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they had in-depth communications and excellent and beneficial talks to deepen mutual understanding, reached a consensus on important

issues, built up comradely trust and forged unusual rapport, and confirmed their will to continue to carry forward and ennoble the friendly ties between the two Parties and the two countries, whatever the international situation.

The Chinese leader and his wife gave their thanks to the Korean counterparts for offering them warmest hospitality and carefully arranging enthusiastic and special reception and ceremonies during

their stay in Pyongyang.

The luncheon proceeded in a harmonious atmosphere overflowing with the feeling of friendship.

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Leaders visit memorial to pay homage to fallen CPV soldiers



Xi Jinping, general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China and president of the People's Republic of China, laid a basket of flowers at the Friendship Tower in Pyongyang on Friday.

Kim Jong Un, chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea and chairman of the State Affairs Commission of the DPRK, and his wife Ri Sol Ju greeted President Xi Jinping and his wife Peng Liyuan at the Friendship Tower.

The floral basket-laying ceremony

was attended by Ding Xuexiang, Yang Jiechi, Wang Yi, He Lifeng, Song Tao and other members of the entourage of the Chinese President.

Also present there were Choe Ryong Hae, Pak Pong Ju and other senior officials of the Korean Party, government and military organs and officials concerned.

The guard of honour of the Korean People's Army lined up at the Friendship Tower.

The national anthems of the two countries were played.

A basket of flowers was placed at the tower in the name of Xi Jinping.

Written on the ribbon were letters reading "The martyrs of the Chinese People's Volunteers will be immortal".

The top leaders of the two countries, together with the participants, observed a moment's silence in memory of the fallen CPV soldiers who had laid down their prime of youth and lives in the sacred war against the imperialist armed invasion together with the Korean people.

Then, there was a march-past of the guard of honour of the KPA.

The Chinese President and his wife looked round the tower symbolic of the blood-tied bilateral friendship as they were told about it.

Xi Jinping wrote in the visitor's book:

"Friendship will be handed down through generations with longing for the martyrs. Xi Jinping June 21 2019".

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