



The System Patch Explained

The original name of our system, given by Grandmaster Kim, was **Tong II**, which means *unified* because of the combination of martial arts in our system.

Then Grandmaster Kim had a dream that changed all that, from then on he knew that the name of our system would be **Chayon**. The design for the system patch came to him in this dream. He was told by a voice to dig in the ground until he uncovered two bronze tablets.

One was bordered by two black belts, lying in an L-shape along opposite edges. Portrayed on this tablet was a bamboo tree with Chinese characters on either side. The other tablet had a fist on it that Grandmaster Kim knew stood for Shotokan.

The voice told him to pick one, but Grandmaster hesitated. He could not choose because he did not recognize the writing on the other tablet. Finally the voice told him to pick the one that he did not understand because it was not known yet. That is when he was inspired to use the name **Chayon**.

Grandmaster did not recognize all the characters and his efforts to determine their meaning were inconclusive so he omitted some of them from the original patch. The Chinese language is very difficult to understand. But he continued to pursue their meaning...



There are several reasons for these difficulties. The character **In**-“patience,” was not used much in martial arts, for many years the character **Nam**-“enlightenment or return home” was left off the patch until he uncovered it’s meaning.

Although **Nam** is thought of as a Buddhist word, it can be applied to anyone who uses it. **Nam** is an understanding to some degree or another of what you are studying in a spiritual sense, how to live your life, to get inspiration, and to understand the big picture.

Now the final piece has fallen into place. Next to both the **In** and **Nam** was another character, **Shim**. This character means, “mind.” Everything starts in the mind. All you are looking for in your life you can have – if you visualize it first in your mind. Happiness comes from the inside not the outside. This character does not exist by itself in the Chinese language so it required some research by Grandmaster Kim.

It has taken over thirty years to understand the puzzle his dream represented. Only through consultation with Zen Masters and Chinese language professors has Grandmaster been able to solve this puzzle. These words came alive from his dream. People make language and words, according to the consultants.

The system patch is now complete just like it appeared in Grandmaster's dream. Since man makes letters, characters, and language, the Zen Master told him,, that he should put the characters on the patch just as they appeared in his dream. Because of this, Grandmaster Kim created these characters. No one had put them together before.

The significance of this character combined with **In** and **Nam**, is that patience and enlightenment come from within. These qualities are only achieved through a sincere and humble attitude. "Clean your cup" before you come to class and live in the moment.

Our rank certificates also contain symbols that have played a role in Grandmaster Kim's work and dreams. The birds that border the certificates are **Phoenix**. They are symbols of the President or King of Korea and have played roles in some of Grandmaster's other dreams.

The calligraphy/art that you see in the middle of the certificate in the background represents nature. A special award was issued by Park, Chung Hee (President of Korea) in 1971 at a national photo contest that used this calligraphy. This happened six months after Grandmasters dream and is a very unique coincidence. Usually a photo is taken of scenery or some subject but to take a picture of calligraphy is unusual. That someone did the calligraphy and then someone took a picture was like a special congratulation or award to the system especially considering it won such a special award from the Korean President.

Since then Grandmaster Kim has used this calligraphy in our certificates.

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