lies the danger of the above-said drill.

The reality goes to prove that very just are the line and policy of the Workers' Party of Korea and the state on further bolstering up the self-defensive nuclear deterrence both in quality and quantity.

It is the consistent stand of the DPRK to defend the peace and security in the region and the rest of the world by dint of Songun.

Now that the U.S. and other hostile forces are posing constant threat to the security of the DPRK and the region by frequently staging joint military exercises, the army and people of the DPRK will bolster in a sustainable manner the capabilities for preemptive nuclear attack to pose a constant threat to the enemies, and put spurs to research and development of diverse strategic attack weapons.