

Activists to Send Leaflets on N.Korean Party Founding Day

Activists will float balloons carrying propaganda leaflets denouncing the dynastic succession in North Korea on Sunday, the founding day of the North's Workers Party, a coalition of civic groups said Thursday.

"Alongside civic groups of defectors... we're going to float balloons carrying leaflets titled '20 Million Fellow Countrymen, Rise Up!' and hip-hop CDs denouncing Kim Jong-un from the Imjingak Pavilion" along the demilitarized zone, a spokesman said. "We're going to print stories that North Koreans are unfamiliar with, including about Kim Jong-un's stay at a Swiss school and about his mother Ko Yong-hui."

They will be joined by Suzanne Scholte, the chairwoman of the conservative North Korea Freedom Coalition, who won the Seoul Peace Prize in 2008.

In time to celebrate its 65th anniversary, the party held an extraordinary congress for the first time in 44 years and established Kim Jong-un as his father Kim Jong-il's successor to the leadership. Now it is expected to stage a massive military parade and a mass rally in Pyongyang.

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