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### ***DPRK TO HOST 150<sup>th</sup> ITU SPECIAL EVENT***

(Pyongyang) As a member of the International Telecommunications Union, the DPRK is pleased to announce it will host a unique special event in celebration of the ITU 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of an important ITU Conference which took place in 1865.

During that conference the ITU embraced *Morse Code* as a formal method for Global communication. All modern technology like cell phones, the Internet, wireless, AM-FM-TV broadcast stations and satellites trace back to their beginning roots to use of a device called the *Telegraph* and *Morse Code*.

Now considered a *Cultural Artform*, the use of *Morse Code* is still in Global use today by many thousands of Amateur Radio operators who desire to make a virtual contact with the DPRK over the traditional broadcast airwaves which also involves Ionospheric Propagation.

The unique special event will take place during a Global *RadioSPORT* competition held during the last weekend of November, 2015. Thousands of Global competitors and participants include many Amateur Radio Operators who are in the 70 and 80 year old age range, who still send and receive *Morse Code* at extremely high rates of speed. For those too old to participate in soccer or other physical sports, this event is also an opportunity and competitive venue to facilitate the desired personal direct virtual connection with the DPRK.

Global Amateur Radio operators and Short-Wave Listeners are invited to join in this celebration during the popular *RadioSPORT* competition known as the *CQ World-Wide DX Contest (CW Version)*. The term *CW* is a unique designation for *Morse Code*, and the special DPRK Amateur Radio Callsign ***P5CW*** will be issued for use during the event.

DPRK Authorities are also granting special permission to a 71 year old Senior Citizen and award winning Amateur Radio operator from the USA to operate his portable equipment in Pyongyang for the celebration.

As the DPRK continues to expand its Global Outreach, hosting of the special 150<sup>th</sup> ITU Anniversary *RadioSport* event demonstrates the DPRK commitment to improving positive Global cooperation and connection.