

## **Abstract**

### **A study on the Dual-Structures of the North Korean Nationalism: the Evolutionary and Developmental View of Nation and Nationalism**

North Korea has re-interpreted the nationalism as the progressive ideology after Kim Il Sung's statements in 1991. North Korea already has estimated the nation as pre-modern construction with denying it as the modern construction. But North Korea estimated it negatively on the nationalism until 1990s.

The reasons why North Korea re-interpreted the nationalism as the progressive ideology were as followings. First, it was the requirement for the security of the system itself after breaking down of USSR and Eastern European states. Second, it was the necessity for countermeasures against the globalization which had spread in earnest in 1990s. Last, it was required for new countermeasures on the unification. As these reasons, North Korea emphasized the building for socialism based on the 'nation' and the unity between socialism and nationalism based on the devotion to country and to people(patriotism).

The analyses of the nation and the nationalism re-interpreted by North Korea were constructed with dual structures. North Korea analyzed the nation as the pre-modern construction, but the nationalism as the modern ideology. This means that North Korean ideas on the nation and the nationalism don't get out of the Marxist frame yet. In other words, North Korea analyzed the nation in the evolutionary view, but gave the developmental meaning to the nationalism. This is the aim that North Korea tries to develop the socialist system based on the 'nation' and tries to get legitimation for building the 'powerful great state.'

In consequence, It is hard to believe that the 'theory of the nation and the nationalism' of North Korea is completed. Also, it means that the theory has particularity for solving the problems facing North Korea. In fact, theories on the nation and the nationalism are generally universal phenomenon based on the particularities. In the same manner, North Korean theory of the nation and the nationalism is being developed based on the particularity.

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