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Note verbale dated 27 March 2019 from the Permanent Mission of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the State of Qatar to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [1718 \(2006\)](#) and, in reference to Security Council resolution [2397 \(2017\)](#), has the honour to transmit the following information to the Chair of the Committee as a midterm report pursuant to paragraph 8 of the aforementioned resolution:

- The Ministry of Administrative Development, Labour and Social Affairs and the Ministry of Interior of the State of Qatar have taken steps to cease the approval of work permits for workers from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and to end the renewal of residence permits for existing workers in the State of Qatar. All previously approved visas have been cancelled and residence permits have not been extended for workers from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
- As a result of the above-mentioned steps taken by the authorities of the State of Qatar, the number of nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea working in the State of Qatar decreased from 2,541 in January 2016 to 298 as at April 2018. The number further decreased to 150 workers at the end of June 2018. Consequently, the Government of the State of Qatar has repatriated more than half of the nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea working in the State of Qatar during the 12-month period starting from the date of adoption of resolution [2397 \(2017\)](#).
- The number of nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea working in the State of Qatar decreased from 150 workers, as reported to the Committee in July 2018, to 70 workers as at 25 March 2019.

The Government of the State of Qatar is therefore on track to repatriate all nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea working in the State of Qatar.

