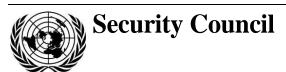
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Letter dated 20 December 2014 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instruction from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith the text of a statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) on 20 December 2014 with regard to the anti-DPRK human rights resolution adopted at a plenary meeting of the sixty-ninth session of the United Nations General Assembly on 18 December 2014 (see annex).

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea categorically rejects the anti-DPRK human rights resolution fabricated on the basis of plots, lies and misinformation and forced by the United States and other hostile countries in a high-handed and arbitrary manner.

The resolution and the concurrent move to consider the so-called "human rights issue" of the DPRK in the Security Council are the most undisguised manifestation of the hostile policy pursued by the United States against the DPRK, as well as a politically motivated, dangerous attempt to lay the groundwork for an invasion of the DPRK under the pretext of human rights.

Under the present grave situation, where the hostile policy pursued by the United States to mount a military invasion of the DPRK under the excuse of human rights has become ever more clear, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea will take all the necessary measures, not bound to anything, to defend its sovereignty and security and protect its social system and the rights of its people.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council as soon as possible.

(Signed) Ja Song Nam Ambassador Permanent Representative





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Statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Pyongyang, December 20 (KCNA) — The Foreign Ministry of the DPRK released the following statement on 20 December 2014:

The efforts of the DPRK Government to build the world's best power and a land of bliss for people where they are well off as the masters under the socialist system have faced a grave challenge of the hostile forces.

The anti-DPRK human rights resolution which had been rammed through the Third Committee of the United Nations General Assembly by the U.S. was finally adopted in a forcible manner at a plenary meeting of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly on Friday.

The resolution contains even the poisonous call for considering the matter of referring the human rights issue of the DPRK to the International Criminal Court, not content with malignantly hurting the DPRK policy for ensuring genuine human rights. It is the most vivid manifestation of the U.S. harsh, hostile policy towards the DPRK, aimed at isolating and stifling it at any cost.

Washington, in utter disregard of the procedures and regulations of the United Nations, staged a farce of making the human rights issue of the DPRK an official agenda item by instigating its followers at the United Nations Security Council even before the adoption of the resolution at the United Nations General Assembly. This fact clearly proves its dangerous politically motivated attempt to invent an excuse for mounting an invasion of the DPRK under the pretext of human rights.

Under the present serious situation, where the human rights issue of an individual country was politicized at the United Nations to make a dangerous precedent for abusing it for toppling the social system of the country and the human rights issue stands at the crossroads of genuine cooperation or war, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the DPRK solemnly clarifies its stand as follows:

First, the DPRK vehemently and categorically rejects the anti-DPRK human rights resolution rammed through the plenary meeting of the General Assembly by the hostile forces on the basis of plots, lies and fabrications and high-handed and arbitrary practices.

The resolution, which was fabricated on the basis of the misinformation, a collection of testimonies made by human scum bereft of even an iota of conscience and appearance as human beings, failing to witness the actual human rights performance in the DPRK, can never remain valid no matter where and by whom it was adopted.

Second, as the U.S. hostile policy towards the DPRK to mount an invasion of it under the excuse of human rights has become clear, the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula has lost its meaning.

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The U.S. has reduced to dead papers all the agreements it made with the DPRK, including the 19 September joint statement adopted at the six-party talks, in which the DPRK and the U.S. committed themselves to mutual respect for sovereignty and peaceful coexistence, from the moment it launched an all-out human rights showdown with the DPRK.

Third, the DPRK will take all the necessary measures, not bound to anything, to defend its sovereignty and security from the ever more undisguised moves of the U.S. to stifle it.

The DPRK will put increased spurs to its efforts to bolster up in every way its capability for self-defence, including nuclear force.

The service personnel and people of the DPRK will smash the hostile forces' reckless human rights racket through unprecedentedly toughest counteractions and firmly defend the socialist system, their life and soul.

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