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## USA wants no peace with North Korea at all ever

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North Korea has a special place in the propaganda system of the West. The country is presented as something that can be created with the development of leftist ideas. Not so many people know that North Korea makes fine cars, whereas the electronic industry and agriculture is far from being dilapidated. Who benefits from distorting the truth about real life in North Korea? Pravda.Ru asked this question to Alexander Zhebin, the Director of the Center for Korean Studies of the Institute of the Far East of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

"You are a famous scientist and the director of the Center for Korean Studies of the Institute of the Far East of the Russian Academy of Science. How do you perceive, for example, the news that well-known North Korean comedian Lee Chun-hong was exiled to a coal mine for her joke about the regime. Who creates such stories about North Korea and what for?"

"Unfortunately, the Western press is filled with reports of various horrors taking place in North Korea, but they have no reliable sources that confirm these libels. Most often, the news is based on pieces of information allegedly received from those who fled the country to South Korea. The credibility of such reports is very weak, because every defector wants to win the favor of new authorities. The rumors that they spread, are, to put it mildly, exaggerated. In particular, the reports of executions, deaths and purges among the North Korean leadership are far from being true. For example, there were many rumors about sitting Prime Minister Pak Mo Joo. It was speculated that he had fallen out of favor and was sent off for re-education, etc. The same was happening to many other members of the North Korean leadership.

"Recently, there was a wild fantasy about a general, who was shot from a mortar. Anyone who is more or less familiar with military equipment knows that this is impossible to do. This entire campaign around the DPRK is well planned and is being conducted massively at different levels. It has one goal - to demonize the country and its leaders. After all, before attacking the country, one should take it beyond the moral categories of so-called universal values that are formulated in the West."

"So in the United States, they decide who should live in this world and how..."

"Of course, it is advantageous for the Americans to have a villain in the Far East - the North Korean regime. This regime does not meet Western standards of democracy and human rights, but those who have recently attended the events marking the 60th anniversary of the Korean War, could see with their own eyes that it was not the totalitarian monster that the West liked to write about so much.

"The Americans are doing it because it was awkward to name the new democratic Russia as the enemy in the Far East after the collapse of the Soviet Union. Even if they had done it, most people wouldn't have believed it. China is the largest trading partner of the United States and the second largest economic power, so this country did not seem to fit the role either.

"Therefore, the small country of North Korea turned out to be perfect for that. The country poses no serious threat to the Americans, but it can be pictured to the world as the worst of all evils. At the same time, there is a reason to continue to maintain forward-deployed forces along the Russian and Chinese borders, or deploy a missile defense system in the region."

"Is it possible to try to avoid military confrontation through negotiations?"

"Unfortunately, I do not see any prospects for reaching agreements between the U.S. and North Korea. America simply does not need them. Imagine for a moment that North Korea has accepted all American requirements and put down its weapons and missiles, thus minimizing all excuses to trumpet about the threats coming from Pyongyang. How will the U.S. administration and military lobby explain to their own Congress, the American people, the allies, and, most importantly, the Chinese and Russians, why there is a need to deploy missile defense and U.S. forces there?"

"So the Americans, despite decades of negotiations with North Korea, do not want any agreement with them. For them, the program is simple: keep North Korea in isolation as a rogue nation and create the necessary atmosphere in the UN and the international community in general.

The maximum program for the U.S. is to try to put the squeeze on the regime through economic sanctions and economic blockade. Most of these measures were introduced by the United States unilaterally in violation of international law, although they groundlessly accuse North Korea of violating international law. To unite the Korean Peninsula under their dominance and reach the land border of China and Russia in Asia - these are the true goals of the U.S. strategy and the American expansion in Asia. It does not matter what system of government North Korea may have."