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Fellow Juche adherents and participants to this seminar, Comrades, ladies and gentlemen

At the occasion of the Uganda National Seminar on Juche Idea 2020, it is a great honour and privilege to address fellow Juche adherents. I also wish to extend warm congratulations to the founding father of Juche Idea, Eternal President **Kim Il Sung**, and organizers of this program for having developed this intervention in ensuring a curtailed study of Juche idea. Special thanks go to the Embassy of D.P.R. Korea in Uganda and the leadership of Pan African Movement together who have taken up the responsibility to ensure the success of this program.

Africa in today's world is marked by conflicts and significant changes in its politico-security trends. Therefore, it is paramount that every African who can contribute towards a more peaceful, secure and developed society does so selflessly whether old or young. Young people just as they are the most vulnerable with insecurities, they however also tend to play an extraordinary role in the promotion and sustainability of socio-economic growth, unity, peace and security.

In pursuit of independence, peace and unity, the Ugandan government has since undertaken and participated in several both regional and continental initiatives including the fight against terrorist activities in Somalia, mediating in the peace agreement in South Sudan under IGAD which is a regional consortium, has been crucial in the federation of the East African Community and is part of the new Africa Union Continental Free Trade Area framework. Further, as East African Community, we established joint military and police initiatives, a customs union and recently introduced a common passport. This is aimed at fulfilling the regional governments' mandate to unify the people of East Africa. This is our perfect path toward collective self reliance.

Uganda has also embarked on plans to improve the ideological orientation of its people mainly the youth through Pan Africanism and cadre training in Patriotism, socio-economic empowerment through Poverty Alleviation and youth livelihood programs. All these developments are aimed at ensuring peaceful steadfast development of the country and replicas and similar programs are being undertaken in the neighbouring countries.

I am also glad to note that I have appreciated the fact that this year's National Seminar on Juche idea is being tailored towards the empowerment of Africa through emulation of Juche Idea to achieve collective self-reliance as a continent.

I therefore want to assure the fellow Pan Africanists, Juche Adherents and all comrades in the struggle that the future is warmly awaiting for your services.

I also call upon fellow Ugandans and regional counterparts to cooperate in the ongoing fight of the novel corona virus pandemic.

I thank you.

One struggle, many fronts