

# Please join us in supporting the Hyosun-Miseon Memorial Archive Construction Fund!

HOW CAN WE SUPPORT the Korean people's struggle for democracy, peace, and independence at this time? Korea Peace Campaign members have identified one solid way: to support a South Korean peace project that is currently raising funds to build a memorial archive that will serve as a peace education center in the future.

# **Background**

On June 13, 2002, in Gyeonggi, South Korea, a U.S. Army armored vehicle, returning to its home base on a public road after training maneuvers in the countryside, struck and killed two 14-year-old South Korean schoolgirls, Shin Hyosun and Shim Miseon. The American soldiers involved were found not guilty of negligent homicide at their military court-martial, inflaming anti-American sentiment in South Korea and sparking a series of candlelight vigils in protest of their deaths. The memory of the two schoolgirls is commemorated annually in South Korea.



22nd Commemoration Ceremony at Hyosun-Miseon Peace Park

## **Project Description**

For the past few years, the Hyosun-Miseon Peace Park
Project Committee in Korea has been fundraising to build a
Hyosun-Miseon Memorial Archive next to its peace park, in
order to preserve the documents, pictures, and videos relating
to the horrific deaths of the two girls and the subsequent
Korean peoples' candlelight movement for justice. The archive
will serve as an important peace education center where
visitors may learn about the continuing human costs of the



Memorial Archive Concept Illustration

U.S. war in Korea. The archive is being developed with both Koreans and Americans in mind, including many U.S. veterans who may visit South Korea in the future.

#### **Our Goal**

In solidarity with the Hyosun-Miseon Peace Park Project Committee's efforts, **Korea Peace Campaign**, **a national project of Veterans For Peace**, **has set a goal to raise** \$5,000-\$10,000 to contribute to the construction fund for the memorial archive building. We are the only U.S. veterans group supporting the project at this time.

## **Support the Memorial Archive!**

We invite local Veterans For Peace chapters, members, and allies to help us meet our goal by making a charitable (tax-deductible) donation to VFP for the Korea Peace Campaign's Hyosun-Miseon Memorial Archive construction fund. Please share this invitation with others who may want to give.

- CONTRIBUTE ONLINE by clicking the "Donate" button on the Korea Peace Campaign page, at <u>veteransforpeace.org/our-work/vfp-national-projects/korea-peace-campaign/donate-kpc</u>. When donating, be sure to check YES where it says "Is this donation for Hyosun & Miseon Archive Building Fund?"
- MAIL A CHECK made payable to "Veterans For Peace" and earmarked "for Korea Project—Archive Fund" to VFP National Office, 3407 S. Jefferson Ave, #219, St. Louis MO 63118

## **THANK YOU!**

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