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Dear Mr. Erich Weingartner,

I would like to express my deepest thanks to you for your message of condolences on 19 December 2011 on the sudden passing of His Excellency **KIM JONG IL**, General Secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea, Chairman of the DPRK National Defence Commission and Supreme Commander of the Korean People's Army.

Your message of condolences in sharing the sorrow with us represents a great support and inspiration to our people, who have turned their grief over the loss of their leader into courage and strength and are fully resolved to surely build a socialist prosperous and powerful country, upholding the behest of great leader **KIM JONG IL** and single-mindedly united around His Excellency **KIM JONG UN**, Supreme Leader of the Party, State and the Military of DPRK.

Best regards,

  
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