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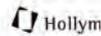
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A Weekend in Pyongyang,
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Photographs and Text by Adelin Petrisor



The photographs of Romania's most distinguished war correspondent shed light onto the capital of the most secretive and isolated nation in the world in 2012 – the centennial of 'Great Leader' Kim Il-sung's birth.

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5 pages of text in English and Korean: bilingual captions

Adelin Petrisor is one of the most famous war correspondents and photographers in Romania. Since childhood he's held an ambition to



visit the country of Kim Il-sung, one of the closest and most reliable friends of Nicolae Ceausescu, the former leader of socialist Romania. He had tried to obtain a visa from North Korean embassy for

over 6 years before finally being allowed to travel to Pyongyang in 2012. His first contact with Kim Il-sung's nation was a tough one. He couldn't help but be dismayed by the dull and delapidated airport, the grey faceless buildings of the city, and the people all dressed in drab colours, fearfully turning their heads away and quickly walking in the opposite direction when they realise strangers are looking at them. These scenes and others reminded him of his childhood in communist Romania: large queues outside the few shabby shops, huge deserted boulevards, and big banners filled with communist propaganda.

The photos captured by Adelin's camera do possess a unique character and perspective. He IS a Romanian: he HAS painful childhood memories of the communist era in his own country. His pictures depict not only the realities of North Korea, but go much deeper and reveal his own poignant and troubled feelings. The result is a rare and valuable insight into a nation which elicits fear and loathing at worst and incomprehension at best. At the very least, this book offers everyone an opportunity to satisfy their inevitable curiosity.

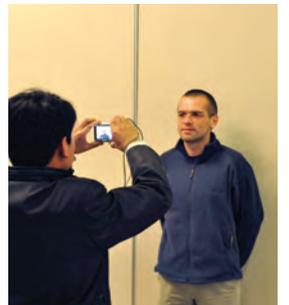


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