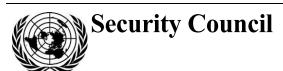
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# Note by the President of the Security Council

In paragraph 2 of resolution 2680 (2023), the Security Council requested the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1874 (2009) to provide a final report to the Council with its findings and recommendations. Accordingly, the President hereby circulates the report received from the Panel of Experts (see annex).



# Annex

# Letter dated 4 March 2024 from the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1874 (2009) addressed to the President of the Security Council

The Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1874 (2009) has the honour to transmit herewith, in accordance with paragraph 2 of Council resolution 2680 (2023), the final report on its work.

The attached report was provided to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) on 2 February 2024 and was considered by the Committee on 21 February 2024.

The Panel would appreciate it if the present letter and the report were brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and issued as a document of the Council.

Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1874 (2009)

## **Enclosure**

Letter dated 2 February 2024 from the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1874 (2009) addressed to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)

The Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1874 (2009) has the honour to transmit herewith, in accordance with paragraph 2 of Council resolution 2680 (2023), the final report on its work.

The Panel would appreciate it if the present and the report were brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006).

Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1874 (2009)

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# Summary

During the reporting period, between July 2023 and January 2024, military and political tensions on the Korean Peninsula further increased.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea continued to flout Security Council sanctions. It further developed nuclear weapons and produced nuclear fissile materials, although its last known nuclear test took place in 2017. The light water reactor appeared to be operational at the Yongbyon site and activities at the Punggye-ri nuclear test site continued. At least seven ballistic missiles (one three-stage intercontinental ballistic missile, one possible intermediate-range ballistic missile and five short-range ballistic missiles) were launched. After two failed attempts, the country successfully placed a military observation satellite into orbit using ballistic missile technology. A "tactical nuclear attack submarine" was added to its missile arsenal (a retrofitted diesel submarine). The Panel of Experts continued to investigate intangible transfers of technology, potentially in violation of sanctions.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea continues violations of maritime sanctions. The Panel reviewed information that the country continues to import refined petroleum products in violation of Security Council resolutions. The present report contains a summary of the methods by which the country and its facilitators continue to evade sanctions in the maritime area using combinations of obfuscation methods.

Trade continues to recover. The overall recorded trade volume for 2023 surpassed the total for 2022, accompanied by the reappearance of a large variety of foreign consumer goods, some of which could be classified as luxury items.

The Panel is investigating reports from Member States about supplies by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea of conventional arms and munitions in contravention of sanctions.

The Panel is investigating 58 suspected cyberattacks by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on cryptocurrency-related companies between 2017 and 2023, valued at approximately \$3 billion, which reportedly help to fund the country's development of weapons of mass destruction. The high volume of cyberattacks by hacking groups subordinate to the Reconnaissance General Bureau reportedly continued. Trends include targeting defence companies and supply chains and, increasingly, sharing infrastructure and tools.

The Panel investigated reports of numerous Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals working overseas earning income in violation of sanctions, including in the information technology, restaurant and construction sectors.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea continues to access the international financial system and engage in illicit financial operations in violation of Security Council resolutions. The Panel investigated cases of the country's financial institutions and representatives reportedly operating abroad, joint ventures and cooperative entities, and illicit wildlife trafficking.

The Panel noted that there can be little doubt that United Nations sanctions and their implementation have unintentionally affected the humanitarian situation and some aspects of aid operations, although their relative role remains impossible to disaggregate from many other factors. Most observers continued to assess that the humanitarian situation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea further deteriorated. Humanitarian actors reported a number of barriers to providing aid inside the country.

The Panel notes that the content of the report reflects contributions from Member States and other sources and will greatly welcome further support in this respect.

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<sup>\*\*</sup> The annexes are being circulated in the language of submission only and without formal editing.

# I. Introduction

1. In paragraph 2 of resolution 2680 (2023), the Security Council requested that the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1874 (2009) provide to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) a final report with findings and recommendations. Unless otherwise noted, information in the present report covers the period from 29 July 2023 to 26 January 2024. <sup>1</sup>

# II. Activities related to the nuclear and ballistic missile programmes

#### Nuclear

2. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea continued activities related to the development of nuclear weapons and the production of nuclear fissile materials in violation of Security Council resolutions, although no nuclear test has been detected since September 2017.

Tactical nuclear weapons development: cruise missiles

- 3. Continuing a pattern established following the Eighth Congress of the Workers Party in January 2021, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea conducted multiple tests of nuclear delivery systems using ballistic missile technologies during the reporting period (see paras. 20 and 21).
- 4. The country reportedly launched two cruise missiles as "a firing drill for simulated tactical nuclear attack" on 2 September. <sup>2</sup> The development of cruise missiles since 2021, as well as the display of the purported tactical nuclear weapon Hwasan-31 in March 2023, underline the country's efforts to develop a tactical nuclear weapons programme. <sup>3</sup> A Member State stated that "the technical challenges in terms of materials and manufacturing of a turbofan engine [for a cruise missile] highly likely indicate external assistance". <sup>4</sup>

Yongbyon site

Light water reactor

- 5. The Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) stated on 22 November that "since mid-October 2023, a strong water outflow has been observed from the [light water reactor] cooling system. These observations are consistent with the commissioning of the [light water reactor]". He further stated on 21 December that "recent observations indicate that this water discharge is warm. ... The discharge of warm water is indicative the reactor has reached criticality" (see annex 1).
- 6. The Panel corroborated this observation. A significant amount of water discharge near the Kuryong River became visible in early October and constant water discharge has been observed since mid-October. The Panel has seen at least two discharging points (north and south). The recent steady water discharge was detected at the southern point, while traces of effluent into the Kuryong River have been often

<sup>1</sup> All text redactions in the report are marked by black boxes or pixelations to prevent the physical identification of individuals.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Rodong Shinmun, 3 September 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> S/2023/656, paras. 3 and 4 and annex 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> S/2022/132, paras. 26–28 and annex 28-5.

observed at the northern point since July 2022.<sup>5</sup> A Member State assessed that steady water discharges would indicate regular operation of the reactor.

- 7. The Director General of IAEA also stated that the light water reactor, "like any nuclear reactor, can produce plutonium in its irradiated fuel". One Member State assessed that the reactor's initial operations are likely to be sporadic, and another Member State assessed that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea "has neither expertise nor materials to validate their reactor and perhaps they are having to deal with regular failures". Given the potential capability of the reactor to produce additional nuclear fissile materials and tritium, which could be used for advanced nuclear weapons, the Panel remains vigilant about the relevant activities and operational status of the reactor.
- 8. Several construction activities continued around the light water reactor, and the intensive construction of buildings in the area at the far south of the reactor has continued since early 2023. However, the purpose of the buildings is unknown (see annex 2).

Figure I Water discharge from the light water reactor



Source: Planet Labs, 17 December 2023.

Yongbyon experimental nuclear power plant (5 MW(e))

9. The Panel continued to observe cooling water discharge from the reactor, except for intermittent interruptions between mid-September and mid-October, indicating that the reactor was shut down during this period. Several vehicular activities were also observed near the reactor. Possible steam venting from the turbine hall located next to the reactor building was observed in December and January (see annex 3).

# Radiochemical laboratory

10. The Panel observed smoke from the chimney of the thermal plant in late July. Owing to intermittent emissions, this seems to be related to waste treatment or maintenance activities. The Panel observed small-scale excavation and probable crates adjacent to the suspected nuclear storage (late June), and road construction and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Intermittent water discharge from the northern point was previously reported by the Panel (see S/2023/171, para. 8 and annex 3, and S/2023/656, para. 6 and annex 3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The shutdown was possibly related to reactor maintenance.

trenching works between the building and neighbouring reprocessing facility (October–November). Satellite images showed no significant changes at another suspected nuclear waste storage site that was excavated in March, located north-east of the laboratory (see annex 4).<sup>7</sup>

#### Yongbyon nuclear fuel rod fabrication plant

11. IAEA reported on 22 November that there were indications of ongoing operations of the centrifuge enrichment facility and its annex. 8 The Panel also observed, occasionally, possible indications near the buildings. No smoke was observed by the Panel from the uranium dioxide production process building during the reporting period, indicating that conversion from yellowcake to uranium dioxide was not under way at this building. 9 A Member State assessed that required materials had been stockpiled and renovation would not have affected the uranium enrichment programme (see annex 5).

#### Pyongsan uranium mine and concentration plant

12. A Member State assessed that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea obtains sufficient uranium ore to support its nuclear weapons programme but would need to expand its uranium mining capacity to support a nuclear power programme. Satellite imagery shows continuing expansion of piles of tailings at one of the uranium mines and solid waste at the tailings pond, which indicates that the plant is operational. Regular railcar activities at the plant have been observed (see annex 6).

#### Punggye-ri test site

13. Satellite images captured between July and December showed minor activities at the site. Tracks of vehicles were observed around the administrative area and the command centre in December and January (see annex 7).

#### Other sites

14. The Panel continues to monitor activities in the vicinity of Kangson and the Yongdoktong area (see annex 8).

#### **Ballistic missiles**

- 15. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea continued to flout Security Council resolutions by launching ballistic missiles (see annex 9) and satellite launchers, commissioning a purported ballistic missile submarine and publicizing these events (see annex 10) and the standardization of ballistic missile manufacturing.
- 16. Based on observations and information from several Member States, the Panel assesses that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has advanced its ballistic missile programme in the following areas:
- (a) Performance, i.e. reliability, manoeuvrability and precision while maintaining range;
- (b) Cold launches, i.e. the expulsion of a missile from a tube while protecting its nozzle or nozzles (see annex 11–12);
  - (c) Air bursts (possibly), i.e. detonation above ground at a calculated altitude;

 $^{7}$  Also known as the "old waste site". See also S/2023/656, para. 8 and annex 5-1.

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<sup>8</sup> See www.iaea.org/newscenter/statements/iaea-director-generals-introductory-statement-to-the-board-of-governors-22-november-2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> S/2023/656, annex 6-2.

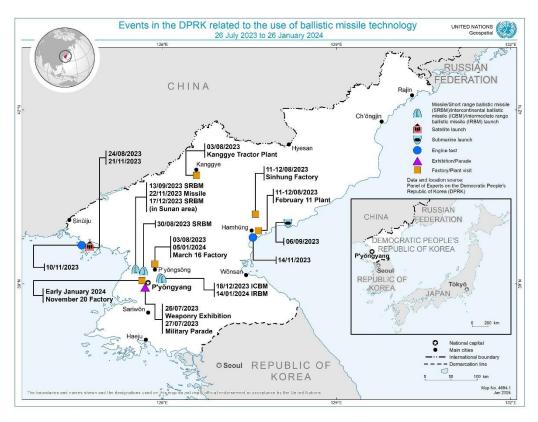
- (d) Tractor erector launcher (TEL) manufacturing;
- (e) Survivability, sustained by a variety of platforms, geographical dispersion and mobility;
- (f) Preparedness, given numerous references by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to "drills" and the stockpiling of missiles.
- 17. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has displayed an increasingly credible short-range ballistic missile (SRBM)<sup>10</sup> arsenal. Its solid propellant SRBMs exhibited aerodynamic flight at lower altitudes and in-flight manoeuvres<sup>11</sup> while entering serial production.
- 18. These developments came after a weaponry exhibition and a military parade in Pyongyang (see annex 10). They follow a "five-year plan for the development of science and the weapon system" laid out by Kim Jong Un in January 2021 at the Eighth Congress of the Workers Party.<sup>12</sup>
- 19. In addition to intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBMs), the Democratic People's Republic of Korea stated that the SRBMs that it launched, as well as the new "tactical nuclear attack submarine", could serve as delivery systems for nuclear warheads, thereby putting the onus on an adversary to discriminate, and possibly mistake, a conventional tactical ballistic missile for a nuclear-tipped one. Two Hwasong-11Na (Hwasong-11B, KN-24) SRBMs were fired on 30 August in an apparent tactical nuclear strike drill, underlining this issue (see annex 13). These developments suggest that the country relies on warhead ambiguity to increase its deterrence.

The Panel uses the following: short-range ballistic missiles (SRBM), medium-range ballistic missiles (MRBM)/intermediate-range ballistic missiles (IRBM), intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBM), submarine-launched ballistic missiles (SLBM). Other known designations of missile systems follow the main designation, in brackets, e.g. "Hwasong-11Ga (Hwasong-11A, KN-23)".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The Hwasong-18 ICBM also followed an irregular trajectory that could offset early calculations of its destination on 12 July when it followed a maximum range trajectory before pulling up on a lofted trajectory.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> S/2021/211, para. 17.

Figure II
Recent events in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea related to the use of ballistic missile technology



Source: The Panel.

# Missile launches and engine tests

20. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea conducted a third launch of a Hwasong-18 three-stage ICBM in 2023, on 18 December, on a lofted trajectory to prevent the stages from falling in neighbouring States' waters. This demonstrated its sustained burn rate and potential range. A Member State reported that the missile peaked at 6,000 km before landing 1,000 km from the launch point in the sea east of the Korean Peninsula. The Panel identified the location of the launch (see annexes 11 and 12). The selection of this site may be owing to concerns that the TEL can move only on road infrastructure already tested, possibly reinforced, in an area deemed fit to accommodate support vehicles. The launch, conducted under the authority of the Missile General Bureau, 13 was a demonstration of the relative mobility 14 of the Hwasong-18 (liquid-propellant ICBMs are confined to Sunan International Airport), its level ground, fuelling and storage infrastructure, its reliability and command of stage separation. Some outside experts estimated the missile to be up to 23.5 m long, weighing between 54 and 61 tons, and suggested that its apparently rapid development was owing to the replication of some foreign missile features and technology, notably pertaining to cold-launches. 15

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> S/2023/656, para. 16 and annex 1.

<sup>14</sup> Ibid., para. 14.

See annex 12 and www.nonproliferation.eu/hcoc/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/NORTH-KOREAN-SHORT-RANGE-SYSTEMS.pdf.

Figure III

Hwasong-18 intercontinental ballistic missile launch, 18 December 2023



Source: Korean Central News Agency.

Figure IV Locations of the Hwasong-18 intercontinental ballistic missile launches, 20 km north-east of Pyongyang



Source: Maxar, annotated by the Panel.

21. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea launched SRBMs on 30 August, 13 September and 17 December, and a possible solid-propellant intermediate-range ballistic missile on 14 January (see annex 23).

BALLISTIC MISSILES LAUNCHED BY THE DPRK FROM 2018 TO JANUARY 2024 ■ SRBM ■ MRBM/IRBM ■ ICBM ■ SLBM Space launcher ~73 2 70 60 6 40 33 3 30 ~57 25 11 25 24 6 11

Figure V
Ballistic missiles launched by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Abbreviations: ICBM, intercontinental ballistic missile; IRBM, intermediate-range ballistic missile; MRBM, medium-range ballistic missile; SLBM, submarine-launched ballistic missile; SRBM, short-range ballistic missile.

Source: The Panel.

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#### Military observation satellite

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22. After two failed launches on 31 May and 24 August 2023 (see annex 14), the newly renamed National Aerospace Technology Administration (formerly the National Aerospace Development Administration) succeeded on 21 November in putting a military observation satellite into sub-synchronous orbit (see annex 15). Prior to the launch on 24 August, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea warned the Japanese coast guard, the NAVAREA coordinator, of the area of the anticipated fall of the Chollima-1 launcher, but not the International Maritime Organization (IMO), <sup>16</sup> the International Civil Aviation Organization or the International Telecommunication Union.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> It had given prior notice to IMO of the first launch, which took place on 30 May 2023 (see S/2023/656, para. 21).

- 23. The Panel has enquired and awaits the conclusion of the investigations by the Government of the Republic of Korea of debris recovered from the first failed launch.
- 24. The latest public data<sup>17</sup> show that on 26 January the Malligyong-1 satellite was still in a stable 512 km x 488 km orbit. As at 26 January, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea had not registered the satellite with the Office for Outer Space Affairs. Kim Jong Un announced plans to launch three more satellites in 2024 (see annex 15).
- 25. The country's space programme draws from its ballistic missile programme, as shown in previous reports of the Panel, <sup>18</sup> and demonstrated in this instance by the use of analogue propulsion: the first stage of the Chollima-1 space launcher on 21 November was powered by an assessed liquid-fuel twin-chamber engine similar to the RD-250<sup>19</sup> (a "Paektusan"-type engine in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea classification), in a combination of two engines and four nozzles, similar to the first stage of a Hwasong-17 ICBM. The prominent presence at the launch of two key figures in the country's ballistic programme, Kim Jong Sik (KPe.066), Vice-Director of the Munitions Industry Department (KPe.028), <sup>20</sup> and Chang Chang Ha (KPe.037), head of the Missile General Bureau, also points to strong crossover between the programmes (see para. 30). Conversely, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea indicated that the Malligyong-1 would support its claimed<sup>21</sup> ICBM capability.

Figure VI Launch of the Chollima-1 on 21 November 2023: focus on the liquid-fuel engine four-nozzle exhaust



Source: Korean Central Television and Korean Central News Agency.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See www.space-track.org.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> See, for example, S/2013/337.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> See annex 16; S/2021/211, para. 17; and S/2018/171, paras. 13 and 14.

The Panel reported on the involvement of the Munitions Industry Department in the Unha-3 project (see S/2013/337, para. 37).

<sup>21</sup> It would take a "minimum energy" trajectory, with its atmosphere re-entry conditions, to ascertain it.

Figure VII

Official poster of the Malligyong-1 hovering above Hwasong-17 and Hwasong-18 intercontinental ballistic missiles



Source: Korean Central News Agency (unofficial translation: "an eye that can see from a distance, a strong fist that can beat anyone to the ground").

#### Ballistic missile submarine commissioning

- 26. On 6 September, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea commissioned a redesigned submarine from the Sinpo (also known as Pongdae) shipyard, the 841 Hero Kim Kun Ok (also known as the 841), derived from a Romeo-class submarine with a section added in the middle to accommodate 10 vertical-launch missiles. It is the country's second submarine designed to fire ballistic missiles, after the 8.24 Yongung, first seen in 2014. Exim Jong Un attended the event and labelled the 841 a "tactical nuclear submarine", in reference to its complement of missiles, rather than its propulsion, which is standard diesel (see annex 17).
- 27. The 841's scafaring capabilities have not yet been ascertained through sea trials, and its ability to carry out and withstand a ballistic missile launch, underwater or above the surface, remains hypothetical.
- 28. Kim Jong Un announced that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea intended to similarly retrofit its entire fleet of Romeo-class submarines, turning them into as many mobile missile launch platforms, like TELs, further complicating the tracking of ballistic missile launch points. The 841, and the boastful announcements about fleet enhancements<sup>23</sup> and a long-term "nuclear" submarine programme, seem intended to enhance perceptions of the country's capabilities.

#### Other events relating to ballistic missile technology

29. Kim Jong Un visited factories involved in the production of ballistic missiles in August and January. He called for increases in TEL and missile production (see annexes 18–21). The country's TEL production capability had visibly improved (see annex 18). Large numbers of casings for Hwasong-11 series SRBMs were visible.

# Activities of key officials

30. The Panel noted the presence of Ri Pyong Chul (KPi.076), Kim Jong Sik (KPi.066) and Chang Chang Ha (KPi.037) in the Russian Federation between 13 and 17 September as part of Kim Jong Un's delegation. Cho Chun Ryong (KPi.038) was also reportedly part of the delegation. The Panel enquired to the Russian Federation

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> S/2012/150, para. 40.

Only two shipyards are suitable for the task. One Member State estimates that it would take over 30 years to complete.

about this instance of non-compliance with the relevant Security Council resolutions and awaits its reply.

Table 1

Presence at public events of officials involved in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea ballistic missile programme

	Ri Pyong Chol KPi.076	Pak Jong Chon	Cho Chun Ryong KPi.038	Kim Jong Sik KPi.066	Chang Chang Ha KPi.037
Weaponry Exhibition 26 July 2023	•				
Military parade main stand 27 July 2023	•				
Tour of weapons factories 3 to 12 August 2023		•	•	•	
Tour of naval facilities 3 September 2023			•		
Hero Kim Jung Hok submarine launch 6 September 2023	•	•			
Official visit to the Russian Federation 13 to 16 September 2023	•	•	•	•	•
Chollima-1 SLV launch 21 November 2023				•	•
Visits to the NATA General Control Center 22/24 November 2023				•	
ICBM launch (Hwasong-18) 19 December 2023				•	•
Inspection of TEL factories 5 to 10 January 2024			•	•	•

Abbreviations: ICBM, intercontinental ballistic missile; NATA, National Aerospace Technology Administration; SLV, satellite launch vehicle; TEL, tractor erector launcher.

Source: Korean Central News Agency, Agence France-Presse and Russia 24 reports, analysed by the Panel.

Note: Pak Jong Chon, the former Chief of Staff of the General Staff of the Korean People's Army, was elected Vice-Chair of the Central Military Commission of the Workers' Party in December, a position that he had previously held.

#### Procurement

31. The Panel received information from two Member States that Choe Chol Min,<sup>24</sup> a national of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, reported to be a representative of the Second Academy of Natural Sciences (KPe.018), together with his wife, Choe Un Jong,<sup>25</sup> were involved in the acquisition of materials used in the production of ballistic missiles on behalf of the Democratic People's Republic of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Choe Chol Min (최철민); date of birth: 3 April 1978; passport No.: 108410050 (expiration date: 19 October 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Choe Un Jong, also known as Ch'oe, U'n-cho'ng; date of birth: 10 May 1978; passport Nos.: 108410051 and 654110020 (expiration date: 21 January 2019).

Korea. Reportedly, Mr. Choe was, among other activities in 2023, involved in attempts to buy inertial measurement units. His wife's activities reportedly included coordinating, with associates at the Second Academy of Natural Sciences, at least one order of dual-use ball bearings.<sup>26</sup> Investigations continue.

- 32. The Panel assesses that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has increased its self-sufficiency in the manufacture of equipment and components for the production of ballistic missiles. Outside experts note, in particular, that the country can flow-form casings in large numbers and that it may have reached a stage of manufacturing complex metal parts for missiles, including impellers for turbopumps. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea is capable of manufacturing missile airframes and TELs (see annexes 18–21), owing again to flow-forming machinery (see annex 19) and possibly high-skill tungsten inert gas welding means, as noted by a Member State.
- 33. The Panel assesses that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is unlikely to be able to manufacture high-grade carbon fibre.<sup>27</sup> Common lower-grade carbon fibre would, however, satisfy most of the country's requirements for its current ballistic missile arsenal. A Member State said the Democratic People's Republic of Korea likely continues to need to import specialty steels and aluminium.
- 34. A Member State informed the Panel that in 2022 agents of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea tried to acquire aluminium powder and metal alloys abroad for its ballistic missile programme, and that in 2023 the Second Academy of Natural Sciences sought to import multiple tons of AlMg6, an aluminium-magnesium alloy, as well as stainless steel sheets.
- 35. In the light of successful launches of Hwasong-18 ICBMs and the operationalization of its more recent SRBMs, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea will need solid-propellant materials in great volumes as well as know-how relating notably to the mixing, casting and curing of solid propellant. It is unclear if, how and where precisely it would manufacture large quantities of high-quality aluminium powder and aluminium perchlorate, though related activity has been known to occur at the broad industrial complex in Hamhung. <sup>28</sup> It likely remains dependent on foreign procurement for the acquisition of hydroxyl-terminated polybutadiene binder.
- 36. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea may focus increasingly on the accuracy of its ballistic missiles, especially of its shorter-range arsenal, which, in combination with goals to produce large numbers of SRBMs, will drive a need for foreign-procured high-quality gyroscopes, accelerometers, complete inertial measurement units and electronics.
- 37. The Panel has developed a schema of some critical items that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea needs for its ballistic missile programme, either manufactured domestically or imported (see figure VIII).

<sup>26</sup> See https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy1539 and www.state.gov/designation-of-two-dprk-individuals-supporting-the-dprks-unlawful-weapons-of-mass-destruction-and-missile-programs.

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<sup>27</sup> This material can be used in motor casings and airframes. The market for it is concentrated among known manufacturers and its pricing has risen sharply in the recent past, making it more difficult to acquire.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> S/2019/691, annex 32.

# Overview of critical items needed by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for its ballistic missile programme

In bold: identified target of DPRK international procurement between 2018 and 2023.

Propellant	Engi	ne and airframe	Guidance	Stabilization and Thrust Vector Control		n Post-boost and reentry vehicles
Zirconium, beryllium, boron, Mg powders     Perchlorate oxidizers     Oxidizer precursors including sodium perchlorate     HTPB binder     Metal-powder production and shaping equipment     Mixers     SP casting tools     Mandrels	<ul> <li>High-grade steel</li> <li>Stainless steel</li> <li>Carbon composite for nozzles</li> <li>Ball bearings</li> <li>Turbopumps</li> <li>Impellers for turbopumps</li> <li>Rubber case insulation</li> <li>Pressuring gas</li> <li>Servo valves</li> <li>To and pressure sensors</li> </ul>	Carbon and aramid fiber for cases and frames Acrylonitrile precursor and polymerization reactors Spinning machines, nozzles or "spinnerets" Carbonization furnaces Filament winding machines Tape laying machines Kevlar fiber Isostatic presses Flow-forming machines Laser alignment instruments	Inertial Measurement Units     Accelerometers     Gyroscopes     Gyro-astro compasses     GNSS receiver     Integrated nav. system     Electronics     Software     Computer	Vernier engines     Actuators     Jet vane material     e.g., carbon, tungsten.     Software	High-grade steel     Separation mechanisms     Explosive bolts	Heat shield material incl. fine grain graphite Heat sink material Rayon material / Lyocell Spin systems Countermeasures SAFF subsystems Telemetry units Sensors EMP protected circuits  Heat and shock-resistant
Liquid oxidizers incl. nitrogen tetroxide     HMX/RDX explosives	•		— CNC machines <sup>2</sup> —			•

Abbreviations: CNC, computer numerical control; EMP, electromagnetic pulse; GNSS, Global Navigation Satellite System; HMX, high melting explosive (also known as octogen); HTPB, hydroxyl-terminated polybutadiene; MMH, monomethylhydrazine; RDX, research department explosive (also known as hexogen); SAFF, safing, arming, fuzing and firing; SP, solid-propellant; UDMH, unsymmetrical dimethylhydrazine;

Notes: See also S/2014/253. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea is also known to seek the formal and tacit knowledge associated with the use of these items/machines. Source: the Panel; S/2014/253; consultations with think tanks and Member States; and the advisory issued by the Government of the United States of America in 2020 on ballistic missile procurement by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The procurement cases in the figure are in S/2019/691, para. 80 and annex 32; S/2020/151, annex 66; S/2020/840, annex 6; S/2021/777, para. 21; and S/2022/132, paras. 26, 29 and 30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies assesses that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea uses flow-forming processes to shape the metal airframes of the Hwasong-11/KN23 range of SRBMs and the "super-large rocket 600 mm"/KN25.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Computer numerical control machine tools can be seen in the background of Kim Jong Un's visits, notably at the Kanggye tractor plant and at the Thaesong machine factory, which has a 5-axis computer numerical control machine that the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies assesses to be foreign-made.

#### Recommendations

- 38. The Panel recommends updating the designation of the National Aerospace Development Administration (KPe.029) to reflect its new name: National Aerospace Technology Administration.
- 39. The Panel recommends the designation, in accordance with paragraph 27 of Security Council resolution 2094 (2013) and paragraph 43 of resolution 2270 (2016), of the Missile General Bureau of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
- 40. The Panel recommends that Member States pursue their investigations of Choe Chol Min's and Choe Un Jong's activities and, if warranted, implement the provisions of paragraphs 13 and 14 of Security Council resolution 2270 (2016), as applicable.
- 41. The Panel encourages Member States to redouble their efforts in preventing the supply of prohibited items to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and take into consideration the information in figure VIII when monitoring transactions that could fall under the catch-all provision of paragraph 27 of Security Council resolution 2270 (2016).

# Intangible transfer of technology and activities of Democratic People's Republic of Korea universities

- 42. The Panel continues to investigate intangible transfers of technology in fields of activity covered by paragraph 11 of Security Council resolution 2321 (2016).
- 43. Kim Jong Un visited the Far Eastern Federal University in Vladivostok, Russian Federation, in September (see annex 24). To the Panel's enquiry, the Russian Federation replied that there are no academic exchanges between the University and Democratic People's Republic of Korea institutions and that the only students are children of consular officers who study humanities (see annex 25).
- 44. Democratic People's Republic of Korea media announced that Pyongyang University of Mechanical Engineering and Interamericana University in Mexico signed an agreement on friendship and cooperation in September (see annex 26). To the Panel's enquiry, the University replied that it had cancelled the agreement in December (see annex 27).
- 45. Further to the case of a Democratic People's Republic of Korea researcher employed by a research institute in Sweden since 2020, <sup>29</sup> the Swedish Migration Agency notified the Panel that the researcher had left Sweden (see annex 28).

# III. Sectoral and maritime sanctions

#### Supply of refined petroleum<sup>30</sup>

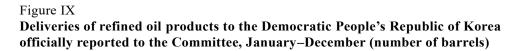
46. By the end of December, about 48 per cent of the permitted 2023 annual cap volume of 500,000 barrels of refined petroleum products had been officially reported by two Member States to the Committee (see figure IX).

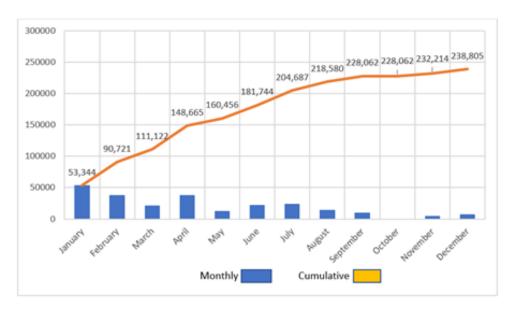
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> S/2023/656, para. 26 and annex 26.

<sup>30</sup> Information in this section and the accompanying annexes, including vessel-related information such as flag and ownership, is relevant as of November or whichever date the information was provided to the Panel. It may not capture updates to the IMO Global Integrated Shipping Information System or other maritime databases, which may contain retroactive information that has been subsequently entered.





Source: the Panel and www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1718/supply-sale-or-transfer-of-all-refined-petroleum.

- 47. Fifty-five Member States wrote to the Committee on 21 November requesting that action be taken because the cap on deliveries of oil to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea had been breached. According to the report, Democratic People's Republic of Korea-registered tankers made 87 deliveries of refined oil products to the ports of Nampo (the majority), Hungnam, Chonjin and Songnim between 1 January and 15 September 2023. The Member States estimated that if fully laden (90 per cent of their deadweight tonnage), the vessels involved would have delivered 1,523,381 barrels of refined petroleum products by 15 September. If at 60 per cent of their deadweight tonnage, 1,015,588 barrels of refined petroleum products would have been delivered by 15 September (see annex 29). Two Committee members disagreed with the proposal that the Committee take action on the grounds of a lack of solid evidence for the conclusions of the report (see annex 30).
- 48. In accordance with the letter, the Panel reviewed the Member States' analysis (see annex 31). The Panel also notes that it is currently unable to distinguish between licit deliveries of refined petroleum products reported to the Committee and illicit deliveries. Some of the 87 deliveries recorded in that letter may have been reported to the Committee.

# Illicit maritime activities

- 49. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea and its facilitators continue to use a combination of obfuscation methods to evade sanctions. The use of non-IMO numbered smaller coastal vessels to transfer oil cargo between tankers has significantly heightened the difficulty of tracing and identifying the chain of ship-to-ship oil supply.
- 50. Democratic People's Republic of Korea tankers continue to smuggle refined petroleum (see annex 29). Some of these tankers are also recorded on maritime databases to be travelling further south than in previous years. For example, the Panel tracked the designated Democratic People's Republic of Korea tanker *Chon Ma San*

(IMO: 8660313), sailing as *Chong Du San*, transiting southwards through the East China Sea on a near monthly basis between March and October, an unusual occurrence for Democratic People's Republic of Korea tankers, before losing automatic identification system (AIS) transmission in the Taiwan Strait (see annex 32). Given the Panel's past documentation of *Chon Ma San*'s activities conducting ship-to-ship transfers, it is highly likely that the vessel was sailing to load illicit oil cargo. *Chon Ma San* was reported as delivering oil cargo at Nampo port on four occasions in 2023 (see annex 29).

51. According to a Member State, between April and September 2023, Democratic People's Republic of Korea tankers transiting south predominantly into the Taiwan Strait (see table 2, yellow highlighting) were doing so at an increased frequency, four to five times per month instead of between none and five transits per month, as in the preceding six months. The Panel assesses that this could indicate a shift in the trading pattern of Democratic People's Republic of Korea tankers travelling farther to receive oil cargo, given the dwindling number of former foreign direct delivery vessels<sup>31</sup> from a larger fleet first reported by the Panel in 2020. <sup>32</sup> *Unica* (IMO: 8514306) and *New Konk* (IMO: 9036387), the two foreign direct delivery vessels that have continued to support the illicit procurement runs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, have been reported by a Member State to have been non-operational for a period in the second and third quarters of 2023, possibly due to engine issues.

Table 2

Democratic People's Republic of Korea tankers transiting south of 32N, 1 April to 15 September

DPRK tankers south of 32N						
April	May	June	July	August	September	
CHON MA SAN	CHIL BO SAN	CHIL BO SAN	CHOL BONG SAN 1	WO SHUN	RON PHUNG	
UN HUNG 8	HAI JUN (ASABONG)	CHON MA SAN	NAM DAE BONG	SIN PHYONG 2	AN SAN 1	
WO SHUN	SONG WON	CHOL BONG SAN 1	UN HUNG 8 (YUN HONG 8)	CHOL BONG SAN 1	CHIL BO SAN	
CHOL BONG SAN 1	CHON MA SAN		WO SHUN	SAM MA	UN HUNG 8 (YUN HONG 8)	
CHIL BO SAN	SIN PHYONG 11			RON PHUNG		
HAI JUN (ASABONG)				SIN PYONG 5		

Source: Member State.

- 52. Both *Unica* and *New Konk* have continued to cycle through the falsified identifiers previously reported. Other Democratic People's Republic of Korea vessels spoofing falsified identifiers or using previous identifiers are described in annex 33.
- 53. Apart from continuing to illicitly import refined petroleum, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has also continued the maritime import of other illicit items. The Panel has continued to investigate the maritime export of Democratic People's Republic of Korea-origin coal (see S/2023/656, paras. 72–74) and other commodities. The country has continued to enhance its fleet by acquiring more foreign vessels, the sale to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea of which (as used and new vessels) is prohibited.

#### Affected waters

54. Illicit ship-to-ship transfer areas in 2023 remained consistent overall, as in 2022 (see figures X and XI), with a concentration of activity in the second quarter of 2023 in the Korea Bay area. Most ship-to-ship transfers continue in territorial waters. Ship-

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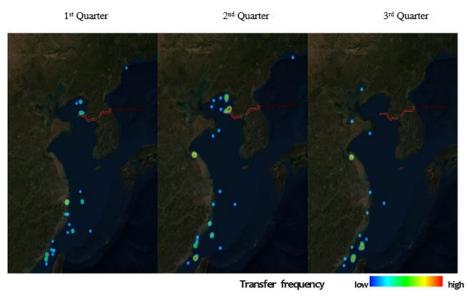
This term is used to describe non-Democratic People's Republic of Korea tankers that delivered refined petroleum at the country's ports before the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> S/2020/151, paras. 10–27.

to-ship transfers in 2023 have been less concentrated in the West Sea Barrage area, with an increased concentration further south.

Figure X

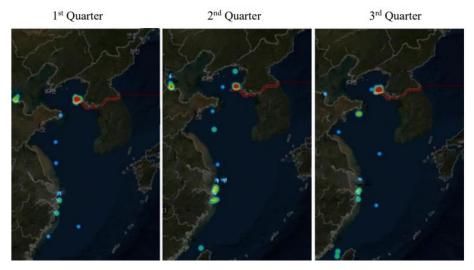
Democratic People's Republic of Korea illicit ship-to-ship transfer areas, 2023



Source: Member State.

Figure XI

Democratic People's Republic of Korea illicit ship-to-ship transfer areas, 2022



Source: Member State.

# Maritime sanctions evasion methods

55. Over the years, the Panel has observed the evolution of a variety of evasion techniques used by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and its facilitators to circumvent sanctions.

56. Awareness and monitoring of these indicators, coupled with a risk-based approach, would assist with compliance and combat sanctions evasion. Key evasion methods observed by the Panel in its investigations over time are described below.

#### Identifier and automatic identification system manipulation

- 57. The Panel continues to observe suspect vessels transmitting falsified or inconsistent identifiers on AIS and reporting false destinations. Suspect vessels trading in restricted or banned commodities and exhibiting AIS transmission gaps continue to sail in and around waters where illicit ship-to-ship activities typically occur. Such indicators may provide grounds for further investigations by the relevant public and private sector parties of the vessels that they flag, charter, operate, insure, class or finance.
- 58. Few, if any, non-Democratic People's Republic of Korea vessels appear to transmit AIS signals in the country's waters, based on commercial maritime database platforms. Suspect vessels have been observed to drop their AIS signals while sailing towards the country and retransmitting once back in non-Democratic People's Republic of Korea waters. To obscure the connection with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, complicit actors also falsify shipping documentation to conceal the cargo's origin or destination.

#### Location tampering

59. Complicit actors have manipulated the location of their ships using a variety of increasingly sophisticated spoofing techniques. Ship spoofing observed by the Panel involved using another ship's identity to transmit false positional data to appear at another location. More recently, suspect ships have used a more sophisticated form of location tampering by geo-spoofing their positions, intentionally transmitting false global navigation satellite system signals causing a ship to provide incorrect time and location information, thus appearing to be elsewhere.

#### Other measures to avoid detection

60. Suspect vessels conduct ship-to-ship transfers at sea under darkness (dawn or dusk) to escape easy detection. These vessels have also been known to conduct shorter periods of ship-to-ship transfers, drop AIS signals during transfers, use code words or block AIS signals to mask their activity.

#### Vessel identity laundering

- 61. Beyond tampering with a ship's digital identity, the Panel has documented several instances of complex vessel identity laundering that essentially involves an identity-swapping technique whereby a "clean" ship, previously having no record of conducting sanctioned activity, frees up its digital identity to a "dirty" ship to enable the latter to continue to evade sanctions. To do so, the "clean" ship undergoes physical alteration and passes itself off as a newly-built ship to obtain a different IMO number under a false pretext, thereby sailing as a different vessel. It leaves its original AIS profile vacant on maritime databases for "dirty" ships to swap into.
- 62. This elaborate technique was used to free up laundered identities for former direct delivery vessels that could no longer sail on their assigned identifiers. As these vacated AIS profiles are no longer attached to the actual physical ship, more than one vessel can utilize the same AIS digital profile, further complicating ship identification.

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#### Vessel disguise

63. Without resorting to complex and time-consuming vessel disguise, many Democratic People's Republic of Korea and suspect vessels alter their physical appearance, ranging from paint-overs of ship names and IMO numbers with different identifiers to changing the ship colour scheme in order to appear different.

# Reconfigured cargo ships

64. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has been known to disguise vessel types by reconfiguring some of its cargo ships illegally to transport oil products. Such ship-to-ship transfers between a cargo ship and a tanker would be mistakenly identified as bunkering instead of transporting oil cargo (see annex 34).

### Flagging

- 65. Foreign-flagged vessels that conduct sanctionable activities have been recorded as falsely flagged (see para. 67) or have physically flown a flag without proper authorization. In other instances, these ships have continued to use a country's flag following removal from the ship registry. Suspect ships have also been known to change flag registries in quick succession ("flag-hopping") or have exploited the flag's provisional registration status to conduct illicit activity.
- 66. Vessels of interest that carry an unknown flag status and conduct illicit trade are suspected to have come under the control of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. In several instances, these vessels have been flagged under the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, but their flagging status was only updated at a much later stage.

#### Fraudulent registration of ships/registries of ships

67. Entities, purportedly authorized by a country's maritime authority, have issued fraudulent certifications of registration for ships. In other instances, ships have flown a flag of a State where no international registry has existed.

#### Falsified documentation

68. To obscure the connection with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, complicit actors falsify shipping documentation to conceal the ship's identity or conceal the origin or destination of its cargo. Documentation falsification ranges from using entirely faked documents to partially falsified documentation or simply using old shipping documentation.

## Multi-stage trans-shipment of refined petroleum

69. To complicate investigations into the oil supply chain of refined petroleum to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, oil cargo is trans-shipped in multiple stages using different ships. To increase the difficulty in tracing its chain of custody, non-IMO numbered ships are also used at some point in these transfers.

# Owners, operators and managers

70. Complicit actors continue to deceive and leverage shipping companies, corporate registration services, entities and individuals across multiple jurisdictions to facilitate the illicit activities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

- 71. The use of shell and shelf companies, <sup>33</sup> the layering of companies and the use of multiple intermediaries continue.
- 72. Complicit actors have been known not to submit updated owner and management information to the IMO. Other characteristics include complex ownership and management structures, the use of front companies and shell companies and engaging multiple intermediaries removed from the actual owner.
- 73. The use of corporate secretarial service providers or registered agents as contact points is common. On registration records, different and listed emails that appear to be throw-away (uncontactable) or listed to an employee's personal email are recurrent.
- 74. In tracing the ownership and management history of suspect vessels, some vessels show commercial relationships, linkages or shared corporate secretary addresses between their historical and current owners and/or managers. In several cases, previous managers have linkages with Democratic People's Republic of Korea-related shipping networks.
- 75. In a number of cases, the vessels' management companies manage or have managed other vessels with similar risk profiles. Vessels' registered owners may be incorporated in a variety of jurisdictions but typically list operating addresses in Asia.
- 76. Changes in the registered ownership of vessels typically occur before sanctioned activities are conducted.

#### Vessel acquisition

77. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has continued to acquire vessels, mostly cargo vessels. The country and its facilitators have exploited the business practice of how vessels are bought and sold, which includes the use of intermediaries, brokers and additional onward sale, to obscure its presence. The Panel stresses the importance of information provided by the jurisdictions under which these ships were last flagged or where the ship owners resided, prior to transfer under Democratic People's Republic of Korea ownership.

#### Trade statistics and customs issues

Analysis of Democratic People's Republic of Korea trade statistics

78. The available data<sup>34,35</sup> show that in 2023 the overall recorded trade volume of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea surpassed the total for 2022, while the trade volume for the first three quarters of the year reached around 51 per cent of the total trade volume for 2019 (see figure XII). Trade volume for the third quarter in 2023 was 76 per cent of the trade volume for the same period in 2019, and 186 per cent of that in 2022.

33 See www.fatf-gafi.org/content/dam/fatf-gafi/reports/FATF-Egmont-Concealment-beneficial-ownership.pdf (pages 58-60) and https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/2022-National-Money-Laundering-Risk-Assessment.pdf.

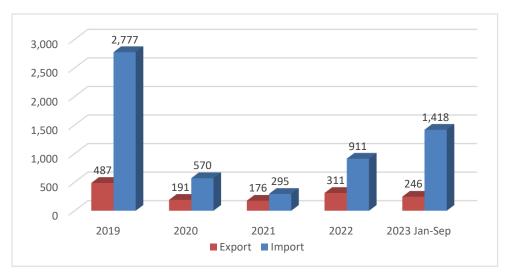
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> The overall trade statistics for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, available as at 1 January 2024, cover the period up to September 2023. These statistics will continue to change as more Member States report their trade with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to relevant trade statistics platforms such as the ITC trade map.

<sup>35</sup> The Panel notes cases in the published trade figures of erroneous country codes (see para. 83).

Figure XII Recorded trade of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, 2019–2023

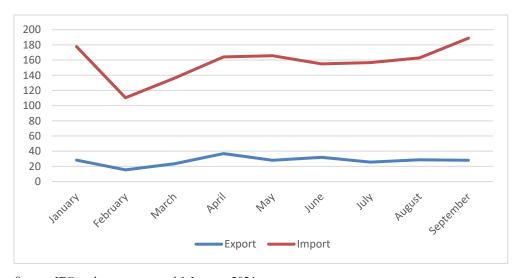
(Millions of United States dollars)



Source: International Trade Centre (ITC) trade map, accessed 1 January 2024.

Figure XIII
Trade statistics for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, January–September (monthly)

(Millions of United States dollars)



Source: ITC trade map, accessed 1 January 2024.

- 79. Some 98 per cent of Democratic People's Republic of Korea trade was with China during the first nine months of 2023.<sup>36</sup> Trade with the Russian Federation reportedly increased by the autumn of 2023<sup>37</sup> to \$28 million.<sup>38,39,40</sup>
- 80. Statistics do not include goods illicitly imported and exported by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, such as refined petroleum, coal and others (see paras. 47 and 48).

#### Sectoral ban monitoring

- 81. The Panel continued to monitor prohibited exports and imports by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. 41 Harmonized System (HS) codes used for this purpose are listed in annex 38. Information in the present report covers the period between April and September.
- 82. Based on ITC records of national trade data, some traded goods appeared to fall into sanctioned categories. The Panel asked the relevant 18 Member States about their transactions with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, including details of any rejections of customs clearance applications, cargo inspections or seizure of goods (see annex 36). Five of these Member States replied. <sup>42</sup> For the Panel's investigation of suspected imports of trucks and tractors, see annex 37.
- 83. Most responding Member States indicated that there was no recorded trade activity with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and that the trade statistics were mainly attributable to the mistaken use of country codes during the customs declaration process (see annex 39). One Member State stated that the goods in question were exempted on humanitarian grounds (see annex 40, OC.359).

#### Recommendations

- 84. The Panel emphasizes its previous recommendations that:
- (a) Appropriate measures be taken by the International Organization for Standardization and Member States, including outreach activities to respective customs authorities, to prevent erroneous usage of country codes;
- (b) Member States streamline their export and import control lists, using as supporting material the Panel's informal list of prohibited commodities (see annex 38);
- (c) Customs authorities of Member States use the above-mentioned list to inform trading agents in their jurisdictions for due diligence purposes, in particular when dealing with such commodities in the vicinity of sanctioned jurisdictions;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> In the first three quarters of 2023, the overall trade volume of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was \$1.66 billion, its trade volume with China reaching \$1.63 billion (see www.nknews.org/2024/01/north-korean-trade-with-china-doubles-in-2023-to-highest-since-pandemic).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> The Russian Federation ceased to release its official trade data in April 2022, and the Panel requested relevant information from the Russian Federation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> See www.nknews.org/2023/11/russian-delegation-departs-pyongyang-after-meeting-north-korean-prime-minister.

<sup>39</sup> See https://beyondparallel.csis.org/dramatic-increase-in-dprk-russia-border-rail-traffic-after-kim-putin-summit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> S/2023/171, para. 123; and S/2023/656, para. 96.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> For Member States' replies for the previous reporting period, see annex 35.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> According to available statistics, 30 Member States reported trade with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, 18 of which had included trade with the country on restricted HS code commodities.

(d) With regard to the Member States requiring assistance with understanding and implementing the sectoral ban, the Committee consider information outreach.

### Implementation of the luxury goods ban

- 85. The increase in foreign trade in 2023 (see paras. 78 and 79) facilitated the reappearance in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea of an increasingly wide variety of foreign goods, some of which could be classified as luxury goods (see figure XIV).
- 86. The country's partners' trade statistics for first three quarters of 2023 <sup>43</sup> (see para. 78) reflect the increased volumes of imported consumer goods with HS codes 42, 52, 57, 61, 64, 90, 91 and 92 these commodity groups may include articles that can be classified as luxury goods. <sup>44</sup> Regional entrepôt zones are suspected to be one of the channels for such imports. <sup>45</sup> A think tank estimated that imports of luxury goods by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea had reached \$40.64 million for the first half of 2023. <sup>46</sup>

Figure XIV A "luxury goods" counter in the Golden Plaza shop in Pyongyang, summer 2023



Source: The Panel.

87. The Panel monitored new foreign motor vehicles appearing in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in considerable numbers (see figure XV). An apparently new Mercedes-Benz Maybach GLS 600 sport-utility vehicle and a Maybach S650 sedan were seen used by Kim Jong Un and high-ranking officials in November and December, and another Maybach was first seen at the same time. <sup>47</sup> A Lexus LX sport-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> ITC trade map.

<sup>44</sup> See www.nknews.org/pro and annex 91.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> See, for example, www.nknews.org/pro.

<sup>46</sup> See http://world.kbs.co.kr/service/contents\_view.htm?lang=e&menu\_cate=northkorea&id= &board\_seq=447742&page=1&board\_code=.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> See www.nknews.org/2023/11/kim-jong-un-appears-to-import-luxury-maybach-lexus-suvs-

utility vehicle (released in 2022) and two Ford Transit vans (manufactured after 2021) were seen in November. 48 New luxury vehicles, among them Mercedes Benz and Lexus brands, were photographed in Pyongyang in December 49 (see annex 41). The Panel requested information from the relevant actors.

88. Toyota replied that the vehicle in the image appears to be a Lexus LX600 or a Lexus LX500d (see figure XV.D), manufactured after December 2021 in Japan (see annex 43).

Figure XV

Images of apparently new vehicles, November and December





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despite-sanctions.

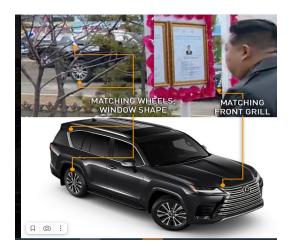
<sup>48</sup> See www.nknews.org/2023/12/kim-jong-un-appears-with-new-ford-vans-in-rare-endorsement-of-american-brand.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> See www.nknews.org/2023/12/kim-jong-un-appears-to-reward-top-officials-with-luxury-mercedes-cars.

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Source: Korean Central Television, Korean Central News Agency, NK News and https://m.posts.careerengine.us/p/658d2cc9311dd31682755e0f. Annotation from original media sources.

- 89. The Panel investigated a report issued in December<sup>50</sup> on an alleged attempt to smuggle a Lexus vehicle (worth 10 million Japanese yen) into the Democratic People's Republic of Korea through a third country. The dealer claimed another third country to be the final destination. In reply to the Panel's request, Japan stated that "it is difficult ... to provide any information regarding this case because provision of such information could hinder the future investigation by the Police" (see annex 42).
- 90. The Panel investigated media reports with photographs of high-ranking officials of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea using luxury-brand items,<sup>51</sup> such as a Dior handbag (see figure XVI). Christian Dior Couture replied that the bag "could be the 'Sac Lady Dior Large' cuir de veau cannage ultramatte noir" bag, which was first

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> See https://www.asahi.com/articles/ASRD74HPKRD7OXIE001.html. Accessed on 2 February 2024.

<sup>51</sup> See www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20230917000117 and www.nknews.org/2023/09/north-koreas-foreign-minister-totes-10k-ostrich-leather-gucci-bag-in-russia.

sold in February 2019 (see annex 44) and noted that it could not confirm the authenticity. The Panel continues investigating possible networks for the illegal supply of luxury items to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Figure XVI

A member of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea delegation photographed with a handbag allegedly produced by Dior, September 2023



Source: Korean Central News Agency and www.thepost.co.nz/a/world-news/350078343/kims-bag-ladies-privileged-set (annotation from original media source).

#### Recommendations

- 91. The Panel, taking into account the recently increased trans-shipments of luxury goods to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea via third countries, recommends that Member States urge entities involved in exporting luxury and brand goods to increase vigilance when arranging shipments to the region and via entrepôt zones.
- 92. The Panel recommends that Member States encourage exporters of luxury goods to include a contractual provision to prohibit the forwarding of goods to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
- 93. The Panel reiterates its recommendation that Member States consider updating their export control lists to reflect their lists of prohibited luxury goods in a manner consistent with the objectives of Security Council resolutions 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016) and 2321 (2016), avoiding unnecessary broadening of their scope in order not to restrict the supply of unprohibited goods to the civilian population or have a negative humanitarian impact.

# IV. Embargoes, designated individuals and entities, and overseas workers

#### **Embargoes**

Global Communications (Glocom)

94. The Panel has investigated Glocom since 2017.<sup>52</sup> One Member State reaffirmed that Glocom persists in selling Democratic People's Republic of Korea-manufactured military telecommunications equipment, and designated several associated Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals.<sup>53</sup> As at 26 January, Glocom's commercial website (https://glocom-corp.com) remained operational. Based on media reports,<sup>54</sup> the United States-based Privacy Protect Business Development had previously registered the domain.<sup>55</sup> The Panel has yet to receive a reply.

Alleged cases involving Democratic People's Republic of Korea arms and related materiel

#### Case 1

- 95. The Panel continues to examine the case of Ashot Mkrtychev, a Slovakian national.<sup>56</sup> To the Panel's enquiries, the Slovakian authorities responded that they "do not have any additional information that would allow them to further clarify the claims ... after [Mkrtychev's] inclusion on the [Office of Foreign Assets Control] sanctions list, the bank account ... was cancelled ... the account had a zero balance and was blocked for any transactions" (see annex 45).
- 96. The Panel notes a Member State press release that Mr. Mkrtychev<sup>57</sup> reportedly holds key positions within three entities, including Slovakia-based Versor S.R.O., linked to a sanctions evasion network allegedly supporting arms deals between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation. The Panel has yet to receive responses from multiple Member States. Investigations continue.

# Case 2

97. The Panel received no new information concerning previous reports by Member States and the media about alleged arms transfers by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea via rail to the Russian Federation.<sup>58</sup>

#### Case 3

98. Ukrainian forces allegedly utilized Democratic People's Republic of Koreaorigin multiple-launch rocket systems against Russian forces in late June and July. 59 Ukrainian military personnel claimed that the rockets had been "seized" from a ship by a "friendly" country before being delivered to Ukraine, while subsequently an official of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine commented that the rockets had been

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> S/2017/150, paras. 77, 79 and 85.

<sup>53</sup> See www.mofa.go.kr/www/brd/m\_4080/view.do?seq=374121&page=1.

<sup>54</sup> See www.nknews.org/pro/north-korea-linked-firm-offering-expanded-range-of-radio-hardware-online.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> S/2022/132, para. 137.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> S/2023/656, paras. 91 and 92.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> See https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy1697.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> For the accusation by a senior official of a Member State in 2022 that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea exported ammunitions to the Russian Federation by railcars, the latter's denial and the preliminary findings of the Panel's investigation, see S/2023/171, para. 122, and S/2023/656, para. 96.

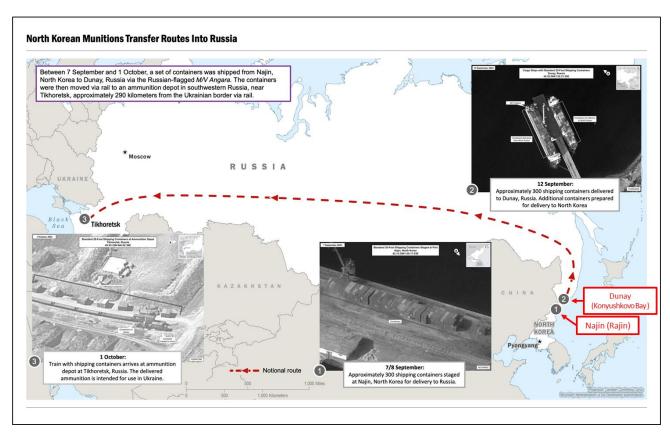
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> See www.ft.com/content/96e1f526-ae3d-4cff-bc37-8f9dd7d5975f.

taken from Russian forces (see annex 46). The Panel has yet to receive a reply from Ukraine to its enquiries.

#### Case 4

99. On 6 October, a Member State provided the Panel with satellite imagery of two Russian-flagged ships, *Angara* (IMO: 9179842) and *Maria* (formerly known as *Lev Yashin*) (IMO: 8517839), transporting containers from the port of Rajin in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea<sup>60</sup> to Dunay, a seaport in the Russian Far East, between 7 September and 1 October (see annex 47). While these images do not reveal the contents of the containers, the Member State reported that the containers were transported by rail to an alleged ammunition depot in the south-west of the Russian Federation near Tikhoretsk, approximately 180 miles (290 km) from the Ukrainian border (see figure XVII).

Figure XVII



Source: Member State, annotated by the Panel.

100. On 13 October, a senior official of a Member State stated: "Our information indicates that, in recent weeks, the [Democratic People's Republic of Korea] has provided Russia with more than 1,000 containers of military equipment and munitions".<sup>61</sup>

101. On 9 January, a second Member State provided further maps and imagery illustrating the continuing transfer of materials between the Democratic People's

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> The port of Rajin is also known as Najin.

<sup>61</sup> See https://thehill.com/homenews/administration/4254660-white-house-north-korea-provided-russia-military-equipment-munitions.

Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation between September and December (see annex 48). The Member State noted that although the contents of the containers was unknown, social media posts by Russian military personnel had stated the presence of Democratic People's Republic of Korea munitions in Ukraine. <sup>62</sup>

102. A representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation denied the accusations made by the United States regarding the importation of Democratic People's Republic of Korea arms on 11 November (see annex 49).

103. According to the information available, at least four Russian-flagged vessels (*Angara*, *Maria*, *Lady R* and *Maia-1*) were observed on satellite imagery transporting containers between the Russian Federation and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea between late August and December (see table 3). At least one other vessel was also possibly involved.

Table 3

Summary of vessel characteristics

Vessel name	IMO number	Туре	Length and breadth	AIS signal
Angara	9179842	Roll-on/roll-off	126.850 m x 20 m	None since 10 August (off Korsakov)
Maria (formerly known as Lev Yashin)	8517839	General cargo	113 m x 18.9 m	None since 13 September (off Vladivostok)
Lady R	9161003	Roll-on/roll-off	121.66 m x 18.7 m	None from 2 October (off Vostochny) to 8 November (off Vladivostok)
Maia I	9358010	General cargo	138 m x 21 m	None since 24 October (off Vostochny)

Source: Windward.

104. The Panel awaits responses to several enquiries.

105. The results of the Panel's investigations are focused primarily on activities related to the *Angara* between 1 August to 30 November based on commercial satellite imagery. For information about the *Angara*'s movements, see annex 50.

106. According to maritime databases, the current registered owner of *Angara* is M Leasing LLC (tax identification number: 9701173086). *Angara* is currently managed and operated by Marine Trans Shipping LLC (tax identification number: 3025037914) (see annex 51).<sup>63</sup>

107. According to commercial maritime databases, *Angara* arrived at Korsakov port on about 5 August, and its AIS system ceased to transmit its position on 10 August. It had not resumed transmission as at 26 January 2024 (see annex 51).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> A number of other Member States, think tanks and media sources also reported on this issue. See, for example, https://rusi.org/explore-our-research/publications/commentary/report-orient-express-north-koreas-clandestine-supply-route-russia, www.nknews.org/pro/major-russian-container-port-tied-to-alleged-north-korea-weapons-trade-imagery and https://beyondparallel.csis.org/activity-at-najin-points-to-continued-dprk-russia-arms-transfers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> Angara, M Leasing LLC and Marine Trans Shipping LLC have been designated by one Member State. A second Member State has also designated M Leasing LLC (see annex 51). Some sources suggest that Angara has transported weapons previously (see annex 51).

Angara's calls at Dunay port (Konyushkov Bay)

108. According to information in annex 47, a sequence of round trips between Dunay and Rajin port in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea started on 21 August: *Angara* departed Dunay with about 250 20-foot shipping containers and delivered them to Rajin on 25 August. *Angara* then returned empty to Dunay on 28 August. Annex 50 shows that the port was Konyushkov Bay, south of Dunay (see figure XVIII), a harbour used by the Russian navy (see annex 52). Information in annex 50 shows that *Angara* made additional visits to Konyushkov Bay and Rajin.

Figure XVIII Location of Dunay and Konyushkov Bay



Source: Google Earth, accessed 6 January 2024.

#### Angara's calls at Rajin port

109. The port has three piers (see figure XIX): the northern pier (pier 1) is used by vessels offloading containers, the middle pier (pier 2) for loading containers and the southern pier (pier 3) for coal shipments from the Russian Federation. A railway line connects the port to Tumangang on the Russian border 54 km to the north.

Figure XIX **Rajin port** 



Source: Google Maps, accessed 6 January 2024.

- 110. Rajin port and the railway line to Tumangang were modernized as part of the Rajin-Khasan port and rail project (2008–2013) undertaken by the Russian Federation and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for exporting coal. <sup>64</sup> In paragraph 16 of resolution 2397 (2017), the Security Council provides an exemption for the transshipment of Russian-origin coal to other countries through the port and rail project.
- 111. According to Member State information (see annex 47), on 11 September *Angara* loaded 300 containers at Rajin. Available imagery shows *Angara* at Konyushkov Bay on 12 September loaded with shipping containers and on 14 September largely unloaded (see annex 51). Despite the gap in coverage between those dates, the Panel is of the view that *Angara* almost certainly remained there based on calculations of *Angara*'s speed (see annex 51), although the Panel cannot rule out the possibility that between 12 and 14 September *Angara* offloaded the shipment at a Russian port or elsewhere nearby.
- 112. Angara made several visits to Rajin in the period under review. In addition to those recorded by Member States in annexes 47 and 48, a sequence of images appear to show Angara loading containers in Konyushkov Bay on 28 September and offloading them at pier 1, Rajin port, on 2 October (see annex 53).
- 113. Another sequence shows *Angara* offloading containers at pier 1, Rajin port, on 21 and 22 October, loading containers at pier 2 on 23 October and then offloading and loading containers at Konyushkov Bay on 27, 28 and 29 October (see annex 53).
- 114. In addition to *Angara*, *Maria* (see table 3 and annexes 47 and 48) also transported 20-foot shipping containers between Rajin port and Konyushkov Bay during the period under review. For example, *Maria* loaded containers at pier 2, Rajin port, and unloaded them at Konyushkov Bay between 10 and 16 October (see annex 54).
- 115. The Panel notes that although shipping containers are not usually transported on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea rail network, media reported that "the distinctive cargo trains carrying shipping containers of varying colours have appeared in at least five places other than Rason port ... since September". 65

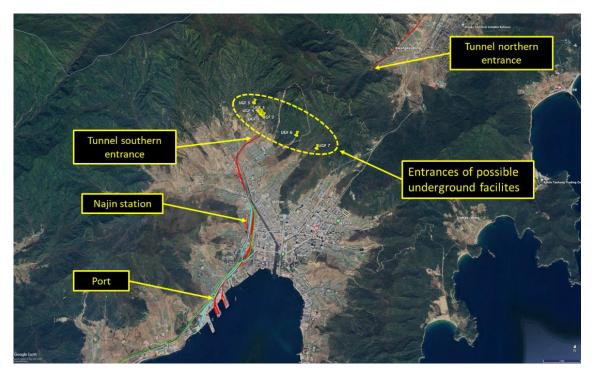
<sup>64</sup> See www.railwaygazette.com/infrastructure/north-korea-rail-link-completed/38707.article.

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<sup>65</sup> See www.nknews.org/pro/north-korean-trains-in-alleged-russia-arms-deal-pass-through-key-weapons-hub.

116. The Panel undertook analysis of possible transportation routes of containers to and from Rajin port. Limited analysis of available imagery shows that, in comparison with the period before, increased traffic of railcars delivering containers, the tops of which typically appeared coloured on imagery, between Rajin port and Rajin station to the north (see figure XX) started in September.

Figure XX
Railway lines in the vicinity of Rajin port and Rajin station



Source: Google Earth, accessed 6 January 2024, annotated by the Panel.

*Note*: The railway line running north from the port via a tunnel to Tumangang is shown in red, and the line connecting the station to destinations further south is shown in green. Note the location of possible entrances to underground sites in the general area of the tunnel.

- 117. About 2.5 km north of Rajin station the railway line enters a tunnel under a mountain (summit about 520 m) and exits about 3.8 km on the north side of the mountain. Satellite imagery of this mountain shows multiple L-shape entrances on the south side to probable underground sites (see figure XXI and annex 55). The existence of probable underground sites with an L shape could indicate that this area could be of strategic importance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The Panel continues to investigate.
- 118. The Panel awaits the response of the Russian Federation to its enquiries.
- 119. The Panel has established that, based on the examination of satellite imagery on specific dates, *Angara* loaded and unloaded 20-foot shipping containers at Konyushkov Bay and at Rajin port. *Maria* loaded containers at Rajin that were unloaded at Konyushkov Bay. These observations constitute clear evidence of the transfer of goods and materials between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation.
- 120. The containers were shipped to and from a harbour used by the Russian navy. The Panel cannot currently determine the contents of the containers. Investigations continue.

#### Case 5

121. According to a Member State, a Russian national, Pavel Pavlovich Shevelin, <sup>66</sup> negotiated with Democratic People's Republic of Korea officials in Damascus, including Rim Yong Hyok, described as a representative of the Korea Mining Development Trading Corporation (KOMID, KPe.001) in the Syrian Arab Republic, <sup>67</sup> in 2022 to facilitate arms transfers from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the Russian Federation, and that this network remained active as at October 2023. Another Russian national, Valeriy Yevgenyevich Chekalov, <sup>68</sup> was also reportedly involved in this activity. Mr. Shevelin and Mr. Chekalov were known to have been affiliated with the Wagner Group. <sup>69</sup> The Russian Federation has requested the Panel to furnish more detailed information on the basis that "such information is required to conduct a thorough investigation, clarify all the circumstances, identify suspects, and organize a trial if sufficient grounds are identified". To the Panel's enquiries, the Syrian Arab Republic has yet to reply. The investigation continues.

#### Case 6

122. State and media reports indicate that Hamas militants may have utilized weapons of Democratic People's Republic of Korea origin<sup>70</sup> (see annex 56). The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has labelled such claims as a "groundless and false rumor". To the Panel's enquiries, Israel replied that the weapon systems included F-7 rockets from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and that Hamas had dozens of Phoenix systems from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Israel provided the technical specifications of the anti-tank weapon systems of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea held by Hamas (see annex 57). The Panel also wrote to the State of Palestine.

#### Case 7

123. Russian media reported that during his official visit to the Russian Federation on 17 September, Kim Jong Un received gifts from the Governor of Primorskiy krai, Oleg Kozhemyako, including a set of body armour for assault operations, five kamikaze drones, a Geranium-25 aircraft-type reconnaissance drone with vertical take-off function, and drone control systems. The media also reported that Kim Jong Un and the President of the Russian Federation, Vladimir Putin, exchanged rifles 72 as gifts and that Kim Jong Un received a sword from the Minister of Defence of the Russian Federation, Sergei Shoigu. 73 The Panel awaits a response from the Russian Federation to its enquiries.

#### Case 8

124. The Panel continues to investigate a Myanmar company, Royal Shune Lei Co. Ltd. <sup>74</sup> According to a Member State, a Democratic People's Republic of Korea delegation from KOMID travelled to Myanmar in October 2022 to support negotiations for aerial bomb guidance kits worth millions of dollars with Royal Shune

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<sup>66</sup> Date of birth: 10 October 1989; passport No.: 8617230995.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> S/2019/171, para. 92.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup> Date of birth: 10 January 1976; now reported to be deceased.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>69</sup> See www.state.gov/imposing-additional-sanctions-on-those-supporting-russias-war-against-ukraine.

 $<sup>^{70} \</sup> See \ www.nknews.org/2023/10/apparent-north-korean-weapons-used-by-hamas-but-dprk-denies.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> See http://kcna.kp/en/article/q/aa4df265dc7ce03ee512204d1071fd47.kcmsf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> See https://tass.com/politics/1674937.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>73</sup> See https://ria.ru/20230919/mech-1897211414.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> S/2023/171, para. 124.

Lei, a procurement entity to the military. The Panel awaits a response to its enquiries from Myanmar.

## Case 9

125. The Panel continues to investigate suspected military cooperation between Mali and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The An Se Ho, a diplomat stationed at the Embassy of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in Guinea, for reportedly brokered a project to build an ammunitions factory in Mali in collaboration with a KOMID representative. A KOMID representative visited Mali on several occasions in late 2023 to discuss the project. The Panel awaits responses to its enquiries from Mali and Guinea.

#### Case 10

126. The Panel notes media information alleging that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea supplied ammunition, shells and rockets to the Russian Federation<sup>77</sup> (see annex 58). The Panel awaits a response to its enquiry from the Russian Federation.

#### Case 11

127. The Panel noted a report by the Public Broadcasting Company of Ukraine about suspected Democratic People's Republic of Korea missile debris said to have been found in the city of Kharkiv on 2 January 2024.<sup>78</sup>

128. The Panel is investigating information from outside experts on the debris. <sup>79</sup> In response to the Panel's enquiry, Ukraine sent a report, which the Panel is reviewing.

## Reconnaissance General Bureau (KPe.031)80

129. The Panel continued to monitor and investigate cyberattacks attributed to Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberthreat actors subordinate to the Reconnaissance General Bureau (RGB), 81 including Kimsuky, the Lazarus Group, Andariel and BlueNoroff. 82 The key tasks of these cyberthreat actors are to obtain information of value to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and to illicitly generate revenue (see paras. 180–190) for the country. The country's attack methodologies continue to include spearphishing, vulnerability exploits, social engineering and watering holes. The Panel has identified several trends in malicious

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>75</sup> S/2023/656, para. 97.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>76</sup> In Korean, 안세호; date of birth: 15 June 1976; passport No.: 572110043 (PD).

<sup>77</sup> See https://euromaidanpress.com/2023/11/12/north-korea-supplies-russia-with-full-range-of-artillery-ammo-including-gun-and-mortar-shells-rockets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>78</sup> See https://suspilne.media/655506-shoza-na-raketi-z-paradiv-u-pivnicnij-korei-cim-raketa-akou-vdarili-po-harkovu-2-sicna-vidriznaetsa-vid-iskanderu.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>79</sup> See the on-site study by Conflict Armament Research at https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/ 3a4e9d713f59426d9d1ea3881abecbf3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>80</sup> In this section, the Panel takes a thematic approach to explain key trends in malicious cyberactivities by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, a departure from previous reports, which listed reported cases by cyberthreat actors. A list of cases can be found in annexes 59, 94 and 95.

According to a Member State, 90 per cent of the malicious cyberactivity by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is attributable to RGB. In December 2023, a Member State sanctioned Ri Chang Ho, Director of RGB. In 2023, the Panel recommended the designation of Ri Chang Ho (see S/2023/171, paras. 136 and 170). See also http://www.mofa.go.kr/www/brd/m 4080/view.do?seq=374538&page=1.

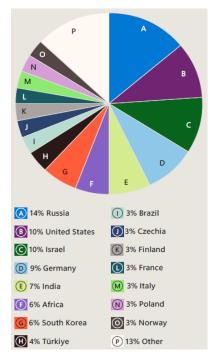
<sup>82</sup> The names used in this section for the cyberthreat actors and their campaigns are widely employed in the cybersecurity industry.

cyberactivity by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea during 2023, in addition to ongoing targeting of the cryptocurrency industry (see paras. 188 and 189). A compilation of relevant cybersecurity reporting is provided in annex 59.

## Defence industrial base targeting

130. The Lazarus Group continued to attack defence sector companies across the globe (see figure XXI). Through intrusions, Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactors obtain intellectual property or other information such as designs and blueprints that can be used to advance the country's weapons of mass destruction and ballistic programmes and be sold to further generate revenue for the country's weapons programmes.

Figure XXI
Reported targeting of defence companies by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, November 2022–January 2023



 ${\it Source}: www.microsoft.com/en-us/security/security-insider/microsoft-digital-defense-report-2023.$ 

131. The Lazarus Group compromised a Spanish aerospace company, <sup>83</sup> obtaining initial access to the company's network in 2022 through a spearphishing campaign in which Democratic People's Republic of Korea actors posed as recruiters on LinkedIn and convinced the target to execute malware, disguised as a test, as part of the fraudulent hiring process (see figure XXII). The Lazarus Group reportedly attacked aerospace companies in the Kingdom of the Netherlands in October 2021 and a defence company in Poland in February 2023 through similar methods. <sup>84</sup>

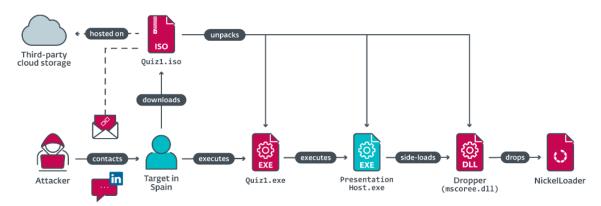
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<sup>83</sup> See www.welivesecurity.com/en/eset-research/lazarus-luring-employees-trojanized-coding-challenges-case-spanish-aerospace-company and www.sentinelone.com/labs/comrades-in-arms-north-korea-compromises-sanctioned-russian-missile-engineering-company.

<sup>84</sup> See www.virusbulletin.com/uploads/pdf/conference/vb2023/papers/Lazarus-campaigns-and-backdoors-in-2022-2023.pdf and S/2021/211, para. 126 and footnote 107.

Figure XXII
Reported intrusion by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea into a Spanish aerospace company



Source: www.welivesecurity.com/en/eset-research/lazarus-luring-employees-trojanized-coding-challenges-case-spanish-aerospace-company.

- 132. In a report issued in October 2023,<sup>85</sup> an ongoing Lazarus Group campaign was identified that targeted nuclear engineers and the defence industry, including manufacturers of radar systems, uncrewed aerial vehicles, military vehicles, ships, weaponry and maritime companies. The Lazarus Group reportedly obtained systems access by manipulating job seekers on social media, including Telegram and WhatsApp, into opening malicious apps for fake job interviews.
- 133. Democratic People's Republic of Korea hackers reportedly installed a backdoor and stole data including blueprints of satellite components from the Russian company Sputnix OOO in 2022. 86 To the Panel's enquiry, the Russian Federation replied: "More information is needed in order to duly examine alleged cyberattacks by DPRK-based malicious cyber actors". The Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactor groups ScarCruft and the Lazarus Group compromised the email server and internal network of NPO Mashinostroyenia 87,88 in separate intrusions, likely between late 2021 and May 2022. The Russian Federation replied: "There has been no evidence found on cyberattacks on the internal [information technology] infrastructure of the Russia organization, NPO Mashinostroyenia by a cyber threat actor linked to the [United Nations]-designated [RGB (KPe.031)] of the DPRK, the Lazarus Group, ScarCruft or Kimsuky".
- 134. Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberthreat actors conducted multiple hacking attempts on shipbuilders in the Republic of Korea in August and September to steal information that could be used to strengthen the naval military power of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. 89 The attackers reportedly sought access to the companies' systems by pretending to be information technology maintenance suppliers and/or through spearphishing (see annex 61). Andariel attacked multiple telecommunications companies, research institutions, universities and information technology, defence industry and financial companies in the Republic of Korea and

<sup>85</sup> See https://securelist.com/apt-trends-report-q3-2023/110752.

<sup>86</sup> See http://english.chosun.com/site/data/html\_dir/2023/09/07/2023090701108.html.

<sup>87</sup> See www.sentinelone.com/labs/comrades-in-arms-north-korea-compromises-sanctioned-russian-missile-engineering-company.

<sup>88</sup> НПО МАШИНОСТРОЕНИЕ.

<sup>89</sup> See annex 61 and https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20231121006800315?section=national/national.

stole 1.2 TB of information, including sensitive data on surface-to-air laser weapon systems<sup>90</sup> (see para. 187 and annex 62).

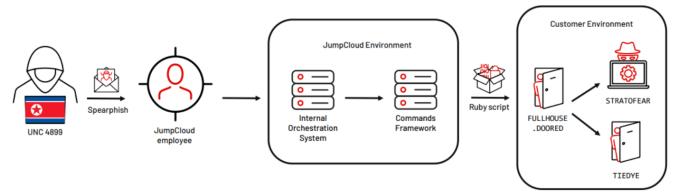
# Supply chain attacks

135. In 2023, multiple cybersecurity companies reported on Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactors deploying supply chain attacks, targeting companies such as software providers, to gain access to multiple networks in sectors of interest through one intrusion. <sup>91</sup> Such actors utilized multiple attack vectors, including spearphishing, public open-source code repository "poisoning" and manipulation of profiles on industry-specific platforms. <sup>92</sup> Two Member States issued a joint cybersecurity advisory entitled "DPRK state-linked cyber actors conduct software supply chain attacks". <sup>93</sup>

136. In July, the software-as-a-service provider JumpCloud was compromised by Democratic People's Republic of Korea actors associated with cryptocurrency heists, <sup>94</sup> likely through a sophisticated spearphishing campaign (see figure XXIII); <sup>95</sup> according to a blockchain company, this compromise may have resulted in at least two cryptocurrency heists by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, with a combined value of \$147.5 million (see annex 95).

Figure XXIII

Reported JumpCloud attack diagram



Source: www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/north-korea-supply-chain.

137. The Lazarus Group and Andariel exploited a remote-code execution vulnerability (CVE-2023-42793) affecting the JetBrains TeamCity server, an application used for software development. 96,97 While the two Democratic People's

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 $<sup>^{90}</sup>$  See www.recordedfuture.com/north-korea-aligned-tag-71-spoofs-financial-institutions, www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2023/12/103\_364423.html, www.yna.co.kr/view/ AKR20231204049700004, https://boannews.com/media/view.asp?idx=124405 and https://english.chosun.com/site/data/html\_dir/2023/12/05/2023120501179.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>91</sup> See S/2023/656, para. 113, on the 3CX supply chain compromise in March 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>92</sup> See https://medium.com/checkmarx-security/how-north-korea-is-compromising-supply-chains-df1532b29a49.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>93</sup> For the joint cybersecurity advisory of the Republic of Korea and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland dated 23 November 2023, see annex 60.

<sup>94</sup> UNC4899, which reportedly overlaps with the Lazarus Group and Kimsuky.

<sup>95</sup> See www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/north-korea-supply-chain.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>96</sup> See www.sonarsource.com/blog/teamcity-vulnerability.

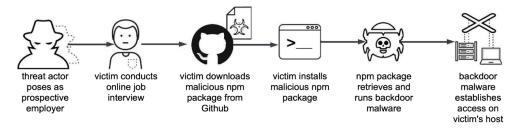
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>97</sup> See www.microsoft.com/en-us/security/blog/2023/10/18/multiple-north-korean-threat-actors-exploiting-the-teamcity-cve-2023-42793-vulnerability.

Republic of Korea groups were reportedly exploiting the same vulnerability, they utilized different sets of tools and techniques following successful exploitation.

138. The Lazarus Group conducted a supply chain attack involving a malicious variant of an application developed by CyberLink Corp., in which malicious code was inserted into a legitimate CyberLink application installer, hosted on legitimate CyberLink infrastructure and signed using a legitimate CyberLink certificate, affecting over 100 devices in multiple jurisdictions. 98

139. With regard to code repositories, a cybersecurity company exposed a Lazarus Group supply chain campaign effected by posting dozens of malicious Python packages to an open-source Python software repository, which served as a distribution point for the malware. Phe packages reportedly mimicked popular open-source Python tools through typosquatting 100 and/or purporting to offer new tools with desired functionality alongside hidden malicious components. In multiple reports in 2023 101 it was similarly noted that the Lazarus Group had likely published multiple malicious packages on a repository for the JavaScript programming language, npm package manager (see annexes 59, 94 and 95). In another report 102 a campaign was discovered in which Democratic People's Republic of Korea actors posed as employers to lure software developers, many linked to the cryptocurrency industry, into installing malware hosted on a GitHub repository through a job interview process (see figure XXIV and para. 132).

Figure XXIV
Reported Democratic People's Republic of Korea attack chain for the targeting of software developers



*Source*: https://unit42.paloaltonetworks.com/two-campaigns-by-north-korea-bad-actors-target-job-hunters.

<sup>98</sup> See www.microsoft.com/en-us/security/blog/2023/11/22/diamond-sleet-supply-chain-compromise-distributes-a-modified-cyberlink-installer.

<sup>99</sup> See www.reversinglabs.com/blog/vmconnect-supply-chain-campaign-continues and www.reversinglabs.com/blog/vmconnect-malicious-pypi-packages-imitate-popular-open-sourcemodules.

<sup>100</sup> Giving malicious package names, descriptions and functions that closely resemble those of popular legitimate open-source packages, the attacker or attackers hope that developers will inadvertently install the malicious package.

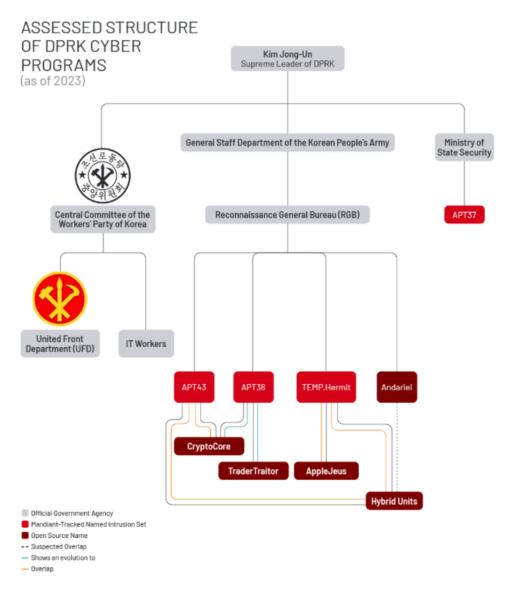
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>102</sup> See https://medium.com/checkmarx-security/how-north-korea-is-compromising-supply-chains-df1532b29a49.

## Shared infrastructure and tools

140. A cybersecurity company reported <sup>103</sup> increasing overlap among the RGB-subordinate cyberthreat groups, which are more commonly collaborating and sharing infrastructure to conduct joint operations (see figure XXV). The company notes that "this flexible approach to tasking makes it difficult for defenders to track, attribute and thwart malicious activities, while enabling this now collaborative adversary to move stealthily with greater speed and adaptability".

Figure XXV Reported assessed structure of Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberprogrammes



Source: www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/north-korea-cyber-structure-alignment-2023.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>103</sup> See www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/north-korea-cyber-structure-alignment-2023.

141. A cybersecurity company found that infrastructure used in an attack by ScarCruft on the Russian missile company NPO Mashinostroyenia (see para. 133) had also been used by other Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactors, including Kimsuky. 104 Andariel actors in 2023 reportedly used certain infrastructure for the exfiltration of pharmaceutical research and development and weapons development; this same infrastructure was used by Kimsuky in 2020 for nuclear and coronavirus disease (COVID-19) medical espionage. 105

### Malware development methods and infrastructure

- 142. Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactors are also using open-source tools and developing malware, including remote access trojans (RATs), using uncommon technologies like QtFramework, PowerBasic and DLang. Examples include the following:
- (a) The Lazarus Group has employed at least three new DLang-based malware families, including two RATs, one of which used Telegram bots and channels for command and control. <sup>106</sup> The Lazarus Group has reportedly used these malware families to attack global enterprises such as manufacturing, agricultural and physical security companies. The company assessed that the use of Telegram is likely to evade detection by employing legitimate services as a channel of command and control communications;
- (b) The Lazarus Group is increasingly using open-source tools and frameworks in the initial access phase of its attacks, whereas previously it relied on custom-built implants.<sup>107</sup> This shift allows the attackers to avoid being profiled and does not raise early red flags.<sup>108</sup>

#### Targeting of neighbouring countries

- 143. Cybersecurity companies and Member States have noted Democratic People's Republic of Korea actors targeting government agencies, companies and individuals in China and the Russian Federation (see also paras. 133 and 141). For instance:
- (a) In the first half of 2023, the Lazarus Group ranked seventh in attacks targeting China, focusing in particular on the government and financial sectors, and controlled 6 per cent of Chinese Internet Protocol addresses and 9 per cent of Chinese command and control servers. <sup>109</sup> Kimsuky ranked ninth in attacks targeting China, focusing on the government, media, education and finance sectors, and controlled 3 per cent of Chinese Internet Protocol addresses and 4 per cent of Chinese command and control servers;
- (b) The Lazarus Group is "very active in the Russian Federation" and "still [has] access to a number of Russian systems." 110

### Mobile applications

144. Kimsuky continues to create malicious Android mobile applications disguised as legitimate Android apps, including a popular e-commerce service, security plug-in Google Authenticator, anti-virus programme and payment service app, in order to

<sup>104</sup> See www.sentinelone.com/labs/comrades-in-arms-north-korea-compromises-sanctioned-russian-missile-engineering-company.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>105</sup> See www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/north-korea-cyber-structure-alignment-2023.

 $<sup>^{106}~</sup>See~https://blog.talosintelligence.com/lazarus\_new\_rats\_dlang\_and\_telegram.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>107</sup> See https://blog.talosintelligence.com/lazarus-collectionrat.

 $<sup>{}^{108}\</sup> See\ https://therecord.media/lazarus-new-malware-manageengine-open-source.$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>109</sup> See https://ti.qianxin.com/uploads/2023/07/20/fcd50f2540db9ca6fb91b192c0fe2a4c.pdf.

<sup>110</sup> See https://rt-solar.ru/events/news/3851.

steal information from infected devices.<sup>111</sup> The fake applications reportedly have the same icon, features and size as the legitimate applications. The malicious applications were likely distributed via spearphishing or smishing (see annex 59.1 for additional information).

## Artificial intelligence

145. According to a cybercompany, Kimsuky has shown interest in using generative artificial intelligence, including large language models, potentially for coding or writing phishing emails. Kimsuky has been observed using ChatGPT. A Member State reported <sup>112</sup> that Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactors have been observed trying to use artificial intelligence models to help to accelerate writing malicious software and finding systems to exploit.

## Targeting of a member of the Panel of Experts

146. Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactors, probably Kimsuky, were likely responsible for targeting the private email address of a member of the Panel through persistent spearphishing attacks (see figure XXVI). 113,114 The Panel reiterates its view that such attacks against the Panel and the Committee amount to sanctions evasion. 115

See www.nis.go.kr:4016/resources/synap/skin/doc.html?fn=NIS\_FILE\_1698304158145 and https://medium.com/s2wblog/fastviewer-variant-merged-with-fastspy-and-disguised-as-a-legitimate-mobile-application-f3004588f95c.

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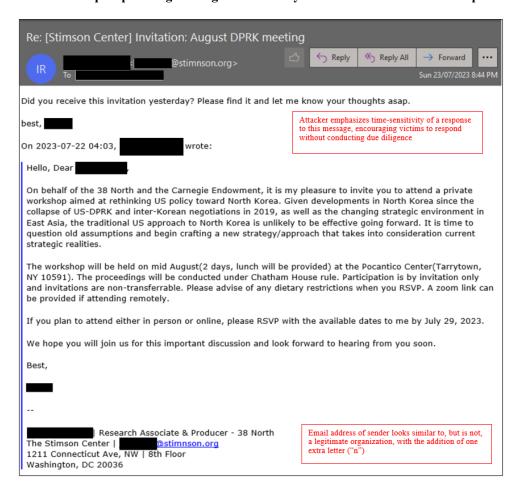
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>112</sup> See https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20231019000600315?input=tw.

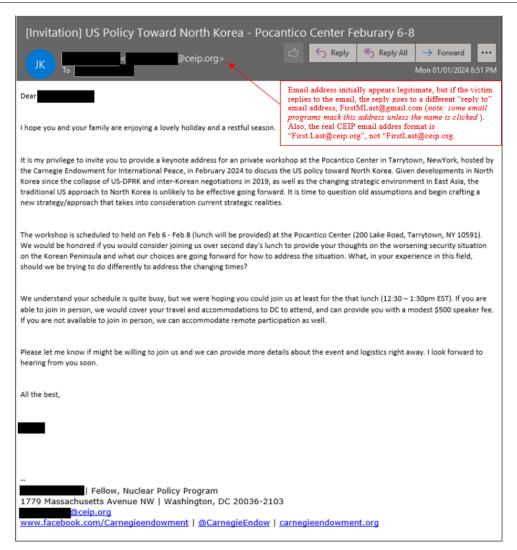
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>113</sup> See also S/2020/151, paras. 117 and 118, and S/2018/171, para. 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>114</sup> See https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20231121006800315?section=national/national. See also S/2023/656, annex 63.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>115</sup> S/2020/151, para. 117.

Figure XXVI
Selection of spearphishing messages received by a member of the Panel of Experts





Source: The Panel.

## Mansudae Art Studio (KPe.050)<sup>116</sup>

147. The Panel is investigating two museums in a third country that had exhibitions of Democratic People's Republic of Korea artists in September and October. Among the artists involved, at least two were previously associated with the Mansudae Art Studio.

#### Overseas workers

148. The Panel continued investigations into Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals earning income abroad (overseas workers), in contravention of paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 2397 (2017).

149. According to a Member State, more than 100,000 Democratic People's Republic of Korea workers are still working overseas generating revenue for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, located in approximately 40 countries and working in a variety of areas, including sewing, construction, medicine, information technology and food service. A second Member State estimated that Democratic People's Republic of Korea overseas workers other than information technology workers

<sup>116</sup> Also known as Mansudae Overseas Project Group of Companies.

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generate annual revenue of approximately \$500 million. According to the first Member State, these workers are initially dispatched on student or tourist visas; some use false nationalities and identity cards. The vast majority are reportedly working in two countries. The Member State said that once the border reopens further, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is expected to send a large number of additional workers overseas and has concluded contracts to dispatch 400,000 workers abroad.

150. Given the partial reopening of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea border in 2023, the Panel has written to a number of Member States regarding their efforts to repatriate Democratic People's Republic of Korea workers as well as related issues, such as inspection of all cargoes. One Member State reported on repatriating in February 2023 six Democratic People's Republic of Korea workers found to be hiding in the fish hold of a fishing vessel; the workers were not listed on the relevant documentation. For the reply from the Russian Federation, see annex 74. Investigations continue.

#### Information technology workers

151. According to Member States, think tanks and cybersecurity companies, Democratic People's Republic of Korea information technology workers continue to operate overseas, generating substantial income for the country. 117 Two Member States released additional information on red flag indicators of potential information technology worker activity and the due diligence measures that companies can take (see annex 63). Concurrently, one Member State also seized 17 web domains 118 used by information technology workers to "defraud ... businesses, evade sanctions and fund the development of the [Democratic People's Republic of Korea] government's weapons program"; the information technology workers "funneled" their income back to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea through online payment services and third-country bank accounts. 119 Revenue generation by means of information technology work is also conducted by Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberthreat actors, according to one Member State.

152. A Member State reported that overseas information technology workers earn \$15,000 to \$60,000 monthly, while a former information technology worker <sup>120</sup> reported that all information technology workers are expected to earn at least \$100,000 annually, often each maintaining multiple longer-term full-time positions <sup>121</sup> supplemented with freelance jobs. Information technology workers are allowed to keep only a small percentage of their earnings, according to former information technology workers. <sup>122</sup> The remainder is taken by their dispatching agency and in many cases used to purchase items for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. One former information technology workers overseas and 1,000 in the Democratic People's Republic of

According to a former Democratic People's Republic of Korea information technology worker, these workers utilize a cover identity as a student to obtain visas.

<sup>118</sup> Democratic People's Republic of Korea information technology workers designed the domains to appear as those of legitimate United States-based information technology services companies.

See www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-announces-court-authorized-action-disrupt-illicit-revenue-generation.

See www.reuters.com/technology/north-koreans-use-fake-names-scripts-land-remote-it-work-cash-2023-11-21.

<sup>121</sup> Six months to several years.

According to a recent former Democratic People's Republic of Korea information technology worker, the salary is a percentage commission of earnings – lower earners keep 10 per cent while the highest earners could keep 30 per cent.

Korea.<sup>123</sup> According to a second Member State, this latter group is primarily located in Rason, Pyongyang and Shinuiju, but relies on overseas counterparts to establish accounts, obtain infrastructure and launder their earnings. Based on such information, information technology workers generate an estimated \$250 million to \$600 million for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea annually.

153. The Panel has compiled information on recent information technology worker tactics, techniques and procedures (see annex 64).

#### Restaurant workers

154. According to one Member State, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea continues to operate restaurants in at least five countries. These restaurants reportedly generate \$700 million in revenue for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea annually, hire that country's workers, launder money for the country and are often operated by RGB (KPe.028) agents.

#### Country No. 1

155. The Panel received information from multiple sources on several dozens of restaurants employing Democratic People's Republic of Korea workers in China in 2023 (see annexes 65, 66 and 69). 124 Social media images indicate that these restaurants take measures to hide their connections with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. To the Panel's enquiry, China replied: "China has always been seriously implementing the relevant provisions of the UN Security Council resolutions regarding DPRK overseas workers. The working permits for DPRK workers in China have all been expired before the deadline stipulated in the relevant Security Council resolution" (see annex 40, OC.385). The Panel assesses that similar measures are also used in another Member State.

#### Country No. 2

156. Information from Member States and information obtained by the Panel indicate that Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals continue to work at four restaurants in the Lao People's Democratic Republic (see table 4). Photographs show that two restaurants (see table 4, Nos. 1 and 4) are using the Sindat BBQ restaurant logo; both have recently been renamed. Paektu Hanna restaurant (see table 4, No. 2) also appears to have changed its logo. 125 The Lao People's Democratic Republic informed the Panel in March 2023 that Paektu Hanna restaurant is "now totally owned and operated by [a] Lao citizen in line with the laws and regulations of [the Lao People's Democratic Republic]". 126 Tokyo Sushi & Teppanyaki (see table 4, No. 3) was previously known as Kumkangsan restaurant and operated elsewhere in Vientiane.

123 See www.reuters.com/technology/north-koreans-use-fake-names-scripts-land-remote-it-work-cash-2023-11-21.

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Based on Member State information in response to the Panel's investigation, these restaurants primarily serve North Korean cuisine, but some also serve other types of Asian cuisine.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>125</sup> S/2022/132, para. 174 and annex 82.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>126</sup> S/2023/656, para 124.

Table 4

Laotian restaurants in which Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals reportedly continued to work

No.	Location	Restaurant names (Former names)	Address and Coordinates	Information about DPRK workers (As of mid-2023)		
1	Vientiane	Sindat BBQ Restaurant (That Luang Pyongyang Restaurant)	XJF J+9X5, Nongbone Road, Vientiane (17°57'58.3"N 102°37'41.5"E)	At least three DPRK nationals working.		
2	Vientiane	Paektu Hanna Restaurant (Paektu Hanna Restaurant of the same name)	I(1/~5/58.5"N I02~5/41.5"E)	At least six DPRK nationals working. One said that she was from Pyongyang.		
3	Vientiane	Tokyo Sushi & Teppanyaki (Kum kangsan Restaurant, Pyongyang Friendship Restaurant)	Landmark Mekong Riverside Hotel WJV8+FRR, Thatkhao Village, Sisattanak District, Vientiane (17°56'38.0"N 102°37'01.8"E)	At least three DPRK nationals working.		
4	Vang Vieng	Sindat BBQ Restaurant (Sindat BBQ 2) (Vang Vieng Pyongyang Restaurant)	Vang Vieng (18°55'08.5"N 102°26'55.6"E)	At least two DPRK national working		

Source: The Panel and a Member State.

157. According to another Member State, Kim Song Ho, a national of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, was involved in running Kumkangsan restaurant <sup>127</sup> and Big Sister Won's restaurant in Vientiane and Koryo restaurant in Luang Prabang between 2019 and 2021 (see para. 176). The Panel awaits a reply from the Lao People's Democratic Republic to its recent enquiry. Investigations continue.

#### Country No. 3

158. The Panel reviewed a non-comprehensive set of Russian Federation court records between 1 January 2021 and 15 October 2023, identifying approximately 250 court cases <sup>128</sup> in which at least 20 Russian employers illegally hired Democratic People's Republic of Korea workers (see annexes 75 and 75.1). According to the records, in at least four cases, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals received work permits after 22 December 2019. <sup>129</sup> Some cases dealt with the deaths of Democratic People's Republic of Korea workers on construction sites. In most cases, the employer was fined 125,000 roubles (\$1,400) or the Democratic People's Republic of Korea worker was fined 2,000 roubles (\$23), for violation of the law. One company replied that it was not an employer of Democratic People's Republic of Korea citizens and that the court proceedings had been cancelled. <sup>130</sup> The Panel awaits further responses to its enquiries from the Russian Federation and the other companies (see annex 79).

<sup>127</sup> 금강산식당.

<sup>128</sup> The cases included charges under the Russian Federation Code on Administrative Offences, Civil Code and Criminal Code and the Federal Law on the Legal Status of Foreign Citizens.

<sup>129 22</sup> December 2019 was the deadline for Member States to repatriate Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals earning income in their jurisdictions, pursuant to Security Council resolution 2397 (2017); Member States were prohibited from providing work authorizations for Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals in their jurisdictions in connection with admission to their territories after 11 September 2017, pursuant to resolution 2375 (2017).

<sup>130</sup> See annex 75; in at least one case it appears that the proceedings were cancelled for procedural reasons.

159. According to a Member State, Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals have been seen working in four restaurants in the Russian Federation (see annex 70). Russian corporate registry records list Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals in ownership or management positions at some of these restaurants, suggesting that they are prohibited joint ventures or cooperative entities (see para. 171 and annex 79). The Russian Federation replied that one restaurant had been liquidated, two companies were owned by a Russian citizen and one café had been established by a Russian citizen: "Since December 2019 up to the present time all of the above-mentioned entities have not entered into labour agreements with DPRK citizens, have not applied for work permits for North Korean citizens and have not applied for forms of joint venture. There is no information on profit-making by North Koreans from the activities of these entities" (see annex 71).

160. For the Panel's investigation of suspected cases of employment of Democratic People's Republic of Korea workers by approximately 120 potential joint ventures between the country and the Russian Federation, as well as Democratic People's Republic of Korea companies registered in the Russian Federation, see para. 171.

#### Construction workers

161. According to a media report<sup>131</sup> and information obtained by the Panel, at least 58 Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals were working at a Khabarovsk-based Democratic People's Republic of Korea construction company, "The First Construction Company (제 1 건설회사)", as of 2022. The Russian Federation replied that the company is not registered in the country, stating: "There is no data on the issuance by this organization of contracts with Russian contractors for the provision of migrant workers from DPRK, nor on the opening of accounts in Russian banks. No work permits were issued to DPRK citizens for labor activities for [the company]" (see annex 73).

#### Recommendations

- 162. The Panel recommends that Member States continue to exercise vigilance in checking the management and ownership of companies employing Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals and possible obfuscation efforts.
- 163. The Panel recommends that Member States have appropriate immigration controls in place, in particular to ensure that Democratic People's Republic of Korea students and tourists do not earn income and do not exceed their authorized duration of stay, in line with Security Council resolutions.
- 164. The Panel recommends that, as the Democratic People's Republic of Korea further opens its borders, Member States ensure the implementation of relevant resolutions concerning Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals earning income.

## V. Finance

165. The Panel assesses that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea continues to access the international financial system and engage in illicit financial operations in violation of Security Council resolutions.

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<sup>131</sup> See www.rfa.org/korean/in\_focus/food\_international\_org/workershealth-09202023163056.html and annex 72.

## Overseas bank representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

166. The Panel investigated information from multiple Member States regarding 30 reported representatives of Democratic People's Republic of Korea financial institutions operating in three countries, including Jo Chol Song (KPi.058), Ri Chun Song (KPi.075) and Kim Mun Chol (KPi.060). <sup>132</sup> They reportedly represent 17 Democratic People's Republic of Korea banks, including Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047), Korea United Development Bank (KPe.033), Koryo Credit Development Bank (also known as Daesong Credit Development Bank, KPe.049), Korea Daesong Bank (KPe.035) and Korea Kwangson Banking Corporation (KPe.025); some bankers represent multiple Democratic People's Republic of Korea banks. One country denied the presence of such bank representatives (see annexes 76 and 77).

167. The Panel investigated information from multiple Member States regarding So Myong, a representative of Foreign Trade Bank, <sup>133</sup> located in Vladivostok. Mr. So and Choi Chon Gon, <sup>134</sup> a Russian national, co-own Epsilon Limited Trade Development, reportedly a joint venture of the Russian Federation and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (see para. 171 and annexes 76, 78 and 79). According to a Member State, Epsilon Limited Trade Development may be a front company for Foreign Trade Bank. <sup>135</sup> Commercial databases show that the company was in liquidation as at 10 November 2023. Mr. So reportedly facilitated financial transfers on behalf of designated Democratic People's Republic of Korea banks and weapons trading entities, including the Second Academy of Natural Sciences (KPe.018). One Member State designated Mr. So in June <sup>136</sup> and a second designated him in November. <sup>137</sup> The Russian Federation returned the Panel's letter, stating that the information is based on unilateral sanctions that are outside the scope of the relevant decisions of the Security Council (see annex 80).

#### Access to the international financial system

168. The Panel continued investigations into Chinyong Information Technology Cooperation Company (Chinyong IT), <sup>138</sup> a Democratic People's Republic of Korea company that, according to a Member State, is subordinate to the Ministry of the People's Armed Forces (KPe.054). <sup>139</sup> According to the same Member State, Chinyong IT conducted more than \$50 million worth of transactions from 2017 to 2022 and maintains dozens of bank accounts in China and the Russian Federation to launder illicit revenue acquired by Democratic People's Republic of Korea information technology workers (see annex 81). The accounts reportedly may be in the names of non-Democratic People's Republic of Korea proxies whom Democratic People's Republic of Korea information technology workers pay for use of the accounts. According to the same Member State, the Chinese company Shenyang GoldenPack Technic Development Co., Ltd. (Shenyang GoldenPack) also laundered money on behalf of Chinyong IT, conducting over \$28 million worth of transactions between 2020 and 2022 for Chinyong IT's teams of Democratic People's Republic of Korea

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>132</sup> S/2018/171, para. 162 and annex 43.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>133</sup> Also known as Semyon Semyonovich; date of birth: 2 March 1978; passport No.: 927320285; Russian personal tax identification No.: 254342019464.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>134</sup> Russian personal tax identification No: 650114643613. See S/2021/211, para. 152 and annex 89; and S/2023/656, para. 137.

<sup>135</sup> The Russian Federation informed the Panel in 2019 that Foreign Trade Bank had ceased operations in the country in 2016.

 $<sup>^{136}</sup>$  See www.mofa.go.kr/www/brd/m\_4080/view.do?seq=373848&page=1 .

<sup>137</sup> See https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy1938.

Also known as Jinyong Information Technology Cooperation Company. See S/2023/656, paras. 119–121 and annexes 69 and 70.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>139</sup> Also known as the Ministry of Defence and the Ministry of National Defence.

information technology workers located in the Russian Federation and the Lao People's Democratic Republic, using Chinese bank accounts (see annex 82). The Panel has identified additional companies related to Shenyang GoldenPack that may be connected with this activity (see annex 83). China replied: "Based on thorough investigation conducted on the information provided by the Panel and found no evidence that the relevant banking accounts violated UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK". The Russian Federation replied that it did not find most of the accounts or any evidence linking to the accounts to Chinyong IT (see annex 84). The Lao People's Democratic Republic and Shenyang GoldenPack have yet to reply.

169. The Panel continued investigating the 53 Department (also known as the 53 Bureau) of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, which, according to a Member State, is subordinate to the Ministry of the People's Armed Forces (KPe.054). The 53 Department has reportedly utilized bank accounts in China to remit earnings back to the control of 53 Department headquarters, including funds obtained through work with a third country's armed forces (see annex 85). China replied: "China conducted thorough investigations based on the information provided by the Panel and found no evidence that the relevant banking accounts violated UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK" (see annex 40, OC.167).

## Joint ventures, cooperative entities and illicit business activities

Joint ventures and cooperative entities

170. The Panel investigated information from a Member State that Green Pine Associated Corporation (KPe.010) sought to form an information technology joint venture in 2022 with the Chinese company Yantai Jinmin Industry and Trade Company (see annex 86), and that Zhang Jiashan, a Chinese national, <sup>140</sup> was helping Green Pine to access banking services in 2022. China replied that there was "no evidence that the Yantai Jinmin Industry and Trade Company..., as well as Li Zhenyu and Zhang Jiashan, were engaged in any activities in China that violated UNSC resolutions related to the DPRK" (see annex 40, OC.169).

171. The Panel investigated Russian corporate registry records of 81 companies that may be joint ventures of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Russian Federation or cooperative entities, all of which are fully or partially owned or managed by Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals, as well as 42 Russianregistered Democratic People's Republic of Korea entities. The Panel investigated whether these companies are employing Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals earning income. According to Russian corporate registry records in 2023, these companies were all operational. Three companies appear to be registered at diplomatic properties of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and two appear to have previously bid on and won supply contracts for Russian State agencies. According to a Member State, 24 of these companies also employ a total of more than 5,900 Democratic People's Republic of Korea labourers (see annexes 79 and 87). The Panel is aware of the legalistic position of the Russian Federation (see S/2019/171, annex 74) that "companies having a sole founder who is a citizen of the DPRK ... are registered strictly as Russian limited liability companies, ... making them Russian legal persons" whom the Russian Federation does not consider to be subject to paragraph 18 of Security Council resolution 2375 (2017). In January 2024, the Russian Federation replied that "it was found that 82 legal entities ... do not actually operate" and "under the civil legislation of the Russian Federation, limited liability companies are not joint ventures or cooperative organizations" and thus not subject to Security Council resolutions (for company-specific responses, see annexes 79 and 87).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>140</sup> Identification No.: 210602196209032030.

One individual replied that his nationality was the Republic of Korea, not the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Korean National Insurance Company (KPe.048)

172. The Panel continued investigating Korean National Insurance Company and its reported front or subordinate companies Rainbow Intermediaries, Samhae Insurance Corporation and Polestar Insurance Company. <sup>141</sup> Korean National Insurance Company representatives reportedly operate overseas, including in Nigeria, Pakistan and the Russian Federation, often under diplomatic cover at embassies of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (see table 5 and annex 88). The Russian Federation and Pakistan replied that they did not find evidence that the individuals are representatives of Korean National Insurance Company; Nigeria has not replied.

Table 5
Information on suspected representatives and an associate of Korean National Insurance Company

Name	Suspected Position	Location		
Choe Myong Chol	KNIC Representative	Pakistan		
Jon Hyon Chol	KNIC Representative	Pakistan		
Kim Yong Jin	KNIC Representative	Nigeria		
Sin Jun Chol	KNIC Representative	Russian Federation		
Mun Mi Hwa	PIC Associate	Likely Nigeria		

Abbreviations: KNIC, Korean National Insurance Company; PIC, Polestar Insurance Company. Source: Member States and the Panel.

173. According to a Member State, money received through these companies' reinsurance activities, such as reinsurance contracts and claims settlements, is diverted to the weapons of mass production programmes of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. According to two Member States, a number of companies and individuals have partnered with or knowingly assisted Korean National Insurance Company in developing business opportunities, attempting to collect money and/or facilitating financial transfers of funds – including through cryptocurrency transactions – to the control of the company's headquarters and/or on its behalf (see table 6 and annex 89). Korean National Insurance Company and its front and/or subordinate companies have reportedly utilized many of these companies as intermediaries to receive or send payments on their behalf, explicitly in order to circumvent United Nations sanctions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>141</sup> S/2023/665, para. 136.

Table 6
Reported information on Korean National Insurance Company facilitators

Company	Reported information on engagement with KNIC
Fountain Court Partners	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022
(Nigeria)	
Premium Broking House	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022
(Lebanon)	
Integ Partners (Nigeria)	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022
BK & Associes (Côte	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022
d'Ivoire)	
Millbank Insurance Brokers,	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing
Ltd. (Nigeria)	business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or
	facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters'
	control, between at least 2020 and 2022
QuickLink Insurance Brokers	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing
Ltd. (Nigeria)	business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or
	facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters'
	control, between at least 2020 and 2022
Universal Insurance Plc	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing
(Nigeria)	business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or
	facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters'
	control, between at least 2020 and 2022
Sechuwariis Development	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing
Foundation (Nigeria)	business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or
	facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters'
0 1177 1 701	control, between at least 2020 and 2022
Somitel Ventures Enterprise	Facilitates KNIC's activities in Africa, including through
(Nigeria)	cryptocurrency transactions on KNIC's behalf, as of 2023
New Elements Holdings Co.	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing
Ltd (China)	business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or
	facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters'
7177 1 (71)	control, between at least 2020 and 2022
Li Xianzhu (Chinese	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing
national)	business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or
	facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters'
	control, between at least 2020 and 2022, utilizing Industrial and
	Commercial Bank of China (Asia) Ltd account number
Taining Comment & Land	718823353750
Fairice Survey & Loss	Established a relationship with Samhae Insurance Company in 2019
Adjusting Co., Ltd. (China)	Contracted with Combac Insurance Company for constitution
Kaztec Engineering (Nigeria)	Contracted with Samhae Insurance Company for vessel insurance
	between 2019 and 2020

Abbreviation: KNIC, Korean National Insurance Company. Source: Member States, media report<sup>142</sup> and the Panel.<sup>143</sup>

174. China replied that there was "no evidence that New Elements Holdings Co. Ltd ... was involved in activities that violated the UN Security Council resolutions. Due to incomplete information, the situation of Li Xianzhu could not be verified" (see annex 40, OC.181). BK & Associes replied that it had represented Korean National Insurance Company in courts regarding a 570,000 euro debt collection, earned a judgment in favour of Korean National Insurance Company in March 2019 and continued efforts to enforce the judgment and collect a percentage of the claim, which was paid to Korean National Insurance Company. The Panel awaits replies from the

142 See www.nknews.org/pro/nigerian-firm-wades-into-murky-legal-waters-with-north-korean-insurance-policy.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>143</sup> Regarding Fairicc Survey & Loss Adjusting Co., Ltd, see annex 90.

other companies listed in table 6 as well as dozens of other companies with which Korean National Insurance Company and its front or subordinate companies have reportedly established or tried to establish relationships; most have not replied. <sup>144</sup> Investigations continue.

## Nam Chol Ung

Nam Chol Ung<sup>145</sup> (남철웅, see figure XXVII) reportedly a representative of RGB (KPe.031), who has engaged in multiple activities overseas that contravene Security Council resolutions since at least 2013, including owning or operating companies, resorts, restaurants and a sports complex in the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Thailand, and is able to access the international financial system through bank accounts in these entities' names. Mr. Nam has reportedly been located in Dalian, China, since late 2022. In 2023, he reportedly forged trade contracts to import items into the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, via Dalian, including a shipment of lubricating oil for Sobaeksu United Corporation (reportedly subordinate to the Munitions Industry Department (KPe.028))<sup>146</sup> (see annex 91). China replied that "no information about Nam Chol Ung's involvement in activities in violation of relevant Security Council resolutions in China has been found " (see annex 40, OC.357). The Lao People's Democratic Republic, Thailand and most companies have yet to reply. Investigations continue.

Figure XXVII
Nam Chol Ung



Source: Member State.

One company relayed information regarding a fire facultative reinsurance claim made in 2015 by Korean National Insurance Company for a Democratic People's Republic of Korea pharmaceutical facility, including the possibility that the company had provided inaccurate facility information when advertising the reinsurance contract.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>145</sup> Date of birth: 23 February 1969; Democratic People's Republic of Korea passport No.: 108320231 (expiration date: August 2023). The Lao People's Democratic Republic previously informed the Panel that Mr. Nam had exited the country in September 2019, and had been associated with the Embassy of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>146</sup> See S/2020/840, annex 46; S/2020/151, para. 126 and annex 30; S/2019/691, annex 13; and S/2017/150, paras. 158 and 159, and annex 14.

#### Kim Song Ho

176. The Panel is investigating Kim Song Ho <sup>147</sup> (김성호), an official of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, who, according to multiple Member States, has engaged in activities overseas that contravene Security Council resolutions since at least 2019, including operating restaurants (see para. 157) and commodities transactions with Laotian and Chinese companies (see annex 92). Kim Song Ho was reportedly based in the Lao People's Democratic Republic at least from 2019 to 2021. The Panel awaits replies from the Chinese company and the Lao People's Democratic Republic. Investigations continue.

#### Choe Song Ryong

177. The Panel is investigating Choe Song Ryong <sup>148</sup> (최성룡, also known as Cui Chenglong), a national of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea reportedly based in Beijing. According to a Member State, Choe Song Ryong is linked to Ri Chol Nam, <sup>149</sup> Kim Chol Sok, <sup>150</sup> and RGB (KPe.031), and has reportedly engaged in prohibited activities such as the operation of joint ventures, the employment of Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals at restaurants in China and potential prohibited trade, <sup>151</sup> involving the Chinese companies Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd and Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trade Co Ltd (see annex 93). China replied: "Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd was revoked by the Chinese market supervision department as early as in January 2018. There is no record of Choe Song Ryong or Cui Chenglong serving as shareholders or senior executives in the registered companies in Beijing" (see annex 40, OC.358).

## Other prohibited financial activities

178. The Panel is investigating reports that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has continued to engage in illicit wildlife trafficking to generate illicit revenue. Yun Kil, a diplomat at the Embassy of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in South Africa, was reportedly 152 attempting to traffic \$65 million worth of rhinoceros horn in 2022. South Africa has yet to reply. According to a separate report, 153 two Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals, including the reported intelligence official Yi Kang Dae, allegedly financed and/or otherwise participated in operations on at least two occasions in November 2022 and February 2023 to illicitly smuggle rhinoceros horns and elephant tusks from Botswana to Mozambique, via South Africa and Zimbabwe and involving Malawi citizens, where they were loaded onto a ship for delivery to a third country. South Africa and Botswana replied that they did not identify records or relevant information about this activity. Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi have yet to reply.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>147</sup> Democratic People's Republic of Korea passport Nos.: 108132627 (expiration date: March 2023) and 927220146 (expiration date: April 2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>148</sup> Date of birth: 16 April 1967; Democratic People's Republic of Korea passport Nos.: 108230480 and 836135707.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>149</sup> S/2023/171, paras. 155-158 and annexes 26, 85 and 88.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>150</sup> S/2022/132, paras. 162–165; and S/2023/171, paras. 147 and 148.

<sup>151</sup> Including the potential import of Democratic People's Republic of Korea-origin coal and rare earths.

<sup>152</sup> See https://pyongyangpapers.com/investigations/black-market-rhino-horn-help-boost-dprk-weapons-program.

<sup>153</sup> See www.weekendpost.co.bw/38322/news/north-korea-diplomats-in-suspected-illegal-ivory-trade.

179. The Panel investigated information from a Member State that an official from Chinson General Corporation<sup>154</sup> of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and an official from the Embassy of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in Nigeria travelled to the Niger in 2022 to pick up hundreds of thousands of United States dollars in cash and brought the funds back to Nigeria, likely utilizing diplomatic credentials to avoid scrutiny and baggage inspections, as required by paragraph 18 of Security Council resolution 2270 (2016) and paragraph 13 of resolution 2321 (2016). The Panel notes the importance of taking appropriate measures to prevent illegal bulk cash transfer by Democratic People's Republic of Korea nationals. To the Panel's enquiry, Nigeria and the Niger have yet to reply.

## Illicit generation of revenue through cyberactivities

180. During the reporting period, Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberthreat actors continued targeting the virtual asset industry to evade United Nations sanctions and generate revenue. According to one Member State, the malicious cyberactivities of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea generate approximately 50 per cent of its foreign currency income and are used to fund its weapons programmes. <sup>155</sup> A second Member State reported that 40 per cent of the weapons of mass destruction programmes of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea are funded by illicit cybermeans.

181. Based on industry and media reports, private sector companies and Member State information, the Panel is investigating 17 cryptocurrency heists in 2023 for which the Democratic People's Republic of Korea may be responsible, valued at more than \$750 million (see annex 94). The Panel is further investigating a total of 58 suspected cyberattacks by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on cryptocurrency-related companies between 2017 and 2023, valued at approximately \$3 billion (see annex 95). One cybercompany branded the Democratic People's Republic of Korea the "world's most prolific cyber-thief". 156

182. Malicious cyberactors of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea employed the following patterns to steal funds from cryptocurrency industry-related companies (see annex 96):

- Attack vectors:
  - o Phishing lures
  - o Social engineering
  - o Weak code/protocols and human error
  - o Third party (supply chain)
- Cryptocurrency laundering (layering):
  - o Theft of multiple assets
  - o Hundreds to thousands of intermediary addresses
  - o Use of the Bitcoin network
  - o Asset swapping via decentralized and centralized exchanges

<sup>154</sup> Chinson General Corporation has reportedly been linked to medical workers earning income overseas after 22 December 2019 (see https://pyongyangpapers.com/investigations/dprkhospitals-linked-to-malpractice-in-nigeria).

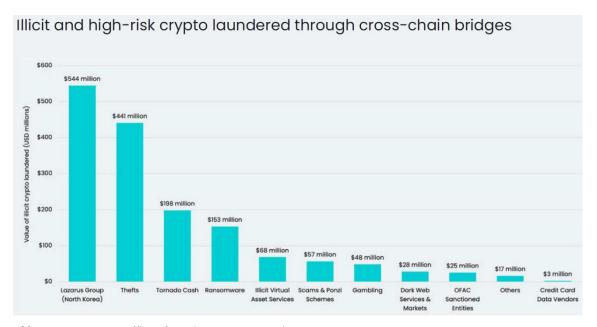
<sup>155</sup> See www.ibtimes.com/north-korea-earns-half-its-foreign-currency-income-hacks-cyberattacks-biden-official-3697701.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>156</sup> See www.trmlabs.com/post/north-korean-hackers-stole-600-million-in-crypto-in-2023.

- o Increasing use of chain hopping
- o Bridging (see figure XXVIII)
- o Instant exchange services
- o Mixers and privacy protocols
- o Moving through multiple chains, including uncommon tokens
- o Speed to prevent freezing of funds
- o Increasing reliance on services based in neighbouring countries (Russian Federation and China)
- Cashout (integration):
  - o Affinity for TRON blockchain and stablecoins, especially Tether (USDT)
  - o Heavy reliance on third party launderers and over-the-counter brokers (high volume, high-value addresses)<sup>157</sup>
  - o Purchased credentials and compromised accounts
  - o Less reliance on centralized exchanges

Figure XXVIII

Reported Lazarus Group usage of bridges, 2023



Abbreviation: OFAC, Office of Foreign Assets Control.

Source: www.elliptic.co/resources/state-of-cross-chain-crime-2023.

183. One cryptocurrency service reported the seizure of approximately \$5.8 million worth of Democratic People's Republic of Korea-linked cryptocurrency transfers in late 2023, after which Democratic People's Republic of Korea-related activity on the platform decreased significantly. Relevant Democratic People's Republic of Korea-associated wallet, email and Internet Protocol addresses are provided in annex 97. A

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S/2023/656, para. 142. A blockchain company told the Panel in October 2023 that Wu Huihui and Cheng Hung Man, over-the-counter traders, are still actively converting a large portion of Democratic People's Republic of Korea-stolen cryptocurrency funds into fiat currency.

second service reported a "surge" in cyberactivities involving Democratic People's Republic of Korea-affiliated actors in 2023 and blocked more than 1,600 associated cryptocurrency addresses. A cybersecurity company told the Panel that when services and protocols take action such as freezing funds, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea actors quickly pivot to a different service.

## ScarCruft (APT 37)

184. ScarCruft<sup>158</sup> exploited a WinRAR software vulnerability (CVE-2023-38831) to launch its reportedly first-ever identified attack on the cryptocurrency industry. <sup>159</sup> ScarCruft reportedly used a malicious payload disguised as a cryptocurrency wallet screenshot to deliver a payload (see figure XXIX). Once malicious ZIP files were extracted and executed, the malware can allow threat actors to withdraw money from victims' accounts. <sup>160</sup>

Figure XXIX

Reported screenshot of ScarCruft malware file

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Source: https://paper.seebug.org/3033.

## Kimsuky (APT 43)

185. Kimsuky actors obtained cryptocurrency through mining, semi-legitimate service provision and cybercrime operations such as scams, thefts, fraud, cryptojacking and extortion campaigns to obfuscate their transactions and fund espionage operations – including the purchase of hardware, operational infrastructure, and hash rental and cloud mining services – to launder stolen cryptocurrency (see figure XXX). <sup>161</sup> Kimsuky has reportedly cryptojacked "hundreds, if not thousands", of victims. Kimsuky has been observed mining Monero (XMR), likely receiving payouts in other currencies, such as Ethereum (ETH).

186. According to a Member State law enforcement agency, Kimsuky actors in 2023 stole email and other account information from 1,468 individuals, including dozens

<sup>158</sup> Historically subordinate to the Ministry of State Security of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

<sup>159</sup> See https://paper.seebug.org/3033.

<sup>160</sup> See www.group-ib.com/blog/cve-2023-38831-winrar-zero-day.

See www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/apt43-north-korea-cybercrime-espionage, www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/north-korea-cyber-structure-alignment-2023 and www.chainalysis.com/blog/kimsuky-south-korea-sanctions-june-2023.

of government officials. Kimsuky reportedly attempted to steal virtual assets from 19 of the victims utilizing pilfered account credentials and engaged in cryptocurrency mining on servers taken over through this campaign. 162 In November, two additional Member States designated Kimsuky (see annex 98). 163

Figure XXX Reported Kimsuky cybercrime operations

#### Dear B.

We would like to inform you that your Bitcoin payment for \$120.00 has been added into your Namecheap account. You can now use the account balance to purchase or renew products on Namecheap.com.

: BRoyal1990 Username Transaction Id: 82073030

Transaction Ref. GKRwiyWiTTUXreqpvxNv4A

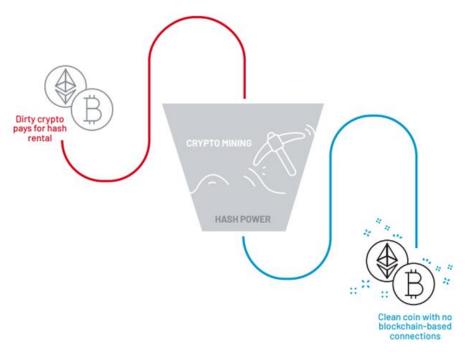
Amount : \$120.00

You can find more information about this transaction on our Add Funds History page located at https://manage.www.namecheap.com/myaccount/reports/funds-report.asp.

If you have any questions, please contact our support at http://www.namecheap.com/support

Thank you.

Namecheap.com Support



Source: www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/apt43-north-korea-cybercrime-espionage.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>162</sup> See https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20231121006800315?section=national/national and S/2023/656, annex 63.

<sup>163</sup> See https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy1938, https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/press/ release/pressit 000001 00026.html.

#### Andariel

187. Andariel infiltrated financial institutions' websites and stole a further \$360,000 worth of Bitcoin (BTC) through ransomware attacks on three companies (see also para. 134). <sup>164</sup> Some of these funds are believed to have been taken into the Democratic People's Republic of Korea by conversion into fiat currency through third-country cryptocurrency exchanges and a facilitator, transferred to a third-country bank account and withdrawn at a bank near the China-Democratic People's Republic of Korea border. Andariel used ransomware campaigns to fund additional malicious activity, especially cyberespionage operations, throughout 2022. <sup>165</sup>

## Cryptocurrency and financial industry targeting

188. The Lazarus Group and BlueNoroff are deploying phishing campaigns on multiple platforms targeting workers in the cryptocurrency industry, including blockchain engineers and other developers, to gain access to company networks for follow-on attacks (see figure XXXI and annex 99). In addition, Democratic People's Republic of Korea actors are deploying multiple complex attack stages with varying defensive evasion techniques, initiating contact and hosting malware on various platforms. <sup>166</sup>

Figure XXXI
Reported targeting by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea



Source: https://twitter.com/KSeznec/status/1717542794942660771.

189. BlueNoroff actors were spoofing financial institutions and venture capital firms in Japan, Viet Nam and the United States to trick potential victims into opening malicious content or providing login credentials (see annex 100). 167

#### Ransomware

190. Lazarus Group actors collaborated with a Republic of Korea company to distribute ransomware and collected approximately \$2.6 million in recovery costs

See www.recordedfuture.com/north-korea-aligned-tag-71-spoofs-financial-institutions, www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2023/12/103\_364423.html, www.yna.co.kr/view/AKR20231204049700004, https://boannews.com/media/view.asp?idx=124405 and https://english.chosun.com/site/data/html\_dir/2023/12/05/2023120501179.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>165</sup> See www.mandiant.com/resources/blog/north-korea-cyber-structure-alignment-2023.

<sup>166</sup> See https://hub.elliptic.co/analysis/has-a-sanctioned-bitcoin-mixer-been-resurrected-to-aid-north-korea-s-lazarus-group.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>167</sup> See www.recordedfuture.com/north-korea-aligned-tag-71-spoofs-financial-institutions.

from more than 700 victims. Some proceeds were reportedly transferred to a cryptocurrency wallet owned by the Lazarus Group. 168

#### Recommendations

- 191. The Panel recommends that the Committee consider the designation of:
  - (a) Nam Chol Ung;
  - (b) The Lazarus Group, Andariel, BlueNoroff, ScarCruft and Kimsuky. 169
- 192. The Panel reiterates its recommendations that Member States implement as soon as possible the Financial Action Task Force guidance on virtual assets and virtual asset service providers.
- 193. The Panel encourages Member States, businesses and private individuals to devote appropriate attention to increased cyberhygiene, including effective cybersecurity practices compiled in annex 101, in order to counter the circumvention by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea of Security Council resolutions via cyberactivities.
- 194. The Panel recommends that private sector entities review information released by Member States and cybersecurity companies regarding Democratic People's Republic of Korea-linked virtual currency addresses and be vigilant in guarding against transactions directly with, or derived from, those addresses.
- 195. The Panel recommends that Member States consider establishing systems for reporting and sharing Democratic People's Republic of Korea-related cyberthreat information with the cryptocurrency industry and private sector.
- 196. The Panel recommends that all cryptocurrency platforms and protocols including decentralized and centralized exchanges, bridges, instant exchange services, mixers and privacy protocols implement appropriate anti-money-laundering and know-your-customer programmes and establish procedures and enhanced monitoring and detection mechanisms to identify possible Democratic People's Republic of Korea transactions, such as rules based on user behaviour patterns and system configuration analytics, <sup>170</sup> to better prevent illicit Democratic People's Republic of Korea cyberactors from abusing these services (see also annex 101).
- 197. The Panel encourages Member States to conduct virtual asset risk assessments and to include proliferation finance and Democratic People's Republic of Korea-related considerations as part of the assessments.

# VI. Unintended humanitarian effects of sanctions

198. The Security Council has repeatedly reaffirmed that United Nations sanctions are not intended to have adverse humanitarian consequences for the civilian population of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and that it is the primary responsibility and need of the country to fully provide for the livelihood and needs of its people. The Panel continued to monitor available information related to the effects

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See www.spo.go.kr/site/spo/ex/board/View.do?cbIdx=1403&bcIdx=1043403, www.chosun.com/national/2023/10/27/AY6DLNSW4FFDHAKPHVFTPP2UNE and www.donga.com/news/Society/article/all/20231128/122390037/1.

<sup>169</sup> Two members of the Panel are of the view that further investigation should be made for a recommendation to designate these cyberactors.

<sup>170</sup> In addition to "traditional" transaction screening based on sanctions lists, publicly identified wallet addresses, etc.

of sanctions on humanitarian situation and on humanitarian assistance to the country, pursuant to paragraphs 24 and 25 of resolution 2397 (2017), resolution 2664 (2022) and other relevant resolutions.

#### **Humanitarian situation**

199. The Panel continues to recognize the lack of reliable data on the humanitarian situation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the absence of a methodology that disaggregates the consequences of multilateral sanctions from other factors.

200. United Nations entities, Member States and non-governmental organizations continue to assess that the humanitarian situation is deteriorating. This is possibly a combination of many factors, including the country's socioeconomic policies prioritizing weapons of mass destruction and ballistic missile programmes, the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting border closure, natural disasters, the low prioritization that the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea accords to humanitarian aid, as well as the unintended effects of sanctions.

201. The second half of 2023 saw several positive developments, including a reduction in food prices to levels not seen since 2019 as a result of a "decent fall harvest in a number of different crops"<sup>171</sup> and partial "normalization" of imports of food and consumer goods as well as the increase of some life-saving humanitarian assistance. However, these improvements were not uniformly distributed throughout the country and about 11.3 million people remained in need of assistance in 2023. <sup>172</sup>

202. Various sources<sup>173</sup> suggest that in 2023 the Democratic People's Republic of Korea authorities increased attention to population livelihood, agriculture and grain production. <sup>174</sup> The Democratic People's Republic of Korea constructed housing, consumer goods factories, greenhouses, medical facilities and recreational objects, including those for children, declared achievements in light industry and fishing and markedly increased imports of rice, crops and fertilizers (see annex 104). <sup>175</sup> The country also declared as a priority improving "farm machine industry".

203. Although difficult to specify precisely, based on its previous assessments <sup>176</sup> and information from Member States, humanitarian actors and independent experts, the Panel notes that, even as the relative influence of sanctions has lessened since early 2020, there can be little doubt that United Nations sanctions and their implementation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>171</sup> A Member State estimated that the harvest was 4.82 million tons, up 6 per cent from 2022 (see www.rda.go.kr/board/board.do?mode=view&prgId=day\_farmprmninfoEntry&dataNo=10000079 2230).

<sup>172</sup> See www.fao.org/documents/card/en/c/cc3017en.

<sup>173</sup> See https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1703628420-682804747/9th-Plenary-Meeting-of-8th-WPK-Central-Committee-Held, http://rodong.rep.kp/ko/index.php?MTJAMjAyMy0xMS0xMC1OMDMwQDE1QDJAQDBAMzA== and https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1676538621-757268758/ground-breaking-ceremony-of-kangdong-greenhouse-farm-held-respected-comrade-kim-jong-un-attends-ceremony-and-shovels-first-spadeful-of-earth/;b.

<sup>174</sup> The "12 goals for the national economic development" were declared "attained", of which grain production was prioritized since the start of 2023, at the ninth plenary meeting of the Eighth Central Committee of the Workers Party in December See <a href="https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1687168989-888004479/Report-on-8th-Enlarged-Plenary-Meeting-of-8th-WPK-Central-Committee">https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1704024510-989741431/Report-on-9th-Enlarged-Plenum-of-8th-WPK-Central-Committee</a>.

<sup>175</sup> See www.nknews.org/pro/north-korean-rice-imports-from-china-drop-amid-alleged-arms-trade-with-russia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>176</sup> S/2019/171, para. 176; S/2019/691, para. 83; S/2020/151, para. 209; S/2020/840, paras. 156–158 and 160; S/2021/211, paras. 168–171; S/2021/777, paras. 174–178; S/2022/132, paras. 187–190; S/2022/668, paras. 163–166; and S/2023/171, paras. 179 and 180.

have unintentionally affected the humanitarian situation and some aspects of aid operations, exacerbating the problems caused by the country's inefficient and ineffective economic policies. The implications might include:

- (a) The country's response to sanctions, through which the elites have tightened economic, social and political control, centralized economic management and depressed grass-roots marketization and the market sector; 177
- (b) In response to a 90 per cent decline in recorded export earnings after the adoption of the Security Council resolutions in 2016 and 2017 (see annexes 102 and 104), <sup>178</sup> the Democratic People's Republic of Korea likely prioritized the procurement of military-related commodities and technologies over imports of consumer items and food, although the Panel does not have the necessary financial data; <sup>179,180</sup>
- (c) Against the background of the country's import priorities, commodity import restrictions contributed to ongoing, albeit lessened in 2023, shortages of agricultural equipment<sup>181</sup> and fuel, exacerbating the low level of agriculture; <sup>182</sup>
- (d) Procurement of other machinery items such as some water, sanitation and hygiene and irrigation equipment, spare parts and related materials may have also been similarly affected;
- (e) The import restriction on refined petroleum may have had an impact on the operation of coal-powered thermal plants, possibly contributing to energy shortages, although some statistics show steady total energy production (see annex 105). Import restrictions may have further affected already extremely limited transportation capacity;
- (f) Decrease in sources of livelihood for those employed in industries affected by sanctions and the persistence of resulting unemployment (see annex 106);
- (g) Disruptions in medical supply chains resulting from a decrease in export earnings and a direct import ban on metals and equipment, against the background of the country's import priorities; 183,184
- (h) In some cases, overcompliance with sanctions by some actors involved in performing deliveries of consumer and humanitarian goods, even those not restricted by United Nations sanctions.

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 $<sup>^{177}\,</sup>$  S/2019/171, para. 176; S/2019/691, para. 83; and S/2020/151, para. 209.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>178</sup> For example, the earnings from the principal export commodity, coal, comprising about half of earnings in the mid-2010s, dried up. See annex 103.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>179</sup> The Panel notes that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea earns revenue from sources other than exports, such as cyberactivity (see paras. 180–190).

The COVID-19-related border closures by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea further reduced the country's exports/earnings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>181</sup> In 2022, the munitions industry of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea produced 5,500 farm machines; in September 2023, the country announced that its munitions industry and machine-building industry had produced more than 10,000 farm machines. One expert noted the use of imported components in these machines (see <a href="https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1664356199-252182552/kim-jong-un-sends-farm-machines-to-south-hwanghae-province">https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1664356199-252182552/kim-jong-un-sends-farm-machines-to-south-hwanghae-province</a>).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>182</sup> S/2019/171, annexes 86 and 87.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>183</sup> For example, according to one aid organization, most health-related procurements have metal components and "at least one manufacturer of lifesaving medicines in a European country refused procurement orders for shipment of medicines to [the Democratic People's Republic of Korea] citing the [Security Council's] sanctions" (see annex 108).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>184</sup> Medicines and medical supplies are not prohibited from being exported to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, while humanitarian organizations have made efforts to render relevant supplies to the country through the established and well-functioning exemption process for humanitarian purposes.

204. Before the pandemic, the scale of humanitarian assistance accounted for approximately \$2 per capita annually; after a three-year virtual cessation of assistance due to the border closure by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, United Nations assistance (life-saving assistance to particularly at-risk groups) increased in 2023, accounting for about \$0.50 per capita. However, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea has become reluctant to accept assistance, and against this background humanitarian assistance cannot fully alleviate any unintended effects of sanctions on the vulnerable.

## Operations of humanitarian organizations

205. The Panel engaged humanitarian aid actors, Member States and United Nations agencies, and continued the practice of sending its questionnaire to humanitarian organizations (see annex 107), the anonymized responses to which are included in annex 108.

206. Humanitarian organizations reported that barriers to providing humanitarian aid include the inability of their staff to enter the country and to monitor assistance provision; the lack of data to identify needs; impacts or exacerbations of sanctions, including additional work to complete the exemptions process; reduced donor interest; higher procurement and transport costs; limitations on project types; de-risking and overcompliance; the continued absence of banking channels; and the policies and bureaucratic complexity of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

207. Some organizations told the Panel that, in view of the current border restrictions by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, United Nations sanctions do not have a major direct effect on the humanitarian situation or aid provision. Two organizations noted the combined negative impact of the border closure and sanctions on the humanitarian situation and aid provision. One organization noted that de-risking and overcompliance in all chains of aid operations was a major problem. According to a Member State, increased militarization of the civilian economy <sup>185</sup> further complicates humanitarian aid activities in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

208. The majority of the responding organizations do not expect to be able to resume operations in the near future.

209. The majority of responding organizations continue to report satisfaction with the improved exemption process. <sup>186</sup> A Member State and several organizations, however, continued to recommend a longer exemption period or automatic extensions of exemptions, resolution of the banking channel issue and standing exemptions for certain low-risk products (a "white" or "green" list).

210. The Committee has granted seven new exemptions and 20 extensions of humanitarian assistance during the reporting period.

### Recommendations

- 211. The Panel values the biannual briefings by the relevant United Nations entities on the unintended impact of sanctions and continues to recommend that the Committee continue this practice.
- 212. The Panel recommends that the Committee continue to emphasize the importance of re-establishing a durable banking channel for humanitarian

<sup>185</sup> See, for instance, www.thedrive.com/the-war-zone/north-korea-debuts-rocket-launchers-that-appear-as-civilian-trucks and https://twitter.com/nknewsorg/status/1700375804902031582.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>186</sup> As described in Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7.

operations in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and recommends that the Committee prioritize addressing this issue.

- 213. The Panel recommends that the Committee discuss with relevant regulators possible guidance to mitigate the problem of banks and other institutions de-risking when Democratic People's Republic of Korea sanctions are involved.
- 214. The Panel recommends that the Secretariat continue to explore ways with United Nations agencies and non-governmental organizations to transfer funds for their humanitarian assistance programmes in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea following the breakdown of a banking channel arrangement.
- 215. The Panel reiterates its previous recommendations that:
  - In the context of the implementation of Security Council resolution 2664 (2022), the United Nations system, including the Committee, take into account information provided by humanitarian actors on the mitigation of the potential adverse impact of United Nations sanctions on the civilian population and on humanitarian assistance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea;
  - The Security Council continue to address issues and processes that mitigate the potential unintended adverse impact of sanctions on the civilian population of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in relation to humanitarian aid operations;
  - The Committee and other relevant stakeholders continue to practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies;
  - The Committee consider more active outreach with civil society providing humanitarian assistance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to help to implement Security Council resolution 2664 (2022);
  - The Committee practically consider the idea of renewable and standing exemptions for humanitarian aid actors and humanitarian-related commodities.

# VII. National implementation reports

## Status of Member State reporting on the implementation of relevant resolutions

216. By 26 January 2024, 66 Member States had submitted reports on their implementation of paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 2397 (2017), 81 Member States on paragraph 17 of resolution 2397 (2017), 95 Member States on resolution 2375 (2017), 90 Member States on resolution 2371 (2017), 107 Member States on resolution 2321 (2016) and 115 Member States on resolution 2270 (2016). Despite the increase in overall reporting, the Panel notes that the number of non-reporting Member States (127) for resolution 2397 (2017) remains significant.

217. The Panel notes that only 130 of 193 Member States had submitted at least one national implementation report by December 2023. This means that nearly one third of all Member States have never submitted a national implementation report to the Security Council and are therefore not meeting their resolution obligations.

218. To better understand and assist in improving the submissions of national implementation reports by Member States, in December 2023, the Panel addressed letters to 62 Member States regarding this obligation and offered assistance (see annex 109). Two responses to the Panel's enquiries are provided in annex 110.

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219. The overall response rate for the Panel's enquiries addressed to Member States and relevant entities and individuals remains low. The Panel wishes to recall that the Security Council has called on all States, relevant United Nations bodies and other interested parties to fully cooperate with the Panel by supplying information at their disposal.

# VIII. Recommendations

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# Annex 1: IAEA Director General statement on recent developments in the DPRK's nuclear programme (21 December 2023)

In my opening statement to the Board on 22 November, I reported that we had observed increased levels of activity at, and near, the Light Water Reactor (LWR) at Yongbyon, and also – since mid-October – a strong water outflow from its cooling system. These observations were consistent with the commissioning of the LWR.

More recent observations indicate that this water discharge is warm, which is also consistent with ongoing commissioning of the LWR, a process that takes some time for any new reactor. **However, the discharge of warm water is indicative the reactor has reached criticality.** It remains the case that without access to the facility the Agency cannot confirm its operational status.

The LWR, like any nuclear reactor, can produce plutonium in its irradiated fuel, which can be separated during reprocessing, so this is a cause for concern.

Concerning the safety of the LWR, we do not have sufficient information to make an assessment. Of course, safety should always be the paramount issue when starting a new reactor. Nuclear safety is a sovereign responsibility of the State and the IAEA supports the States in this area.

I repeat that the further development of the DPRK's nuclear programme, including the construction and operation of the LWR, is a violation of UN Security Council resolutions and is deeply regrettable.

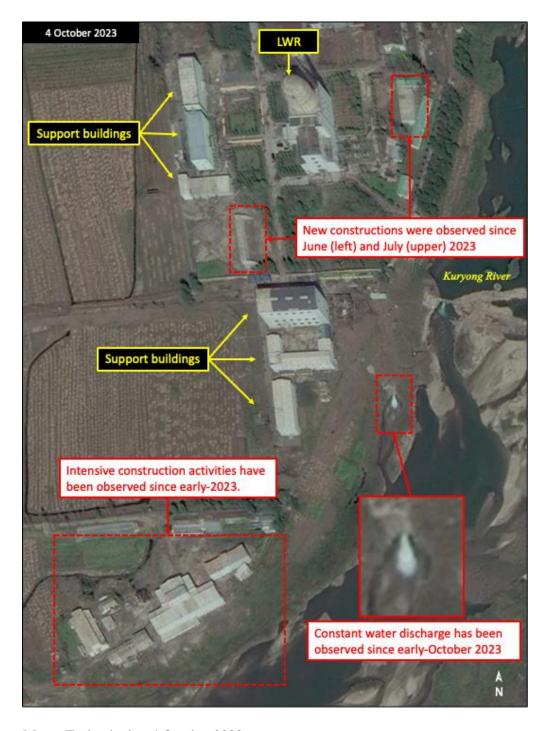
I call upon the DPRK to comply fully with its obligations under Security Council resolutions, to cooperate promptly with the Agency in the full and effective implementation of its NPT Safeguards Agreement and to resolve all outstanding issues, especially those that have arisen during the absence of Agency inspectors from the country. The Agency is ready to engage on any of the above issues, including safety.

*Source*: IAEA, <a href="https://www.iaea.org/newscenter/pressreleases/iaea-director-general-statement-on-recent-developments-in-the-dprks-nuclear-programme">https://www.iaea.org/newscenter/pressreleases/iaea-director-general-statement-on-recent-developments-in-the-dprks-nuclear-programme</a> (underlined and bolded by the Panel).

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## Annex 2: Activities at LWR (39° 47′ 45″ N 125° 45′ 18″ E)

\*In the annexes of the nuclear section, annotations in red boxes are observations during the reporting period, while those with yellow characters in black boxes are previous observations.



Source: Maxar Technologies, 4 October 2023.

## 1) Water discharge



Source: Planet Labs., 25 November 2023, 17 December 2023.

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Source: Planet Labs., 21 December 2023, Maxar Technologies, 14 January 2024.

#### 2) The observation of past trenching works from LWR to water discharging points

Satellite imagery analysis showed efforts of trenching works which appeared to connect LWR to multiple discharging points since between 2012 and 2013. Possible earlier efforts of water discharge were detected in 2013 near current discharging point. According to the IAEA, indications of tests of cooling water system were observed occasionally since 2019. The Panel reported in 2017 that hot water was discharged through the drainage channel of LWR, suggesting a possible test of the cooling water system in 2017. Additional trenching works and modification of the riverbank were conducted around the current discharging points since then.



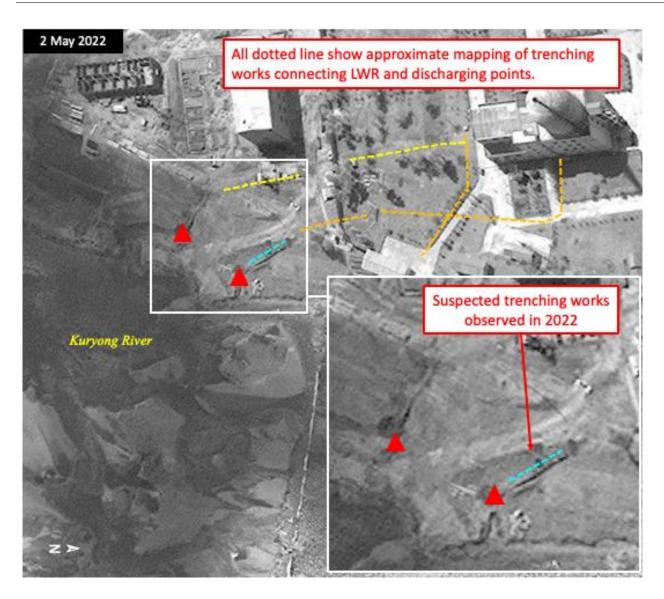
Source: Google Earth Pro, 26 January 2024.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>187</sup> See also https://www.38north.org/2019/12/yongbyon120519/, https://fsi.stanford.edu/publication/north-korean-nuclear-facilities-after-agreed-framework, and https://isis-online.org/isis-reports/detail/north-koreas-elwr-finally-operational-after-a-long-delay/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>188</sup> IAEA, GOV/2022/40-GC (66), para 46.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>189</sup> S/2017/742, para 17.



Source: Maxar Technologies, 2 May 2023.

## 3) Construction activities near the reactor (39° 47′ 45″ N 125° 45′ 21″ E)



Source: Maxar Technologies, 21 July 2023, 8 August 2023, 3 November 2023, 10 December 2023.

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## 4) Construction activities at far south area of LWR (39° 47′ 33″ N 125° 45′ 13″ E)



*Source*: Planet Labs, 26 February 2023, Maxar Technologies, 1 April 2023, 4 June 2023, 21 July 2023, Planet Labs, 24 November 2023.

## Annex 3: Activities at 5MW(e) reactor (39° 47′ 51" N 125° 45′ 20" E)

\*In the annexes of the nuclear section, annotations in red boxes are observations during the reporting period, while those with yellow characters in black boxes are previous observations.



Source: Maxar Technologies, 23 September 2023, Planet Labs, 12 October 2023.

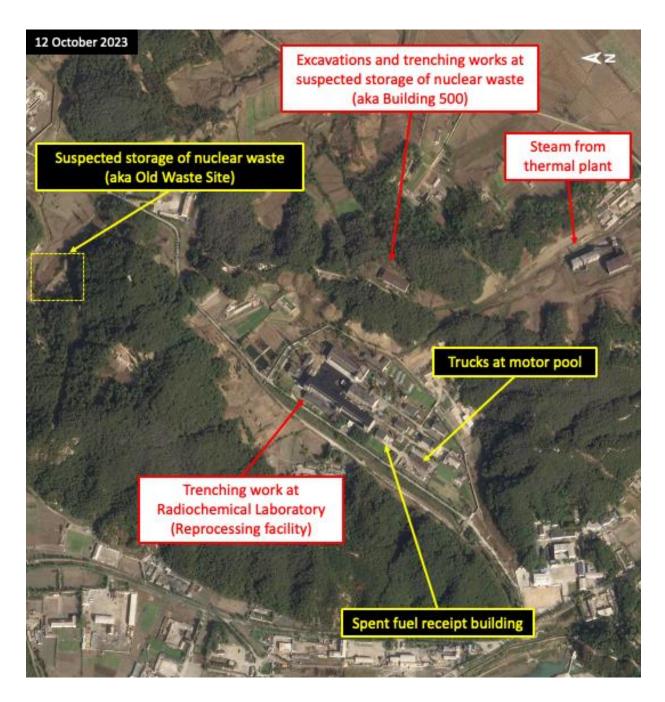
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Source: Maxar Technologies, 7 November 2023, Planet Labs, 6 January 2024.

## Annex 4: Radiochemical Laboratory (39° 46′ 50" N 125° 45′ 08" E)

\*In the annexes of the nuclear section, annotations in red boxes are observations during the reporting period, while those with yellow characters in black boxes are previous observations.



Source: Planet Labs, 12 October 2023.

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## 1) Smoke from thermal plant (39° 46′ 34″ N 125° 45′ 26″ E)





Source: Maxar Technologies, 21 July 2023, Planet Labs, 31 July 2023.

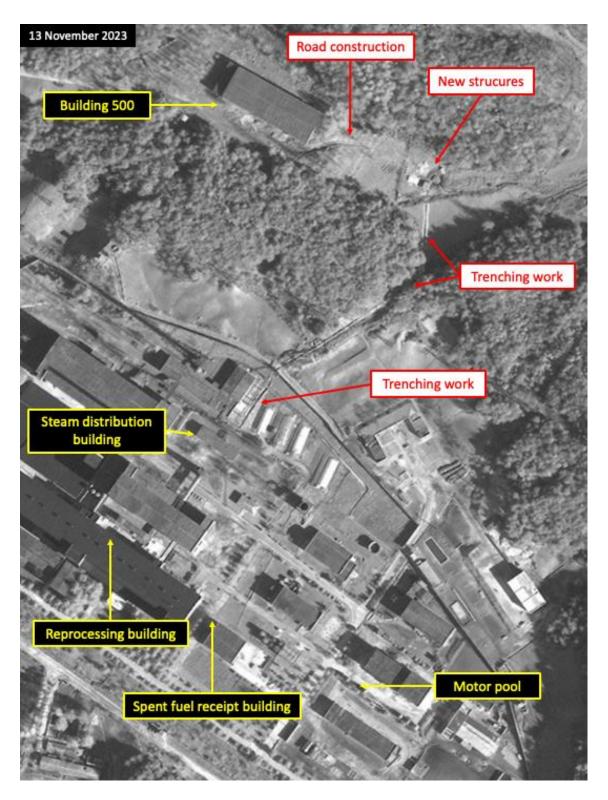
## 2) Activities at Building 500 (39° 46′ 49″ N 125° 45′ 23″ E)



Source: Maxar Technologies, 16 June 2023, 25 June 2023.

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## 3) Trenching work between Building 500 and Reprocessing facility



Source: Maxar Technologies, 13 November 2023.



Source: Maxar Technologies, 24 October 2023, 30 October 2023, 7 November 2023, 13 November 2023.

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#### Annex 5: Activities at the Yongbyon Nuclear Fuel Rod Fabrication Plant (39°46′15″N 125°44′57″E)

\*In the annexes of the nuclear section, annotations in red boxes are observations during the reporting period, while those with yellow characters in black boxes are previous observations.



Source: Maxar Technologies, 4 October 2023.

## 1) Activities at UF4 production process building (39° 46′ 09" N 125° 44′ 55" E)

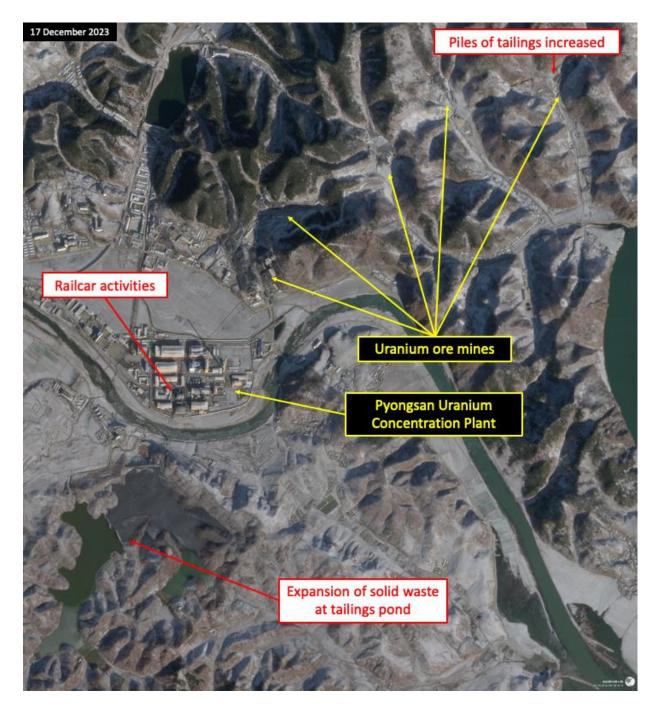


Source: Planet Labs, 12 October 2023, Maxar Technologies, 24 October 2023.

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# Annex 6: Activities at Pyongsan Uranium Mine and Concentration Plant (Location of the possible yellowcake production building at 38° 19′ 04″ N 126° 25′ 54″ E)

\*In the annexes of the nuclear section, annotations in red boxes are observations during the reporting period, while those with yellow characters in black boxes are previous observations.



Source: Planet Labs, 17 December 2023.

## 1) Expansion of the piles of tailings at the mines (38° 19′ 57" N 126° 27′ 21" E)



Source: Planet Labs, 16 June 2023, 17 December 2023.

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## 2) Railcar activities at the Plant (38° 19′ 02″ N 126° 25′ 54″ E)



Source: Maxar Technologies, 30 July 2023, 2 October 2023, 17 December 2023.

## 3) Tailings pond of Pyongsan Uranium Concentration Plant (38° 18′ 42″ N 126° 25′ 50″ E)





Source: Planet Labs, 16 June 2023, 17 December 2023.

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Annex 7: Activities at Punggye-ri nuclear test site (41° 16′ 41″ N 129° 05′ 15″ E)



Source: Maxar Technologies, 14 November 2023.

# 1) Activities near Tunnel 3 (41° 16′ 35″ N 129° 05′ 16″ E) and administrative area (41° 16′ 41″ N 129° 05′ 15″ E)

\*In the annexes of the nuclear section, annotations in red boxes are observations during the reporting period, while those with yellow characters in black boxes are previous observations.



Source: Maxar Technologies, 7 March 2023.

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2) Activities near Tunnel 4 (41° 16′ 46″ N 129° 05′ 08″ E)



Source: Maxar Technologies, 15 October 2023.

#### **Annex 8: Activities at Kangson and Yongdoktong**

The Panel continues to monitor activities in the vicinity of Kangson, an alleged clandestine uranium enrichment facility and Yongdoktong area, which is believed to be involved in DPRK's nuclear weapons programme, including as a nuclear weapons storage facility. The Panel observed constant presence of vehicles at Kangson. Available satellite images showed no significant activities at suspected nuclear weapons storage facility.

Kangson (38° 57′ 26″ N 125° 36′ 43″ E)



Source: Maxar Technologies, 17 December 2023, 11 January 2024.

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**Annex 9:** Ballistic missiles launches by the DPRK from 29 July 2023 to 26 January 2024 Official DPRK statements are in *italics*. / Mentions of solid propellant (SP) engines.

Launches in the year	Date and time (local)	Reported type	Number of missiles	Reported launch location and trajectory	Reported distance travelled (km)	Raportad apogae (km)	Ramarks	DPRK reports
14. SP	30 Aug. 2023 23:38 and 23:46	SRBM KN-24	2	From the Sunan International airport to Alsom island.	350 and 400 (JPN)	50 (JPN)	Appears to be a Hwasong 11Na (KN-24). Pictures show air bursts high above the target island.	The missile unit fired two tactical ballistic missiles northeastward at Pyongyang International Airport and correctly carried out its nuclear strike mission through air bursts at a preset altitude of 400 meters. (KCNA, 31 August 2023)
15. SP	13 Sept. 2023 11:43 to 11:53 (ROK) 11:41 and 11:51 (JPN)	SRBM KN-23 (probable)	2	From an area in and around Sunan into the sea east of the peninsula.	650 (ROK) 400 (JPN)	50 (JPN)	Possibly "irregular" trajectory (JPN). Kim Jong Un was in the Russian Federation at the time of the launches.	No statement.
16. SP	17 Dec. 2023 22:38 (ROK) and 22:37 (JPN)	SRBM	2	From around the Pyongyang area towards the sea east of the peninsula.	570 (ROK) Appx. 400 (JPN)	50 (JPN)		No statement.
17. SP	18 Dec. 2023 08:24	ICBM Hwasong-18	2	From nearby Pyongyang to the East, falling in the sea approximately 250 kilometers northwest of the Okushiri Islands in Hokkaido.	1 000 (JPN)	6 000 (JPN)	Kim Jong Un attended. The location of the launch is slightly different from the one used on 13 April and 12 July 2023.	The drill was aimed to review the combat readiness of the DPRK's nuclear war deterrence and confirm its mobility, combat capability and reliabilityGeneral Jang Chang Ha, general director of the General Missile Bureau, issued a launch order to the Second Red Flag Company The missile traveled up to a maximum altitude of 6 518.2 km and flew a distance of 1 002.3 km for 4 415s before accurately landing on the preset area in the open waters off the East Sea of Korea. (KCNA, 19 December 2023)
1. SP	14 Jan. 2024 14:53	Possible IRBM		Toward the North-east, falling in the sea east of the Korean Peninsula.	50 (JPN)	1 000 (ROK) Over 500 (JPN)	Presumed to be an IRBM by the ROK JCS. The DPRK alleged it carried a maneuverable controlled warhead.	The DPRK Missile Administration conducted a test-fire of an intermediate-range solid-fuel ballistic missile loaded with a hypersonic maneuverable controlled warhead. (KCNA, 14 January 2024).

Source: Member States, the Panel, KCNA.

Annex 10: Weapons systems shown at the 27 July 2023 military parade which use ballistic missile technology

10.1. SRBM KN-23. Also shown in 2023 at the 8 February 2023 parade. First declared test on 4 May 2019.







Source: KCTV.

## SRBM Hwasong 11Ga (or standard "KN-23")

- Solid propellant.
- Maximum range: over 600 km.
   Possible launches in 2022 and 2023 of Hwasong 11/Ga missiles show a range extending to 900 km.
- Unveiled at a 4 May 2019 test and presented at the military parade on 10 October 2020. Multiple launches in 2022 and 2023. On 19 March 2023, the missile fired (seemingly from a silo) was described as a "tactical ballistic missile tipped with a mock nuclear warhead".
- Four versions incl. a navalized one.
- 12 missiles shown.
- 4-axle wheeled TELs.
- See S/2023/656, para.17, 18, 20, 24, Annex 10, 13, 22
- S/2023/171, para.29, fig.5, tab.1, annexes 24 and 25,
- S/2022/668, fig.6, 12, 14, 15, 17, tab. 1, annexes 14, 18, 22, 23.
- S/2022/132, para.25, fig.10, tab.1, annex 21, fig.21-4
- S/2021/211, fig.1, annex 12
- S/2020/840, para.11, tab.1, annex 7
- S/2020/151, para.194, tab.3, annex 58

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10.2. SRBM KN-24. Also shown at the 8 February 2023 parade. First declared test on 10 August 2019 (then described as "a tactical guided weapon").



Source: KCTV.

## Probable SRBM Hwasong 11Na (or "KN-24")

- Solid propellant.
- Maximum range: 370 to 400 km.
- Last identified launch on 30 August 2023. First tested on 10 August 2019.
- Unveiled at a 10 August 2019 test and presented at the military parades on 10 October 2020, 14 January 2021 and at the missile exhibition "Self-Defence 2021" on 11 October 2021.
- 12 missiles shown in canisters carried on 4-wheeled vehicles. The Hwasong 11/Na had been displayed in the past on tracked vehicles (e.g., on 25 April 2022).
- See S/2023/171 tab.1, annex 24, 25.
- S/2022/668 fig.13, tab.1, annex 14, 18, 22, 23
- S/2022/132 para.25, fig.10, tab.1, annex 21, fig.21-4.
- S/2021/211 fig.1, annex 12.
- S/2020/840 para.11, tab.1, annex 7.
- S/2020/151 para.194, tab.3, annex
   59.

10.3. Super-large multiple rocket launcher / SRBM KN-25. Also shown in 2023 at the parade on 8 February 2023 and the Pyongyang "Weaponry Exhibition" on 26 July 2023. First declared test on 24 August 2019.







Source: KCTV.

#### Super-large

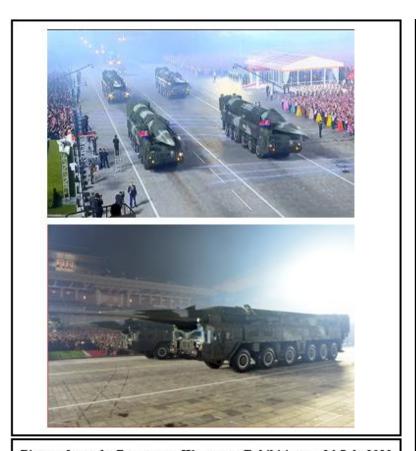
#### multiple rocket launcher 600 mm

(or "KN-25")

- Solid propellant.
- Guided, with a range of appx. 380 km. Described by DPRK authorities as "a tactical nuclear attack means".
- Frequent launches in 2022 and 2023.
- Presented at the Pyongyang Weaponry Exhibition on 26 July 2023 by Kim Jong Un himself. First tested on 24 August 2019 test and presented at the military parade on 10 October 2020.
- 24 missiles were shown, carried on 4-axle wheeled TELs (each carrying four launch containers).
- See S/2023/656 para.17, 20, annex 10, 13.
- S/2023/171 para.28, annex 16, 24, 25.
- S/2022/668 fig.18, tab. 1, annex 22,
   23.
- S/2022/132 para.25, fig.11, tab.1, annex 21, fig.21-4.
- S/2021/211 para.20, fig.3, 4, annex
- S/2020/840 para.11, tab.1, annex 7.
- S/2020/151 para.194, Tab.3, annex 59.

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## 10.4. IRBM Hwasong-12Na fitted with a purported hypersonic glide vehicle (HGV). Also displayed at the Pyongyang "Weaponry Exhibition" on 26 July 2023.









#### IRBM Hwasong-12Na

fitted with a purported Hypersonic Glide Vehicle (HGV)

- One stage powered by a liquid propellant engine, derived from the Hwasong-12.
- No known test to date.
- Variant of the Hwasong 12 which was first tested in 2017.
   Designated "Hwasong 12Na" at the Pyongyang Weaponry Exhibition on 26 July 2023.
- An alleged HGV was tested by the DPRK in 2021 and 2022.
- Four missiles were shown., carried on 6-axle wheeled TELs
- See S/2023/171, para 20 and 21.
- S/2022/668, para.20, 21, fig.10, tab.1, annex 15, 23,
- S/2022/132, para. 19-20, 23, tab.1, annex 22.

Source: KCTV, X/Dr. Jeffrey Lewis, annotations by the Panel.

10.5. ICBM Hwasong-17. Also shown in 2023 at the parade on 8 February and the Pyongyang "Weaponry Exhibition" on 26 July. First shown at a military parade on 10 October 2020 and tested on 24 March 2022.







Source: KCTV.

#### **ICBM Hwasong-17**

- Two stages powered by liquid propellant engines. The first stage is powered by a variant of the RD-250 twin-combustion chamber (or "Paektusan" line engine) in a combination of two engines and four nozzles.
- Potential intercontinental range of up to 15,000 km, according to a Member State's simulation.
- Unveiled at the military parade on 10 October 2020. First possible test on 27 February 2022. Declared tested by the DPRK on 24 March 2022. Last launch on 16 March 2023.
- At least three missiles were shown in camouflage paint, carried on 11-axle wheeled TELs. Numbers include 321, 373, 379.
- Missile ス 09151815 on TEL 379.
- See S/2023/656/para.15, 16, 17, fig.2, annex 10, 13.
- S/2023/171 para.26, tab.1, annex 16, 24, 25.
- S/2022/668 para.20, fig.8, tab.1, annex 13, 16, 17, 21, 23.
- S/2022/132 fig.4.
- S/2021/777 para.17.
- S/2021/211 para.17 Annex 10.

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#### 10.6. ICBM Hwasong-18. Unveiled at the 8 February 2023 and first tested on 13 April 2023.







Source: KCTV.

#### **ICBM Hwasong-18**

- Three stages powered by solid propellant motors.
- Potential intercontinental range (not established) of up to 10,000 km according to a Member State's simulation. Some experts give it a longer range.
- Unveiled at the 8 February 2023 parade. First tested on 13 April 2023. then on 12 July 2023 and 18 December 2023.
- A mock-up of a similar looking solidfuel missile was first shown on an 8-axle wheeled TEL at a parade in Pyongyang on 15 April 2017 (see S/2017/742 para.9)
- At least three missiles were shown in camouflage paint.
- They were carried on 9-axle wheeled TEL. The numbers on the chassis include 571 and 574, 577. Numbers 571 and 574 already featured in the 8 February 2023 military parade.
- There were no visible markings on the missile bodies.
- See S/2023/656/para.12, 14, 15, 24, fig.1, annex 10, 11, 12, 13.

# Annex 11: The Hwasong-18 ICBM launch on 18 December 2023 at 8:24 KST

39°07′37″N 125°57′51″E / An agricultural field 20 km north-east of Pyongyang

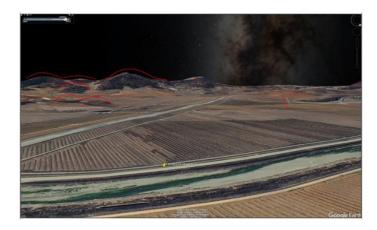
Figure 11.1: Identification of the location of the launch



Source: Maxar, annotated by the Panel.



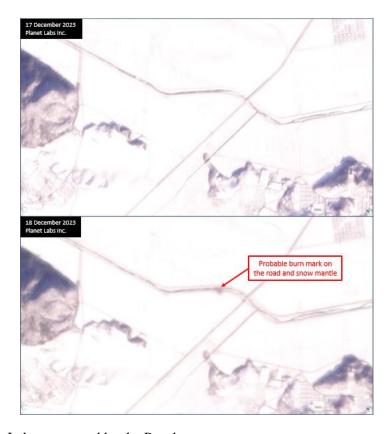
Source: KCNA, annotated by the Panel.



Source: Google Earth Pro, 26 January 2024, annotated by the Panel.

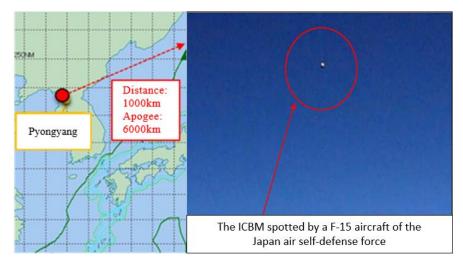
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Figure 11.2: Launch marks at the tentative location



Source: Planet Labs, annotated by the Panel.

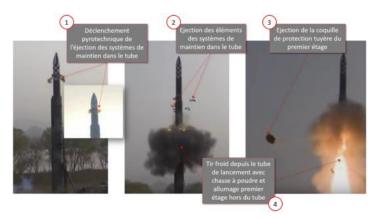
Figure 11.3: Trajectory of the missile



Source: Ministry of Defence, Japan, annotated by the Panel.

### Annex 12: Excerpts of a January 2024 study of the Hwasong-18 ICBM by Fondation pour la Recherche **Stratégique**<sup>190</sup> (translations in English by the Panel)

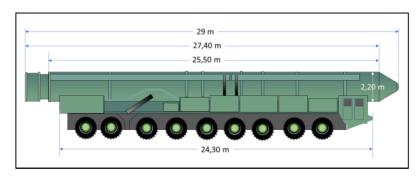
### **Cold-launch technology**



- 1. Pyrotechnic triggering of the ejection of the in-canister holding devices.
- 2. Ejection of the parts of the in-canister holding devices.
- 3. Ejection of the nozzle protection shell of the first stage.
- 4. Cold launch from the tube (or "canister") with gas generator and ignition of the first stage outside of the tube.

[...]

### **Dimensions**



SCHEMATIC VIEW OF THE HS-18 TEL AND APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONING (CREDITS: C. MAIRE)

[Note: estimates based on the length of the TEL chassis and the width of the TEL cabin (3.35 m)].

[...]

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>190</sup> C.Maire, S.Delory, "Analyse de l'ICBM Hwasongpho-18 (HS-18)", Fondation pour la Recherche Stratégique, 2024. https://www.frstrategie.org/sites/default/files/documents/programmes/programme-coree-securitediplomatie/publications/2024/012024.pdf.



FOCUS ON THE POSITION OF THE MISSILE IN THE TUBE (CREDITS: KCNA)

"Taking these observations into account, the length of the section containing the missile is 25.50 meters and the total length of the tube, including the ejection system, is 29 meters. The length of the missile could be estimated at 23.50 meters.

[...]

If we assume that the tube is rather 2.10 meters, this means that the missile could have a diameter of slightly less than 2 meters, namely 1.90 meters. In this case, the sizing of the device would lead to a total length of 22.60 meters."

### **Evolution of the cap removal mechanism**



PYROTECHNIC EJECTION OF THE TUBE DOOR BEFORE LAUNCH (CREDITS: KCNA)

[Panel note: 12 July 2023 launch].



LOWERING OF THE DOOR BEFORE THE ERECTION OF THE TUBE (CREDITS: KCNA)

[Panel note: 18 December 2023 launch].

"The TEL used for the launch on December 18, 2023, uses a foldable door, without a pyrotechnic device."

### Annex 13: Launches on 30 August 2023 of Hwasong-11Na SRBMs (Hwasong 11B / KN-24)

## Statements by the DPRK<sup>191</sup>

...the KPA staged a tactical nuclear strike drill simulating scorched earth strikes at major command centers and operational airfields of the "ROK" military gangsters at night on August 30.

The tactical nuclear-armed unit of the KPA in the western region of the country conducted the relevant military activities.

The missile unit fired two tactical ballistic missiles northeastward at Pyongyang International Airport and correctly carried out its nuclear strike mission through air bursts at a preset altitude of 400 metres above the target island.

### Identification of the missiles launched as Hwasong-11B/Na



# Probable location of the reported air burst: Alsom Island (40° 38′ 48″ N 129° 32′ 58″ E), 365 km from Sunan International airport



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>191</sup>https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1693472894-954639895/kpa-general-staff-releases-report/.

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### Annex 14: 2<sup>nd</sup> Malligyong-1 satellite launch on 24 August 2023 from the area of Sohae

### Statements by the DPRK

The National Aerospace Development Administration (NADA) of the DPRK conducted the second launch of reconnaissance satellite Malligyong-1 aboard the new-type carrier rocket Chollima-1 at the Sohae Satellite Launching Ground in Cholsan County of North Phyongan Province at dawn of August 24.... The flights of the first and second stages of the rocket were normal, but the launch failed due to an error in the emergency blasting system during the third-stage flight. .... The NADA expressed the stand that it would conduct the third reconnaissance satellite launch in October after thoroughly probing the reason and taking measures.

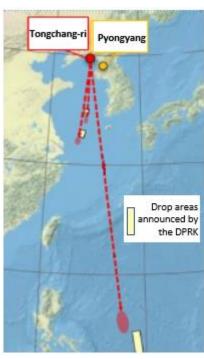
(KCNA, 24 August 2023).

### Assessment

The DPRK gave prior notice of this launch to Japan's coast guard, NAVAREA coordinator for the area where the stages were to drop. The DPRK did not warn the IMO, which it had for the first launch of a Chollima-1 launcher on 31 May 2023, nor again the ICAO or the ITU. Contrary to 31 May 2023, the DPRK did not release any picture of the launch, which happened at night, and did it provide any other data pertaining to it.

The Ministry of Defence (MoD) of Japan confirmed the launch of an object using ballistic missile technology on 24 August 2023 at around 3:51 (KST) from Tongchang-ri (the village next to the DPRK's current satellite launching grounds). Japan reported that the rocket separated into three pieces which all fell outside the anticipated drop areas, issued in the navigational warning:

- one piece fell approximately 300 km west of the Korean Peninsula,
- another fell in approximately 350 km southwest of the Korean Peninsula.
- the last one was estimated to have passed over between Okinawa Island and Miyako Island at around 4:00, and to have fallen in the Pacific Ocean appx. 600 km east of the Philippines at around 4:05.



Source: Japan MoD.

The DPRK attributed the failure of the launch to an "error in the emergency blasting system". This could refer to a self-destruct system which would normally activate when internal sensors report irregular data or the rocket veers off course. Fitting such a system on a rocket is warranted for safety reasons but could also be meant in this instance to prevent attempts at retrieval of debris, as was the case in June and July 2023, when the ROK navy salvaged parts of the Chollima-1 rocket and the Malligyong-1 satellite launched on 31 May.

If that is the cause of the failure, then it would mean the DPRK made progress after the first launch having this time been able to conduct second stage separation, and then most probably third stage separation, notable achievements though they were first reached through the Hwasong-14 (2017), Hwasong-15 (2017), Hwasong-17 (2022) and the three-stage Hwasong-18 (2023) ICBM launches. NADA (KPe.029) was renamed National Aerospace Technology Administration (NATA).

### Annex 15: 3<sup>rd</sup> Malligyong-1 satellite launch on 21 November 2023 from the area of Sohae

### Statements by the DPRK

The National Aerospace Technology Administration (NATA) ... successfully launched the new-type carrier rocket "Chollima-1" loaded with the reconnaissance satellite "Malligyong-1" at the Sohae Satellite Launching ... at 22:42:28 on November 21 (2023). The carrier rocket ... accurately put the reconnaissance satellite "Malligyong-1" on its orbit at 22:54:13.

NATA is to present a plan for continuing to secure the capability ... by additionally launching several reconnaissance satellites in a short span of time.

Kim Jong Un...oversaw the launch on the spot. He was accompanied by Kim Jong Sik, vice department director of the WPK Central Committee, and Jang Chang Ha, general director of the DPRK General Missile Bureau.

Noting that the DPRK has finally developed and possessed aerospace reconnaissance capability by its own efforts and technologies, Kim Jong Un said that it is a great event in developing the armed forces of the Republic and coping with a new military situation in the region.

Figure 15.1: The launch and its aftermath in DPRK media



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### Assessment

### Launch

The MoD of Japan reported that on 21 November, at around 22:4 (KST), the DPRK conducted a launch using ballistic missile technology from the Tongchang-ri area.

The rocket separated into pieces:

- at around 22:50 (KST), the first one fell outside of the announced drop area (note: the drop area announced to the NAVAREA coordinator) over the East China Sea, approx. 350 km west of the Korean Peninsula.
- at around 22:55 (KST), the second one is estimated to have passed over between Okinawa Island and Miyako Island, and to have fallen in the announced drop area in the Pacific Ocean approx. 1,200 km southwest of Okinotori Island, outside Japan's EEZ, at around 22:57 (KST).

The DPRK had warned Japan's Coast Guard of the launch, but not the IMO, ICAO or ITU. The DPRK did not register the Malligyong-1 satellite with UNOOSA.

### Aftermath

This launch came after failed ones on 31 May<sup>192</sup> and 24 August 2023. On this third attempt on 21 November, the Chollima-1 launcher did release a satellite into orbit.



Source: Japan MoD.

The DPRK had registered an earth observation satellite after the launch of the Kwangmyongsong-3 satellite from a Unha-3 rocket on 12 December 2012<sup>193</sup> and another one a few weeks after the launch of the Kwangmyongsong-4 on 7 February 2016<sup>194</sup>.

The Minister of Defense of Japan, stated on 24 November that "[Japan] has collaborated with the United States and South Korea to progress in the analysis, and as a result, it has been confirmed that some object launched by North Korea is orbiting the Earth". According to public data<sup>195</sup>, the Malligyong-1 satellite (international designation 2023-179A) was as on 26 January 2024 in a stable 512 km x 488 km orbit at an inclination of 97.43 degrees to the Equator with an orbital period of 94.65 minutes.

DPRK media reported that Kim Jong Un twice visited the General Control Center of NATA in Pyongyang after the launch, on 22 and 25 November. The DPRK claimed then and since that the satellite transmitted pictures of various locations, among which:

- The island of Guam,
- The "Norfolk Naval Station", "Newport News Dockyard" and an airfield in Virginia,
- The "San Diego Naval Base",
- The "Kadena base" in Okinawa,
- The "Hickam air-force base" in Honolulu,
- Jinhae, Pusan (Busan), Ulsan, Phohang (Pohang), Taegu (Daegu) in the ROK, allegedly between 09:59:40 and 10:02:10 (KST),
- The aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson, when calling in Pusan (Busan), allegedly at 10:01 (KST),
- The Suez Canal 196.

<sup>192</sup>S/2023/668/para 21.

<sup>193</sup>S/2013/337/para 30.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>194</sup>Source UNOOSA and see S/2016/para 27, para 48, annex 5.

<sup>195</sup>https://www.space-track.org/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>196</sup>https://kcnawatch.org/newstream/1700962715-973234535/respected-comrade-kim-jong-un-visits-nata-pyongyang-general-control-center-again-to-watch-aerospace-photos-of-enemys-major-target-region-taken-on-morning-of-november-25/http://rodong.rep.kp/en/index.php?MTJAMjAyMy0xMS0yOC1IMDA0QDE1QDFAQDBAMQ

Given the stated military purpose of the satellite, this messaging can be deemed aggressive and directed. It shows an intent to bolster ballistic missile targeting and damage assessment capabilities on specific locations.

The Panel took notice of a press report indicating the camera on the first Malligyong-1 satellite, which fell into the sea on 31 May 2023, carried a Japanese-made commercial digital camera<sup>197</sup> no longer in production.

An outside expert<sup>198</sup> noted that the satellite's orbit allowed it to appear over the Korean Peninsula around 10:00 and 22:00 (KST) every five days and assessed the DPRK would need an operational network of five or so satellites to ensure regular day time coverage, notwithstanding weather conditions such as cloud coverage which would require more complex radar satellites to get imagery of the ground. Kim Jong Un announced at the Plenary meeting of the Central Committee of the Workers Party on 30 December 2023 that the DPRK plans to launch three more satellites in 2024.

### Key takeaways

The bright and clear exhaust plume shows the first stage is powered by liquid-fuel engines, and the four visible nozzles (see figure below) indicate a possible combination of two two-chambered RD-250-like (or "Paektusan") engines. This combination was first tested on the Hwasong-17 ICBM. The DPRK is deemed able to manufacture by itself an engine similar to the RD-250, an engine designed in the 1960's by 'Energomash NPO' and manufactured until 1991 by the 'Yuzhmash' plant in Ukraine. This, given the number of engines used to date, and the fact it has machinery to produce critical parts, including the impeller for the turbopump<sup>199</sup>.

Figure 15.2 Exhaust of the Chollima-1 space launch vehicle



Source: KCTV.

The 21 November 2023 launch showed good command of stage separation phases, which had not been completed during the first launch on 31 May 2023. It also shows NATA is confident in its payload release technology. The releasing of the Malligyong-1 satellite in space comes after those of the Kwangmyongsong-3 and Kwangmyongsong-4 satellites, respectively on 12 December 2012 and 7 February 2016. Lessons drawn from this repeated achievement could be applied to the DPRK's ICBM programme.

One of the posters released in December 2023 to celebrate the event shows the Malligyong-1 satellite over two ICBMs, a Hwasong-17 and a Hwasong-18 (see Figure 2) demonstrating, *inter alia*, that it is in support of the DPRK's ICBM capability. The prominent presence at the event of Kim Jong Sik (KPi.066), deputy director of the Munitions Industry Department (KPe.028) <sup>200</sup>, and of the recently appointed head of the Missile General Bureau Jang Chang Ha (KPi.037), designated for their involvement in the DPRK's ballistic missile program, is another indication of strong crossover with the country's space program.

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<sup>197</sup> https://www.donga.com/en/home/article/all/20231127/4580833/1.

<sup>198</sup> https://www.38north.org/2023/11/modest-beginnings-north-korea-launches-its-first-reconnaissance-satellite/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>199</sup> Panel Consultations with the James Martin Center for Non-Proliferation Studies on 11 December 2023.

<sup>200</sup> The Panel reported in the past on the involvement of the Munitions Industry Department (KPe.028) in the Unha-3 SLV project (S/2013/337/para 37).

### Annex 16: Developments at the new Sohae satellite launch pad from May to December 2023

### Preparations for the first launch in May 2023



on 21 November

### Annex 17: Launching of the 841 Hero Kim Kun Ok "tactical nuclear attack" submarine on 6 September 2023

# Launching of the No.841 Hero Kim Kun Ok submarine on 6 September 2023 Source: KCNA, 8 September 2023.

Excerpts of Kim Jong Un's speech on 6 Sept. 2023 at the "Pongdae shipyard"

The historic moment has come when the first tactical nuclear attack submarine we have built wets its name and body in the blue water of our sea. .... Our intention to turn all the other existing medium-sized submarines into attack ones like this one, which can carry tactical nukes..., in addition to our development-oriented, prospective plan for building nuclear submarines.

This submarine ...is capable of carrying a large number of means for delivering nukes of various powers and of launching a preemptive or retaliatory strike.

In the past we... focused on building many small and fast submarines, true to our Navy's mission which is restricted to defending our territorial waters. But the times have changed .... I confirm that the mission of absolute importance, which no other services will be able to accomplish, will be fulfilled only when we, in five or ten years, usher in an era when our Navy changes. In this regard, the most important thing is to go nuclear.

...We should give greater impetus to the building of <u>nuclear-powered</u> submarine

Source: KCNA, 8 September 2023.



KCNA, 8 September 2023.

The 841 is based on a submarine of appx.76 m in length. A section with 10 hatches for vertical missile tubes was added in the middle. It was seen being built in July 2019, during a visit of Kim Jong Un.

Submersible missile test barge (probable)



Planet Labs, 6 September 2023.

The 841 with a submersible missile test barge berthed alongside.



Planet Labs, 24 September 2023.

The 841 is berthed in the west quay under a canopy. The 8.24 Yongung temporarily left the secure basin before 24 September.



Planet Labs, 6 September 2023 22:56 UTC.

The old north construction hall in the Sinpo south shipyard from where the 841 was launched on 6 September 2023.



Airbus D&S Pleiades. See next page for a blow-up of this picture. The 841 entering the Sinpo South secure basin on 8 Sept. 2023 The 841 is the only DPRK submarine well over 80 m long.



Planet Labs, 5 October 2023.

The 8.24 Yongung having regained its position on the right.



Planet Labs, 6 September 2023.

Possibly the 841 moored on a pier in the Sinpo south shipyard after the ceremony.

Probable 8.24 Yongung submarine (launched in 2014)



Planet Labs, 6 September 2023.

A submarine still moored in the basin on 19 September. Probably as seen later the Gorae-class 8.24 Yongung, launched in 2014.



Planet Labs, 2 January 2023.

The 8.24 Yongung was then moved to the pier on the left. The 841 and the 8.24 remained in the basin into January 2024.

# Suspected Submarine 841 Seen at Sinpo Shipyard on 8 September 2023

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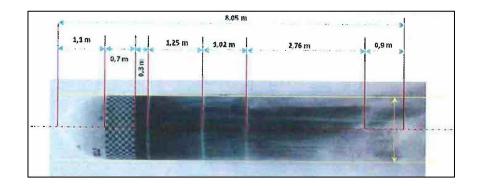


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Figure 17.1 Pukguksong-3 SLBM dimensions as evaluated by a Member State



Note: before its test-launch on 1 October 2019, this SLBM fit in a transport launch tube of a diameter of around 1.8 meter.

Source: Member State from KCNA & Rodong Sinmun pictures.

Note: Member States estimate its maximum range to be between 1,700 km and appx. 2,000 km.

### Annex 18: Inspection of TEL production between 3 and 5 August 2023 at the March 16 Factory in Pyongsong and at the same possible location on 5 January 2024

39°16′53″N 125°52′11″E

### Official reports

### 1<sup>st</sup> visit between 3 and 5 August 2023

Kim Jong Un learned about the production of erector launchers for major strategic weapon....

He highly appreciated the fact that the factory has built a firm foundation for production and dynamically pushed ahead with the production of erector launchers by concentrating efforts on updating production processes and increasing production capacity in line with the intention of the Party which set the production of large-sized erector launchers as the most important work for bolstering up the national defence capability<sup>201</sup>.



Source: KCNA, KCTV.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> visit on 5 January 2024

Referring to the importance of producing various TELs for tactical and strategic weapons in ceaselessly bolstering the nuclear war deterrent of the country and the operational demand of our army, he [Kim Jung Un] specified the immediate plan for production of varieties of TELs, long-term production plan and task of production capacity expansion.



Source: Rodong Sinmun.

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 $<sup>^{201}\</sup> http://kcna.co.jp/item/2023/202308/news06/20230806-01ee.html.$ 

### **Assessment**

- An unprecedented number of vehicles can be seen in the pictures :
  - 11-axle TELs for the Hwasong-17 ICBM
  - 9-axle TELs for the Hwasong-18 ICBM
  - O Hwasong-11A/Na (KN-23) SRBM TELs
  - O Hwasong-11C/Ga (KN-23 larger version) SRBM TELs
  - o Multiple launch rocket system (MLRS) TELs for the 600 mm system (KN-25)<sup>202</sup>
- The emphasis was on the improvement of manufacturing processes and production volume.
- The DPRK apparently has improved its domestic TEL manufacturing capability, including of large tires<sup>203</sup>.

Figure 18.1: Weapons systems of the TELs displayed on 3-5 August 2023



Source: KCNA, KCTV, annotations by the Panel.

Figure 18.2: Hwasong-18 ICBMs and TELs displayed on 5 January 2024



Source: Rodong Sinmun.

<sup>202</sup> See T. Goo, https://twitter.com/GreatPoppo/status/1688158954663313409.

 $<sup>^{203}</sup>$  They bore no foreign markings in these pictures and on some ICBM TELs in 2023 contrary to the past.

### Annex 19: Inspection "shells of super large-caliber multiple rocket launchers" production on 3 August 2023

Possibly at the Kanggye General Tractor Plant, that Kim Jun Un had visited publicly in June 2019<sup>204</sup>.

39°16′53″N 125°52′11″E

### Official reports

The location was described as a "factory producing the shells of super large-caliber multiple rocket launchers". [It] "has improved the precision processing capability and realized automation by introducing new equipment and measuring devices on a large scale into the overall production process to create the serial production capability for the shells of ultra-precision large-caliber multiple rocket launchers."

Kim Jung Un learned in detail about the modernization of technology and production processes the factory carried out recently"... he was very pleased to see that various measuring devices have been introduced to ensure scientific accuracy in the control of the quality of shells and shorten the time for heat treatment of the propulsion tube.







Flow-forming

Source: KCNA, KCTV, Rodong Sinmun, annotation by the Panel.

### **Assessment**

- The super-large-caliber multiple rocket launchers are also known as the KN-25 SRBM system.
- DPRK missile plants seem to be flow-forming metal to manufacture rocket bodies.
- Computer Numerical Control (CNC) machine tools are used at this plant.

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<sup>204</sup> According to the James Martin Center for Non-Proliferation Studies. See.https://twitter.com/ArmsControlWonk/status/1689044152598544384 and http://www.ryongnamsan.edu.kp/univ/en/revodaily/92cc227532d17e56e07902b254dfad10

# Annex 20: Inspection of SRBM production at the February 11 Plant in Hamhung on 11 or 12 August 2023

39°49′26″N 127°35′15″E

### Official reports

A factory producing tactical missiles [which] perfected the scientific and technological issues arising in production, has improved "automation and modernization" and is "steadily expanding its production capacity."

Kim Jung Un... was accompanied by Jo Chun Ryong and Kim Jong Sik.

He set forth an important goal to drastically boost the existing missile production capacity on the basis of the successes already achieved by the factory so as to mass-produce missile.

August 2023

August 2023

August 2023

August 2022

January 2022

Source: KCNA.

### Assessment

- Many SRBM casings can be seen in pictures of the visit, seemingly of the Hwasong-11A/Ga-Da (KN-23) and Hwasong-11B/Na (KN-24) type missiles, driving the point they had entered mass production.
- The official reports stressed the use of CNC machine tool, automation, manufacturing processes.

# Annex 21: Inspection of TEL production at the Sinhung Machine Factory<sup>205</sup> on 11 or 12 August 2023 39°39'4"N 125°21'32"E

### Official reports

A "factory producing tactical missile transporter erector launchers".





Source: KCNA, annotations by the Panel.

### Assessment

- The DPRK manufactures medium-sized tracked and wheeled TELs in large numbers. It repeatedly highlights the mobility of its short-range ballistic missile arsenal and therefore its survivability.
- The Hwasong-11B was shown on a wheeled TEL rather than a tracked TEL at the 27 July 2023 military parade and then at a launch on 30 August 2023.

# Annex 21.1: Inspection of TEL production for Hwasong-11Ra SRBMs between 5 and 10 January 2024 Official reports



### Assessment

- A number of Hwasong 11Ra TELs can be seen in the pictures.
- The Hwasong 11Ra, also designated Hwasong 11D, is a smaller variant of the Hwasong 11Ga (KN-23). It was first seen when fired on 16 April 2022.

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<sup>205</sup> As identified by NK News. See https://www.nknews.org/pro/arms-odyssey-inside-kim-jong-uns-second-tour-of-weapons-factories-this-month/.

# Annex 22: DPRK statements related to the use of ballistic missile technology from 29 Jul. 2023 to 26 Jan. 2024

Source: KCNA, Rodong Sinmun.

### Regarding ballistic missile launches

The KPA staged a tactical nuclear strike drill simulating scorched earth strikes at major command centers and operational airfields of the "ROK"... The missile unit fired two tactical ballistic missiles northeastward at Pyongyang International Airport and correctly carried out its nuclear strike mission through air bursts at a preset altitude of 400 meters above the target island. (30 August 2023 launches).

A drill of launching ICBM Hwasongpho-18 was staged as an important military action to clearly show the DPRK's nuclear strategic forces' overwhelming counteraction will and matchless strength to the enemies....Kim Jong Un, general secretary of the Workers' Party of Korea and president of the State Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, watched the launching drill of an ICBM unit on the spot.... The drill was aimed to review the combat readiness of the DPRK's nuclear war deterrence and confirm its mobility, combat capability and reliability (18 Dec. 2023 launch).

### Regarding engine tests

The missile industry of the DPRK has developed new-type high-thrust solid-fuel engines for intermediate-range ballistic missile again, ..., and successfully conducted the first ground jet tests of the first-stage engine and the second-stage engine on November 11 and 14 respectively...[It is] an important task of the missile industry to improve ICBM Hwasongpho-18 and IRBM. The DPRK General Missile Bureau attached great significance to the development of the new-type IRBM. (11 and 14 November 2023 tests in Maggun-Po and Sohae)

### Regarding the new "tactical nuclear attack" submarine 841- Hero Kim Kun Ok

The historic moment has come when the first tactical nuclear attack submarine we have built wets its name and body in the blue water of our sea. .... Our intention to turn all the other existing medium-sized submarines into attack ones like this one, which can carry tactical nukes..., in addition to our development-oriented, prospective plan for building nuclear submarines...This submarine ...is capable of carrying a large number of means for delivering nukes of various powers and of launching a preemptive or retaliatory strike. (6 September 2023 speech by Kim Jung Un)

### Regarding the institution of a "Missile Industry Day" to commemorate the launch of a Hwasong-17 ICBM.

The institution of the missile industry day is a manifestation of the steadfast will of the Workers' Party of Korea, the government of the DPRK and all the Korean people to eternally record November 18, Juche 111 (2022) when the might of a world-class nuclear power and the strongest ICBM possessor was demonstrated to the whole world ... (5 Nov. 2023 session of the Permanent Commission of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly)

### Congratulations to the Missile General Bureau and the Hwasong-18 ICBM operators

[Kim Jong Un] said that the resolute military activity conducted by the company this time true to the Party's battle order was ... a clear explanation of the offensive counteraction mode and the evolution of the nuclear strategy and doctrine of the DPRK not to hesitate even a nuclear attack when the enemy provoke it with nukes. (20 December 2023 visit to the



### At the 9th plenary meeting of the 8th Central Committee of the Workers Party on 30 December 2023

The test-fires and launching drills of ICBM Hwasongpho-17 and Hwasongpho-18 were successfully conducted several times in the course of further accelerating the development of nuclear weapons. ... The DPRK conducted in an offensive way major military activities including launching drills of tactical ballistic missiles and cruise missiles... (In report by general secretary Kim Jong Un "On the review of the implementation of the Party and state policies in 2023").

According to KCNA, "the conclusion clarified the task for the field of space development to launch in addition three reconnaissance satellites in 2024".

### Annex 23: Launch on 14 January 2024 of a possible IRBM with a maneuvering reentry vehicle

### Statements by the DPRK $^{206}$

On the afternoon of January 14, the DPRK Missile Administration conducted a test-fire of an <u>intermediate-range solid-fuel</u> ballistic missile loaded with a hypersonic maneuverable controlled warhead.

The test-fire was aimed at verifying the gliding and maneuvering characteristics of intermediate-range hypersonic maneuverable controlled warhead and the reliability of newly developed multi-stage high-thrust solid-fuel engines.

It was successfully conducted.

The test-fire never affected the security of any neighboring country and had nothing to do with the regional situation.

The Missile Administration explained that the test is a part of the administration and its affiliated defence science institutes' regular activities for developing powerful weapon systems.



Source: KCNA.

### **Trajectory**



Source: Ministry of Defense, Japan.

Note: the ROK JCS reported it appeared to be an IRBM that flew around 1,000 km.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>206</sup>http://kcna.kp/en/article/q/64e900f5bd0353837ca02d7babcce3ad6c73263e00a38ff0e08c8c90fdb5f0b71866e0c7bc65 71e831ca2182de7032d0.kcmsf

### **Annex 24: Website of the Far Eastern Federal University (FEFU)**

FEEU has announced that Kim Jong Un has visited the university, and it explains that 43 students from DPRK are studying at the university, and that "FEFU has built long-term mutually beneficial relationships with three partner universities in North Korea: Kim Chaek University of Technology, Pyongyang University of Foreign Studies and Kim Il Sung University".



Source: FEFU website.

### **Annex 25: Reply from the Russian Federation**

Far Eastern Federal University (FEFU) does not violate the UN SC sanctions and does not facilitate any activities by the DPRK in the field of nuclear proliferation, ballistic missile or other programs related to weapons of mass destruction.

There are in fact no academic exchanges between FEFU and the DPRK. Students and professors of the Russian institution have not been to the DPRK for the last five years. Also, the DPRK scholars do not work in FEFU. There is no scientific cooperation between FEFU and North Korean institutes and organizations.

Since 2017 the overall number of the students from the DPRK in FEFU has not exceeded 20 people. A part of them has returned from Russia back home before the border's closure right after the start of the COVID pandemic. At present, there remain at the university children of the consular officers who study bachelor humanities programs such as linguistics, philology, international affairs, history and archeology. There is no scientific research made in collaboration with FEFU professors. Also, there are no North Korean masters degree holders or postgraduates in FEFU.

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# Annex 26: Media Report about an agreement signed between Universities of DPRK and Mexico, 30 September 2023

### Agreement Signed between Universities of DPRK and Mexico

Pyongyang, September 30 (KCNA) -- An agreement on friendship and cooperation between Pyongyang University of Mechanical Engineering of the DPRK and Interamericana University of the United Mexican States was made in Mexico on Sept. 22.

Pang Sun Chol, rector of Pyongyang University of Mechanical Engineering, and Jose David Ortega, president of Interamericana University, signed the agreement. -0-

www.kcna.kp (Juche112.9.30.)

Source: KCNA, http://www.kcna.kp/en/article/q/57633d9b44c6ddba14a2deebaeb564f6.kcmsf.

# Annex 27: Friendship agreement between Pyongyang University of Mechanical Engineering of DPRK and Interamericana University in Mexico

CONVENIO DE COLABORACIÓN DE AMISTAD QUE CELEBRAN,
POR UNA PARTE, LA UNIVERSIDAD MAQUINARIA DE
PYONGYANG DE LA REPÚBLICA POPULAR DEMOCRÁTICA
DE COREA Y, POR LA OTRA, LA UNIVERSIDAD
INTERAMERICANA A.C., EN ADELANTE "LA INTER"
DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS MEXICANOS

### DECLARACIONES

La Universidad Maquinaria de Pyongyang de la República Popular Democrática de Corea y la Universidad Interamericana de Puebla de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos (en adelante se denominará AMBAS PARTES) acordaron celebrar el presente Convenio para establecer una COLABORACIÓN DE AMISTAD entre las dos Universidades y realizar la cooperación de forma mutua en el campo de la educación y la ciencia y técnica, reconociendo que:

### "LA UNIVERSIDAD MAQUINARIA DE PYONGYANG":

- Se ha fundado el Primero de Septiembre de 1959 y tiene la misión de la Universidad rectora que forma talentosos técnicos mecánicos de varias ramas de la economía nacional que poseen los conocimientos científicotécnicos de alto nivel y la capacidad mental.
- II. Es una Institución que imparte estudios de nivel superior de varias ramas como ingeniería de producción maquinaria, ingeniería de materia, tecnología de información, ingeniería mecánica, ingeniería de equipos de transporte, tecnología de automatización, etc., así como diplomados, seminarios y talleres.
- III. Que cuenta con domicilio oficial ubicado en el Barrio Munhung No.1, Distrito Taedongang, Pyongyang.

### "LA INTER":

- Que es una institución de Educación Superior que imparte estudios de nivel superior en sus tipos de licenciatura con reconocimiento de validez oficial de estudios otorgado por la Secretaria de Educación Pública del Estado de Puebla, y registro ante la Dirección General de Profesiones clave 21MSU8890E, así como diplomados, cursos, seminarios y talleres en diferentes áreas del conocimiento.
- Que cuenta con domicilio fiscal ubicado en Avenida del Castillo 5933 INT
   Colonia Lomas de Angelópolis, Puebla, Puebla, México, con Registro Federal de Contribuyentes número UIN850703TO4.
- III. Que en la misión de "LA INTER" está el ayudar en el proceso de

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formación integral de cada uno de sus estudiantes, para que sean personas integras, excelentes profesionistas, con grandes capacidades de liderazgo y de sostener y dirigir su propia superación. Estar comprometido mediante la colaboración con otras instituciones nacionales y extranjeras para el desarrollo de programas académicos, científicos, tecnológicos, culturales y deportivos que permitan reforzar los valores de Excelencia Académica Mejoramiento Continuo, Servicio de la Comunidad y la Honestidad Profesional

IV. Ser una Asociación Civil constituida conforme a las leyes mexicanas, según consta en la escritura pública no. 12107 del volumen No. 17 de fecha del 28 de junio de 1985 ante la fe del Lic. Víctor Manuel Cortéz Leyva, Notario Público número veintinueve de Puebla Capital, México.

El presente Convenio se realizará al tenor de las siguientes cláusulas;

### **CLÁUSULA I**

AMBAS PARTES establecen la relación de amistad con el objetivo de afianzar la cooperación en el campo de la educación y la ciencia.

### CLÁUSULA II

AMBAS PARTES proveen en sus respectivas bibliotecas las publicaciones, fotos, videos y otros libros de la contraparte y promueven ser utilizados.

### CLÁUSULA III

AMBAS PARTES acuerdan emprender acciones para el desarrollo de los siguientes rubros:

- 1. Intercambio cultural entre estudiantes, docentes y administrativos de ambas instituciones.
- 2. Proyectos de investigación conjunta.
- Participación en eventos, simposios, talleres, conversatorios y otros de similares características de naturaleza científico-técnica, académica y de extensión.
- Publicaciones conjuntas e Intercambio de información académica y científica de interés.
- Organización de conferencias, seminarios, clases espejo y otras actividades similares.
- 6. Otras formas de colaboración en áreas de interés para ambas instituciones.

### **CLÁUSULA IV**

1. AMBAS PARTES REALIZARÁN EL INTERCAMBIO DE LAS

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### SIGUIENTES MANERAS:

- El intercambio que se realizará será manera CULTURAL debido a que los programas de estudio que se ofertan en ambas Universidades nos son compatibles.
- Los candidatos al intercambio deberán reunir los requisitos establecidos por la institución receptora quien será la encargada de tomar la determinación final sobre la admisión de cada estudiante, docente o administrativo. Para ello, la universidad de origen asignará un responsable que asegure y filtre dichos candidatos, previo al proceso de selección.
- La Universidad de origen deberá asegurar que el estudiante adquiera un seguro de gastos médicos mayores internacional que incluya cobertura por accidente, enfermedad (menor, mayor y SARS-CoV-2), repatriación de restos y que no solicite el concepto de deducible, coaseguro ni reembolso.
- AMBAS PARTES acuerdan no brindar beneficios económicos o especie a los estudiantes, docentes o administrativos de intercambio. De tal manera que los gastos de alojamiento, manutención, libros y otro material escolar, correrán a cargo de cada estudiante.
- AMBAS PARTES se comprometen en brindar a los estudiantes, docentes o administrativos de intercambio la asesoría cultural necesaria durante su estancia.
- 2. AMBAS PARTES ACUERDAN ELABORAR Y AUTORIZAR PROYECTOS DE INVESTIGACIÓN, PUBLICACIONES, PARTICIPACIÓN EN EVENTOS, CLASES ESPEJO, ETC. DE LAS SIGUIENTES MANERAS:
  - Elaborar una planeación previa al inicio de cada uno de los proyectos, misma donde se proyectará la logística y acuerdos de trabajo, tales como: objetivos, designación de roles y responsabilidades de cada una de las instituciones y los miembros que participan, plazos de cumplimiento, fuentes, formas de financiamiento, intercambio, participación de especialistas u otros.
  - Dentro de dicha planeación se estipulará los temas de propiedad intelectual que llegarán a derivar de la ejecución de cada uno de los proyectos.
  - La planeación deberá ser autorizada documentalmente por cada uno de los representantes de las Universidades involucradas.

### CLÁUSULA V

AMBAS PARTES se comprometen a respetar las propiedades intelectuales preexistentes a la firma de este convenio en cualquiera de sus modalidades, así como las propiedades intelectuales que surjan de la ejecución de los proyectos, programas de investigaciones conjuntas y otros ejecutados en el marco del presente acuerdo.

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### CÁUSULA VI

El intercambio de estudiantes será administrado, gestionado y coordinado a través de los organismos técnicos correspondientes en ambas instituciones. En la "UNIVERSIDAD MAQUINARIA DE PYONGYANG" la unidad encargada será la Sección de Asuntos Exteriores y en "LA INTER", la unidad encargada será la Dirección de Extensión Universitaria.

Estos encargados discutirán periódicamente la ejecución de dicho Convenio y supervisará y evaluará los temas realizados dentro del marco del presente Convenio.

### CLÁUSULA VII

El presente Convenio tendrá una duración de 5 años de vigencia y se prorrogará automáticamente por periodos similares a menos de que una de las Partes no presente por escrito de anular el presente Convenio con 6 meses de anticipación.

### CLÁUSULA VIII

El presente Convenio entra en vigencia a partir de la fecha de suscripción. Ambas Partes suscriben el presente Convenio al 22 del mes de septiembre del año 2023 en Pyongyang, Capital de la República Popular Democrática de Corea en dos ejemplares; en idioma coreano y en el español, de igual tenor.



Rector

En representación de la Universidad Maquinaria de Pyongyang de la República Popular Democrática de Corea



Rector

En representación de la Universidad Interamericana de Puebla de los Estado Unidos Mexicanos

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Source: The Panel, annotated by the Panel.

### Translated from Spanish

Agreement on friendly collaboration concluded by Pyongyang Mechanical University of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, of the one part, and the Universidad Interamericana, A.C., hereinafter "Inter", of the United Mexican States, of the other part

### Representations

Pyongyang Mechanical University of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Universidad Interamericana de Puebla of the United Mexican States, hereinafter referred to as "the two parties", agree to enter into the present agreement to establish friendly collaboration between the two universities and to engage in mutual cooperation in the fields of education, science and technology, recognizing the information set out below.

### "Pyongyang Mechanical University":

- I. Was founded on 1 September 1959 and, as a leading university, seeks to train talented mechanical technicians of various sectors of the national economy, who possess high-level scientific and technical knowledge and mental abilities.
- II. Is an institution that offers advanced studies in various fields such as machine production engineering, materials engineering, information technology, mechanical engineering, transportation equipment engineering and automation technology, as well as diploma courses, seminars and workshops.
- III. Has its official domicile at Munhung I-dong, Taedonggang District, Pyongyang.

### "Inter":

- I. Is a higher-education institution that offers advanced studies leading to bachelor's degrees, which are officially recognized by the Secretariat of Public Education of the State of Puebla and are registered with the General Directorate of Professions (code 21MSU8890E), as well as diploma programmes, courses, seminars and workshops in different areas of knowledge.
- II. Has its fiscal domicile at Avenida del Castillo 5933 INT 7, Colonia Lomas de Angelópolis, Puebla, Puebla, México, with Federal Taxpayer Registration number UIN850703TQ4.
- III. Seeks to facilitate the comprehensive training of each of its students, to enable them to become integrated people and excellent professionals with strong capacities for leadership and for sustaining and directing their own growth. "Inter" is also committed to collaborating with other national and foreign institutions on the development of academic, scientific, technological, cultural and athletic programmes that reinforce the values of academic excellence, continuous improvement, community service and professional honesty.

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IV. Is a civil association under Mexican law, pursuant to Public Deed No. 12107 of volume No. 17 dated 28 June 1985, executed before Víctor Manuel Córtez Leyva, Notary Public No. 29 of the city of Puebla, México.

The present agreement shall be implemented in accordance with the covenants set out below.

### Covenant I

The two parties shall establish friendly relations in order to strengthen cooperation in the field of education and science.

### **Covenant II**

Each party shall provide in its libraries publications, photos, videos and other materials from the other party, and shall promote their use.

### **Covenant III**

The two parties agree to take steps to develop the following initiatives:

- 1. Cultural exchange between students, teachers and administrative staff of both institutions
- 2. Joint research projects
- 3. Participation in events, symposiums, workshops, talks and other similar activities focused on scientific and technical, academic and outreach-related matters
- 4. Joint publications and exchange of academic and scientific information of interest
- 5. Organization of conferences, seminars, collaborative online courses and other similar activities
- 6. Other forms of collaboration in areas of interest to both institutions

### **Covenant IV**

- 1. The two parties shall carry out exchanges in the manner described below.
- The exchanges to be carried out shall be cultural in nature, as the programmes of study offered at the two universities are not compatible.
- Candidates for exchange shall meet the requirements established by the
  receiving institution, which shall be responsible for making the final
  determination regarding the admission of each student, teacher and
  administrative staff member. For this purpose, the sending university shall
  designate a person to vet and screen such candidates before the selection
  process.

- The sending university shall ensure that the student obtains international
  insurance for major medical events, which shall include coverage for
  accidents, illnesses (minor, major and severe acute respiratory syndrome
  coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2)) and the repatriation of remains, and shall not
  require a deductible, coinsurance or reimbursement.
- The two parties agree not to provide financial or in-kind benefits to students, teachers and administrative staff involved in exchanges. The cost of accommodation, meals, books and other school supplies shall therefore be paid by each student.
- The two parties agree to provide students, teachers and administrative staff involved in exchanges with the necessary cultural advice during their stay.
- 2. The two parties agree to develop and authorize research projects, publications, participation in events, collaborative online courses and other initiatives in the manner described below.
- Prepare a plan before the beginning of each project, covering logistics and work arrangements including objectives, designation of the roles and responsibilities of each of the participating institutions and members, deadlines, sources, funding methods, exchange, participation of specialists and others.
- This plan shall stipulate the intellectual property-related issues that shall arise from the implementation of each project.
- Each of the representatives of the universities involved shall draw up documents authorizing the plan.

### Covenant V

Both parties agree to respect intellectual property existing before the signing of this agreement, whatever its form, as well as intellectual property arising from the implementation of projects, joint research programmes and other initiatives under the present agreement.

### **Covenant VI**

Student exchanges shall be administered, managed and coordinated through the appropriate technical bodies at both institutions. At "Pyongyang Mechanical University", the relevant unit shall be the Foreign Affairs Section, and at "Inter", the relevant unit shall be the University Outreach Department.

These bodies shall periodically discuss the implementation of this agreement and shall supervise and evaluate the activities conducted under the agreement.

### **Covenant VII**

The present agreement shall have a period of validity of five years and shall automatically be extended for similar periods unless one of the parties cancels it in writing six months in advance.

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### **Covenant VIII**

The present agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature.

The two parties hereby sign the present agreement on 22 September 2023 in Pyongyang, capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in two copies, in the Korean and Spanish languages, both texts being identical in meaning.

(Signed)

Rector

On behalf of Pyongyang Mechanical University of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

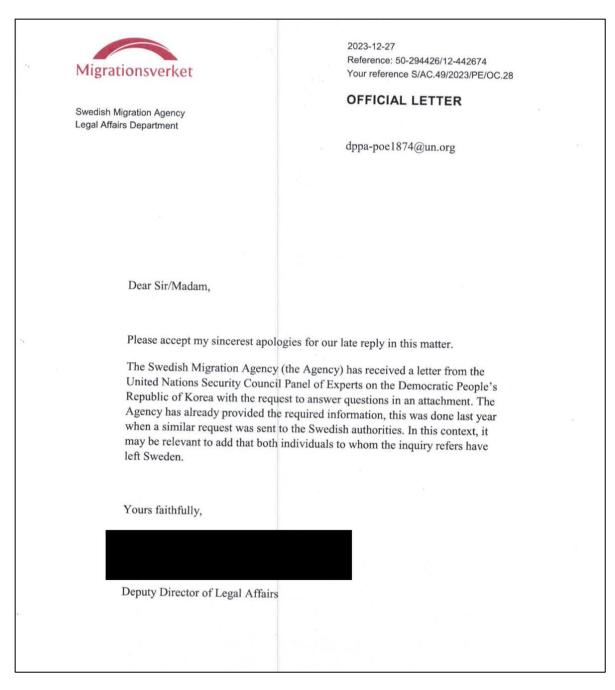
(Signed)

Rector

On behalf of the Universidad Interamericana de Puebla of the United Mexican States

### **Annex 28: Reply from Swedish Migration Agency**

The Panel previously reported that two DPRK researchers from Pyongyang University of Science and Technology studying Ph.D. course at a Swedish university finished their life science research courses in 2019 and 2020. Of two the students, the Panel found that one student who had graduated from the course in 2020 was then employed by another research institute in Sweden<sup>207</sup>.



Source: Member State.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>207</sup> S/2022/668, para. 15 and annex 12.

# Annex 29: Letter to the 1718 Committee from 55 Member States regarding the oil cap, their report and accompanying imagery

Excellency,

On behalf of the Permanent Missions of Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Türkiye, Ukraine, and the United Kingdom, and the United States Mission to the United Nations, we have the honor to submit to the 1718 Committee a request for the Committee Secretary to take the actions described in operative paragraph 5 of Resolution 2397 because the aggregate amount of refined petroleum products sold, supplied, or transferred to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) in 2023 has exceeded the annual cap of 500,000 barrels.

Attached please find a report, sponsored by the above Member States, detailing observations of illicit DPRK-refined petroleum imports, which exceed the 500,000-barrel refined petroleum cap set in UNSCR 2397. In total, we have documented 87 unreported deliveries of refined petroleum products to DPRK ports between January 1 and September 15, 2023. When aggregated, these deliveries represent 1,523,381 barrels of illicit imports. We are providing satellite imagery as evidence for all of these cases.

Specifically, we request the following actions be taken:

- We request the 1718 Committee Secretary issue a public note verbale to all UN Member
  States that the aggregate amount of refined petroleum products sold, supplied, or
  transferred to the DPRK in 2023 has exceeded the cap set by the Security Council and
  inform Member States that they must immediately cease selling, supplying, or
  transferring refined petroleum products to the DPRK for the remainder of the year.
- We request the Chair to issue a Committee press release to inform the general public of this information.
- We further request this note verbale and press release include a call for all Member
   States to immediately exercise enhanced vigilance regarding the DPRK attempting to procure additional refined petroleum products and to prevent illicit ship-to-ship
   transfers of refined petroleum products to vessels owned, controlled, or acting on behalf of or working in cooperation with the DPRK.
- We further request the 1718 Committee Secretary update the website to include the
  illicit refined petroleum imports in our report and show the aggregate amount of refined
  petroleum products sold, supplied, or transferred to the DPRK in 2023 has exceeded the
  cap set by the Security Council using the conversion rate and other information in the
  report.

We request the Chair circulate our report to the 1718 Committee and our proposal for Committee action by November 21, 2023, under the regular five-day NOP process.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of our highest consideration.

### [Signed]

[Permanent representatives of Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Türkiye, Ukraine, the United Kingdom and the United States of America

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Cap

Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Palau, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Türkiye, Ukraine, the United Kingdom, and the United States remain gravely concerned regarding large-scale evasion of restrictions the UN Security Council has imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea's (DPRK) import of refined petroleum products. UN Security Council resolution UNSCR 2397, operative paragraph (OP) 5, limits the DPRK to importing no more than 500,000 barrels of refined petroleum per year. Any Member State supplying, selling, or transferring refined petroleum products is required to submit reports to the UN 1718 Committee informing it of the transfer every 30 days in order to allow the Committee to maintain an accounting of the DPRK's imports.

Moreover, UNSCR 2375 OP 11 prohibits UN Member States from engaging in ship-to-ship (STS) transfers with any DPRK-flagged vessel of any goods or items that are being supplied, sold, or transferred to or from the DPRK. Nevertheless, DPRK-flagged vessels continue to conduct STS transfers on a regular basis as the DPRK's primary means of importing refined petroleum. The information in this report demonstrates that the DPRK has exceeded the UNSCR 2397 annual 500,000-barrel cap for 2023.

This submission further affirms previous submissions from 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022 (see S/AC.49/2018/NOTE.213, S/AC.49/2019/NOTE.134, S/AC.49/2020/COMM.254, S/AC.49/2021/NOTE.105, and S/AC.49/2022/NOTE.61) and Panel of Experts reporting (see maritime sections of S/2018/171, S/2019/171, S/2019/691, S/2020/151, S/2020/840, S/2021/211, S/2021/777, S/2022/132, S/2022/668 and S/2023/171) that exhaustively demonstrated and detailed the illicit practices employed by the DPRK to circumvent UNSCR-mandated restrictions on its ability to import refined petroleum products. As a result, this report will not seek to repeat in detail the specific information the DPRK's evasive practices outlined in previous formal submissions to the UN 1718 Committee. These practices continue unabated, but the DPRK utilizes an ever-evolving fleet of vessels under its flag or its direct control to perpetrate pervasive and ongoing sanctions evasion.

This report demonstrates that the DPRK continues to conduct UN-prohibited STS transfers and imports of refined petroleum that are not reported to the 1718 Committee as required, and again this year has exceeded the UNSCR 2397 OP 5 refined petroleum products cap of 500,000 barrels per annum. This report supplies images and import volume data for vessels that continue to make deliveries of refined petroleum into DPRK ports and in the DPRK's territorial sea, without these deliveries being reported to the UN 1718 Committee. STS transfers of any cargo are explicitly prohibited by UNSCR 2375, so the relevant Member States involved in supplying refined petroleum products to DPRK tankers fail to report these volumes to avoid self-incrimination. As a result, the UN 1718 Committee's official accounting of the DPRK's imports vastly underrepresents the volume of refined petroleum products that actually enter the DPRK.

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The overarching purpose of UNSCR 2397's provision limiting the DPRK's ability to import refined petroleum products is to limit the DPRK's ability to develop weapons of mass destruction (WMD) and ballistic missiles, which are a threat to international peace and security and are prohibited by numerous UNSCRs. The restriction on the DPRK's refined petroleum products imports is critical to ensuring that the DPRK chooses to halt these prohibited programs and completely denuclearize. If the DPRK is able to continue evading international sanctions, it has little incentive to make such choices. As long as the DPRK continues to import refined petroleum products in excess of the UN-mandated cap with limited accountability at the UN, UNSCR 2397 OP 5 will remain ineffectual – which also undermines both the DPRK UNSCRs as well as the UN 1718 Committee.

These deliveries have significantly contributed to a substantial breach of the 500,000-barrel annual cap set by UNSCR 2397. We estimate that, this year alone, the DPRK has imported over 1,523,381 barrels via 87 confirmed tanker deliveries as of September 15, 2023. Again in 2023, refined petroleum transfers to the DPRK utilized DPRK-flagged vessels, a change from previous years when foreign-flagged delivery vessels directly unloaded petroleum at DPRK ports. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, oil was acquired by DPRK-flagged ships from foreign flagged vessels via STS, and those laden DPRK-flagged ships then underwent quarantine measures outside of the lock-gates near DPRK ports prior to delivering their petroleum cargoes.

As discussed in previous submissions on the DPRK's breach of the import cap in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022, this report cannot provide an exact figure for each delivery of refined

petroleum products to the DPRK, as that information is not readily available to any UN Member State other than the DPRK. This report instead calculates how much petroleum was acquired by the DPRK based on each vessel's dead weight tonnage, with estimates for each ship at two different levels of cargo storage capacity – 90 percent and 60 percent of the vessels' dead weight tonnage. It is highly likely that DPRK tankers deployed in search of precious and limited refined petroleum and fuel via STS transfers or engaging in direct deliveries would arrive in DPRK ports with as much of their cargo capacities full (i.e., 90 percent calculation). The expenditure of scarce resources and fuel consumption by the tanker itself, the risks of tanker disruption or interdiction, and the DPRK's dependence on importing refined petroleum would not justify the tanker in question returning to port with less than 90 percent of its cargo storage capacity filled.

We are providing images that document 87 deliveries of refined petroleum products to DPRK ports, which, when aggregated, represent 1,523,381 barrels of illicit imports – constituting a clear breach of the cap imposed by UNSCR 2397 OP 5, based on the 90 percent metric. Even if each of these tankers delivered only 60 percent of their capacity in these 87 deliveries, which would be neither financially nor logistically sound, the estimated volume (1,015,588 barrels) would still represent a breach of the annual cap. Table 1 below documents each of these transfers and provides an associated volume. Table 2 below graphically depicts the DPRK's import of refined petroleum between January 1 and September 15, 2023.

Please refer to pages one through five of the attached Annex.

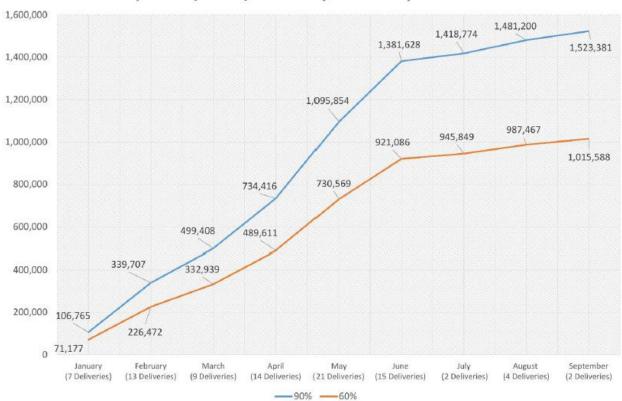
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Given the information provided herein, we request that the 1718 Committee immediately make an official determination that the aggregate amount of refined petroleum products sold, supplied, or transferred to the DPRK in 2023 has exceeded the 500,000-barrel annual cap and inform Member States that they must immediately cease selling, supplying, or transferring refined petroleum products to the DPRK for the remainder of the year. Similarly, the Panel of Experts is requested to review this report's analysis and underlying information in order to make a determination in its next report on the volume of refined petroleum product imports to the DPRK and the associated implications for the implementation of UNSCR 2397's refined petroleum product import cap.

See Appendix 1 for more information on vessels that have discharged refined petroleum in 2023.

Please refer to pages five through 126 of the attached Annex.

## 2023 DPRK Unreported Seaborne Petroleum Imports (BBLs) January 01 – September 15



	Port	Arrival Date	IMO	Vessel Name	Dead Weight Tonnage	Delivery Metric 60% Laden	Delivery Metric 90% Laden
1	Nampo	03-JAN-23	8916293	Sin Phyong 9	1,150.0	690.0	1,035.0
2	Nampo	08-JAN-23	8848276	Po Chon	3,538.0	2,122.8	3,184.2
3	Nampo	18-JAN-23	8720436	Kum Un San	2,070.0	1,242.0	1,863.0
4	Nampo	18-JAN-23	8865121	Sin Pyong 5	3,295.0	1,977.0	2,965.5
5	Hungnam	19-JAN-23	8021579	Sin Phyong 14	949.0	569.4	854.1
6	Nampo	25-JAN-23	8660313	Chon Ma San	3,565.0	2,139.0	3,208.5
7	Nampo	27-JAN-23	8898740	Ji Song 6	1,250.0	750.0	1,125.0
8	Nampo	02-FEB-23	9129653	Paek Yang San 1	5,403.0	3,241.8	4,862.7
9	Nampo	05-FEB-23	7408873	Sam Jong 2	2,507.0	1,504.2	2,256.3
10	Nampo	05-FEB-23	8604917	Yu Jong 2	1,206.0	723.6	1,085.4
11	Nampo	08-FEB-23	8817007	Sin Phyong 2	2,105.0	1,263.0	1,894.5
12	Nampo	10-FEB-23	8610461	Kum Ryong 3	1,998.0	1,198.8	1,798.2
13	Nampo	14-FEB-23	8708684	Kum Jin Gang 2	1,988.0	1,192.8	1,789.2
14	Nampo	14-FEB-23	8791667	Chang Hae 1	4,983.0	2,989.8	4,484.7
15	Hungnam	14-FEB-23	8021579	Sin Phyong 14	949.0	569.4	854.1
16	Nampo	16-FEB-23	8711021	Chil Bo San	1,999.0	1,199.4	1,799.1
17	Nampo	19-FEB-23	7389704	Rye Song Gang 1	3,003.0	1,801.8	2,702.7
18	Nampo	21-FEB-23	9066978	Paek Ma	2,250.0	1,350.0	2,025.0
19	Chongjin	23-FEB-23	8916293	Sin Phyong 9	1,150.0	690.0	1,035.0
20	Nampo	26-FEB-23	7636638	Wol Bong San	4,969.0	2,981.4	4,472.1
21	Nampo	04-MAR-23	8865121	Sin Pyong 5	3,295.0	1,977.0	2,965.5
22	Chongjin	13-MAR-23	8021579	Sin Phyong 14	949.0	569.4	854.1
23	Nampo	19-MAR-23	7303803	An San 1	3,003.0	1,801.8	2,702.7

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	Port	Arrival Date	IMO	Vessel Name	Dead Weight	Delivery Metric	Delivery Metric
					Tonnage	60% Laden	90% Laden
4	Nampo	19-MAR-23	N/A	Un Hung 8	2,733.3	1,640.0	2,460.0
5	Nampo	19-MAR-23	8817007	Sin Phyong 2	2,105.0	1,263.0	1,894.5
ŝ	Nampo	29-MAR-23	7408873	Sam Jong 2	2,507.0	1,504.2	2,256.3
7	Nampo	29-MAR-23	8610461	Kum Ryong 3	1,998.0	1,198.8	1,798.2
3	Nampo	30-MAR-23	9132612	Nam Dae Bong	4,999.0	2,999.4	4,499.1
9	Nampo	30-MAR-23	8720436	Kum Un San	2,070.0	1,242.0	1,863.0
0	Nampo	02-APR-23	8916293	Sin Phyong 9	1,150.0	690.0	1,035.0
1	Nampo	02-APR-23	8604917	Yu Jong 2	1,206.0	723.6	1,085.4
2	Nampo	02-APR-23	8106496	Sam Ma 2	1,731.0	1,038.6	1,557.9
3	Nampo	07-APR-23	8610461	Kum Ryong 3	1,998.0	1,198.8	1,798.2
4	Nampo	07-APR-23	8691702	Yu Son	3,398.0	2,038.8	3,058.2
5	Nampo	09-APR-23	8711021	Chil Bo San	1,999.0	1,199.4	1,799.1
6	Chongjin	11-APR-23	8865121	Sin Pyong 5	3,295.0	1,977.0	2,965.5
7	Nampo	16-APR-23	8660313	Chon Ma San	3,565.0	2,139.0	3,208.5
8	Nampo	18-APR-23	8405311	Sam Jong 1	1,665.0	999.0	1,498.5
9	Nampo	20-APR-23	8817007	Sin Phyong 2	2,105.0	1,263.0	1,894.5
0	Nampo	20-APR-23	8791667	Kum Jin Gang 3	4,983.0	2,989.8	4,484.7
1	Songnim	21-APR-23	8720436	Kum Un San	2,070.0	1,242.0	1,863.0
2	Nampo	24-APR-23	9045962	Un Hung	3,685.0	2,211.0	3,316.5
3	Nampo	26-APR-23	8605026	Kwang Chon	1,966.0	1,179.6	1,769.4
4	Nampo	01-MAY-23	8708684	Kum Jin Gang 2	1,988.0	1,192.8	1,789.2
5	Nampo	01-MAY-23	8898740	Ji Song 6	1,250.0	750.0	1,125.0
6	Nampo	01-MAY-23	8691702	Yu Son	3,398.0	2,038.8	3,058.2
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					Tonnage	60% Laden	90% Laden
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	Port	Arrival Date	IMO	Vessel Name	Dead Weight Tonnage	Delivery Metric 60% Laden	Delivery Metric 90% Laden
70	Nampo	15-JUN-23	8669589	A Bong 1	3,250.0	1,950.0	2,925.0
71	Nampo	16-JUN-23	8791667	Kum Jin Gang 3	4,484.7	2,690.8	4,036.2
72	Nampo	23-JUN-23	8916293	Sin Phyong 9	1,150.0	690.0	1,035.0
73	Nampo	23-JUN-23	N/A	Un Hung 8	2733.3	1,640.0	2,460.0
74	Nampo	23-JUN-23	8711021	Chil Bo San	1,999.0	1,199.4	1,799.1
75	Chongjin	23-JUN-23	8720436	Kum Un San	2,070.0	1,242.0	1,863.0
76	Nampo	27-JUN-23	8660313	Chon Ma San	3,565.0	2,139.0	3,208.5
77	Nampo	28-JUN-23	7303803	An San 1	3,003.0	1,801.8	2,702.7
78	Hungnam	28-JUN-23	8865121	Sin Pyong 5	3,295.0	1,977.0	2,965.5
79	Nampo	28-JUN-23	8604917	Yu Jong 2	1,206.0	723.6	1,085.4
80	Nampo	19-JUL-23	8691702	Yu Son	3,398.0	2,038.8	3,058.2
81	Chongjin	27-JUL-23	8817007	Sin Phyong 2	2,105.0	1,263.0	1,894.5
82	Nampo	09-AUG-23	8916293	Sin Phyong 9	1,150.0	690.0	1,035.0
83	Nampo	09-AUG-23	N/A	Un Hung 8	2,733.3	1,640.0	2,460.0
84	Hungnam	31-AUG-23	8865121	Sin Phyong 5	3,295.0	1,977.0	2,965.5
85	Songnim	31-AUG-23	8720436	Kum Un San	2,070.0	1,242.0	1,863.0
86	Nampo	08-SEP-23	8898740	Ji Song 6	1,250.0	750.0	1,125.0
87	Nampo	14-SEP-23	8312497	Song Won 2	4,999.0	2,999.4	4,499.1

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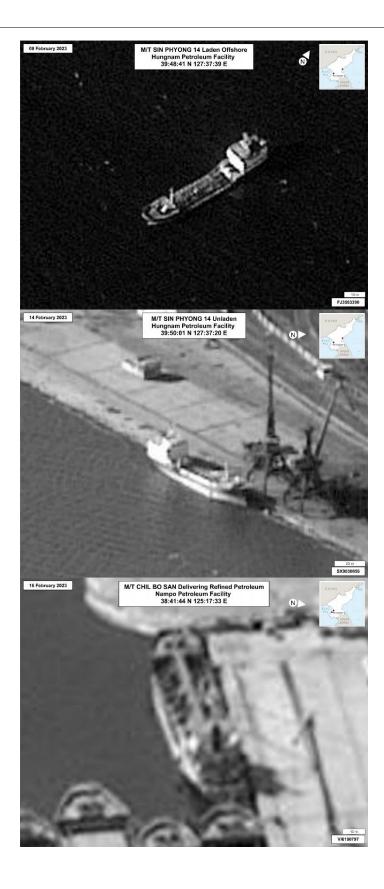
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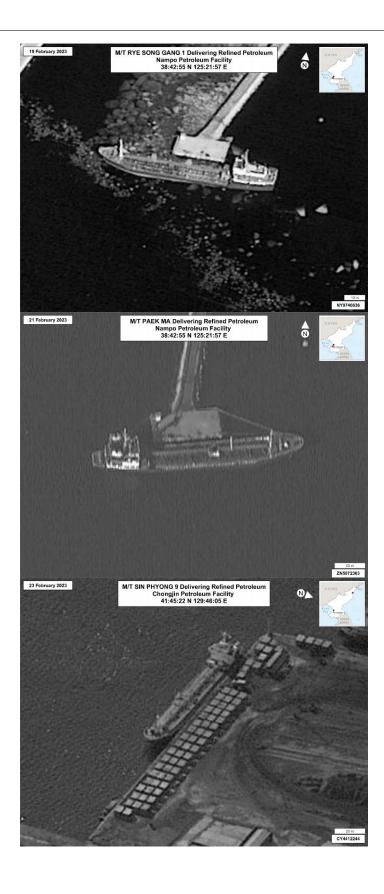


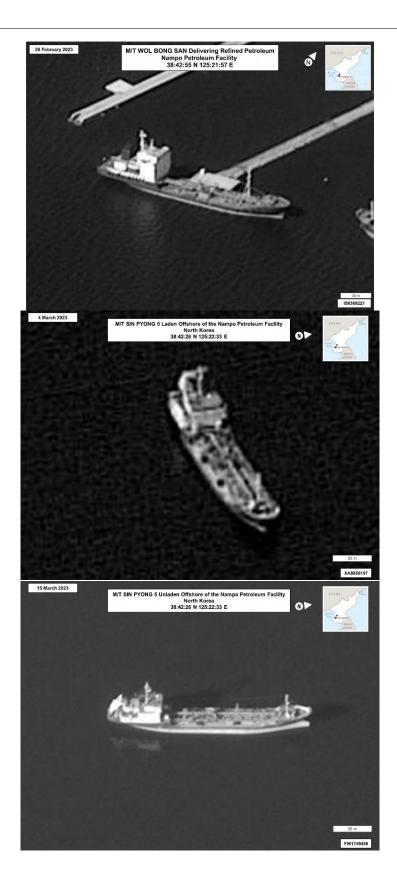
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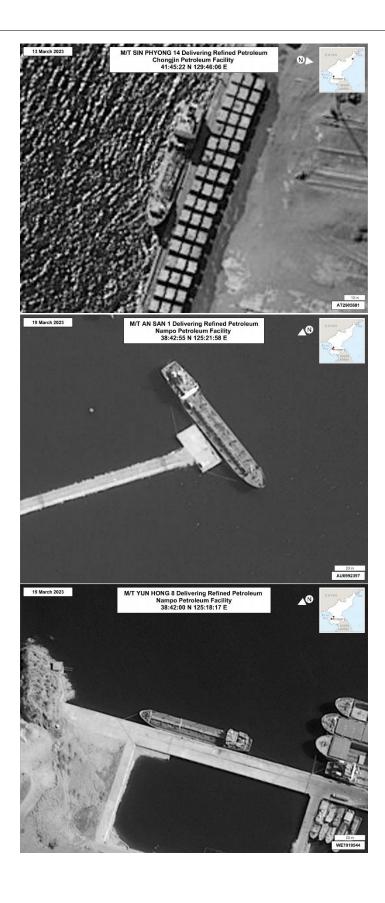


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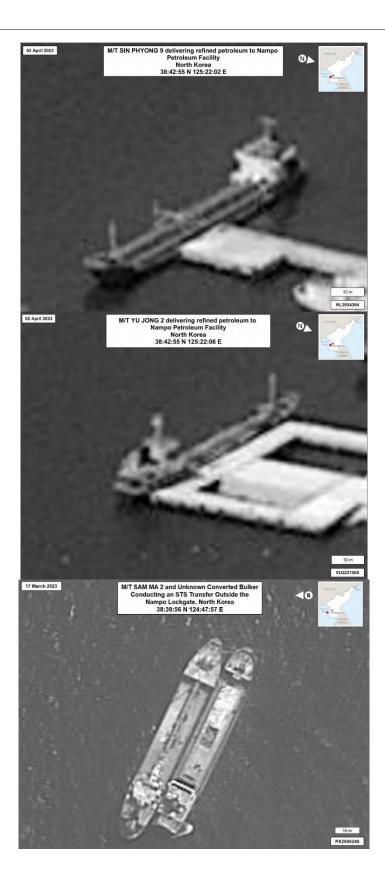
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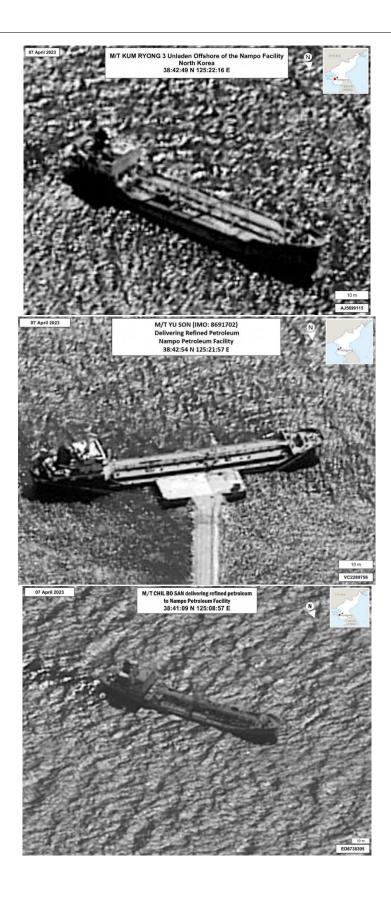
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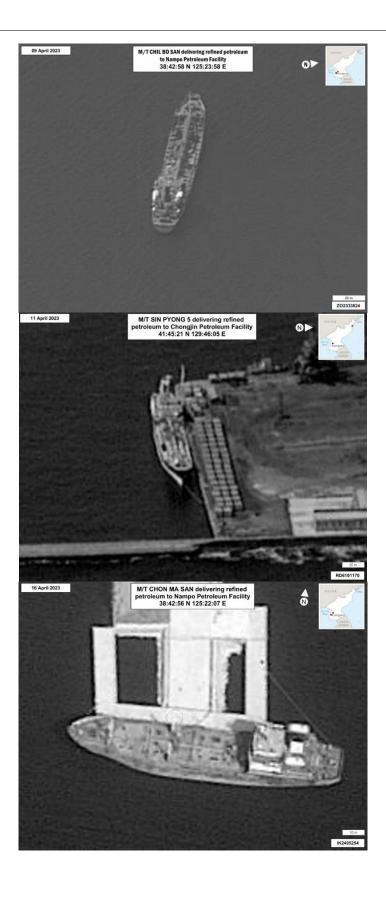


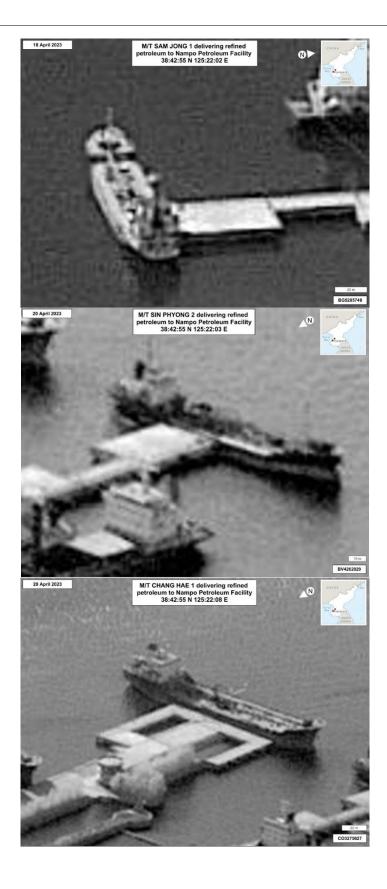
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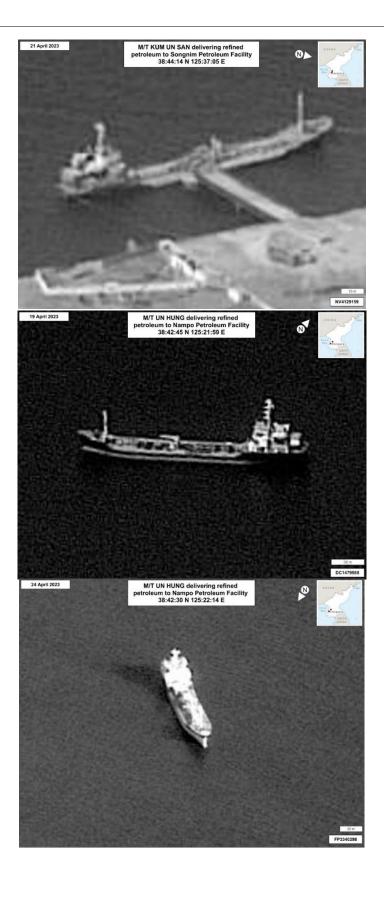


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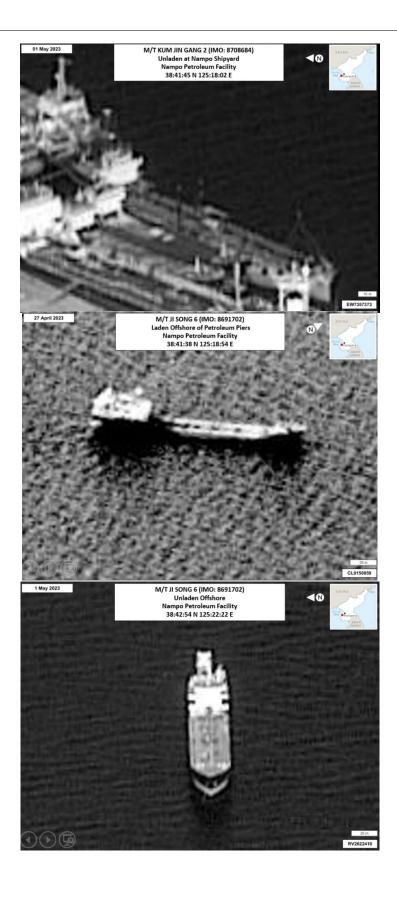


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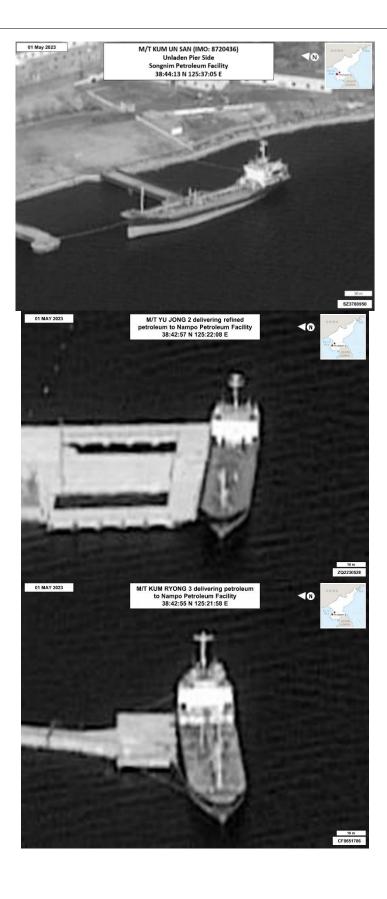


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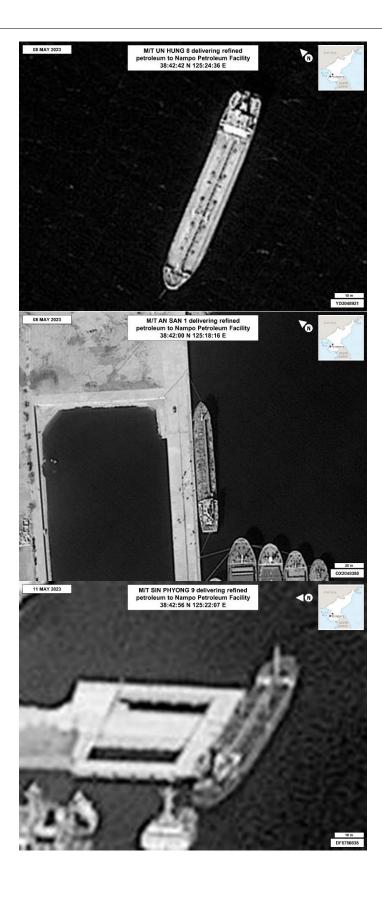


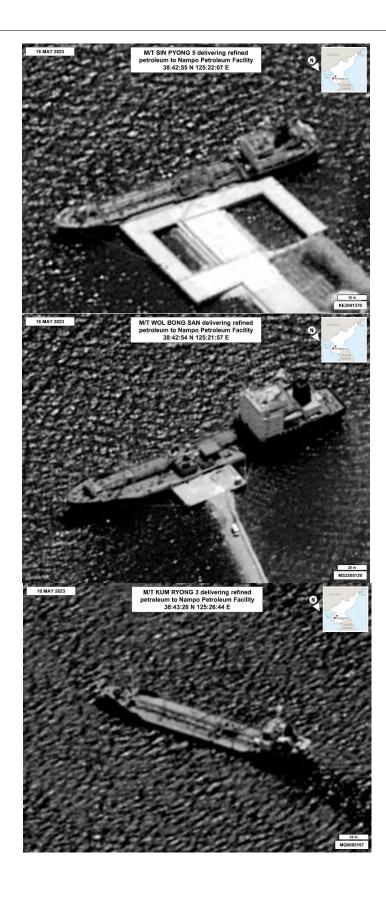
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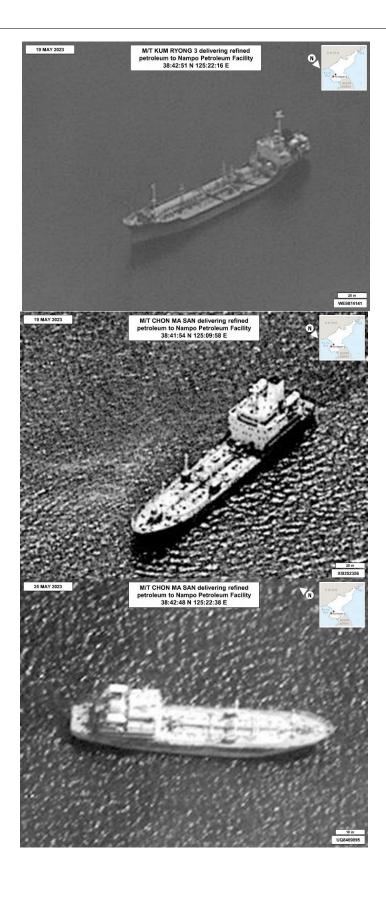


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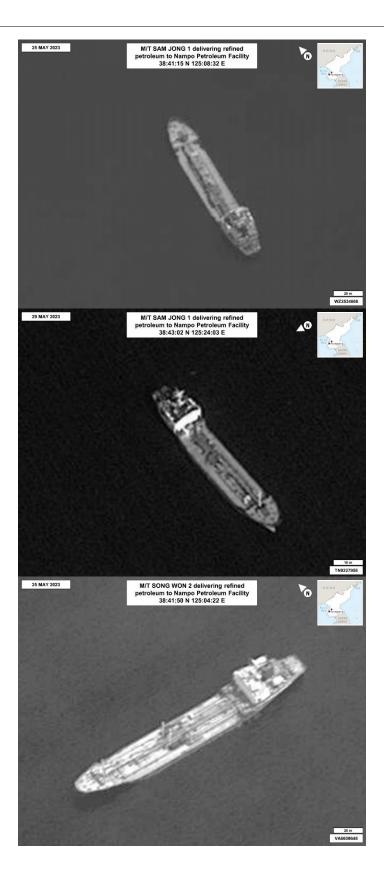


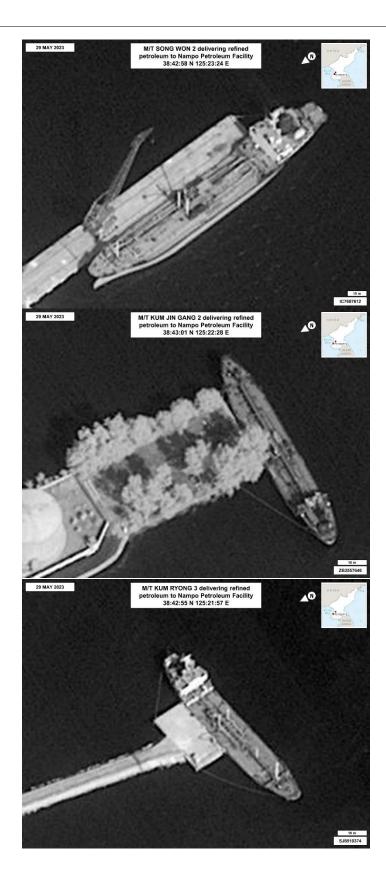
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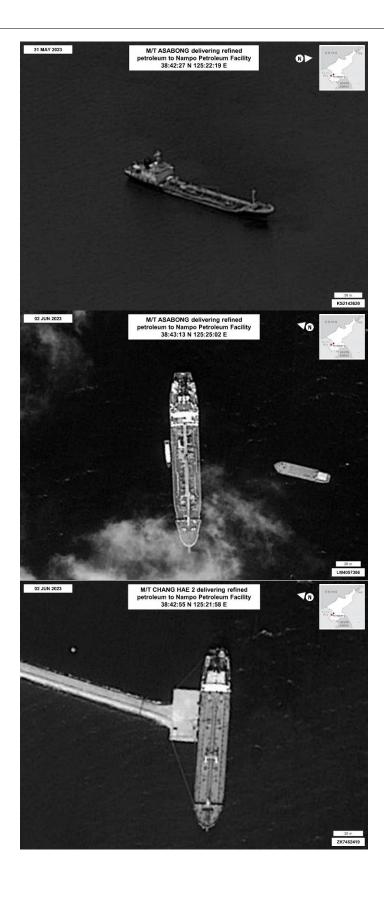


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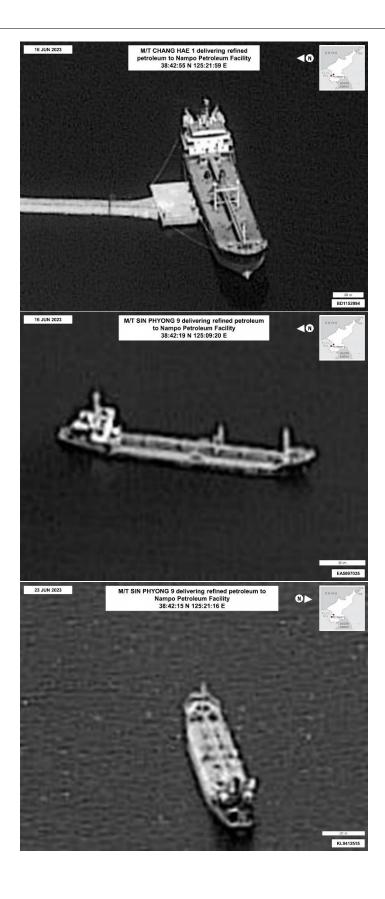
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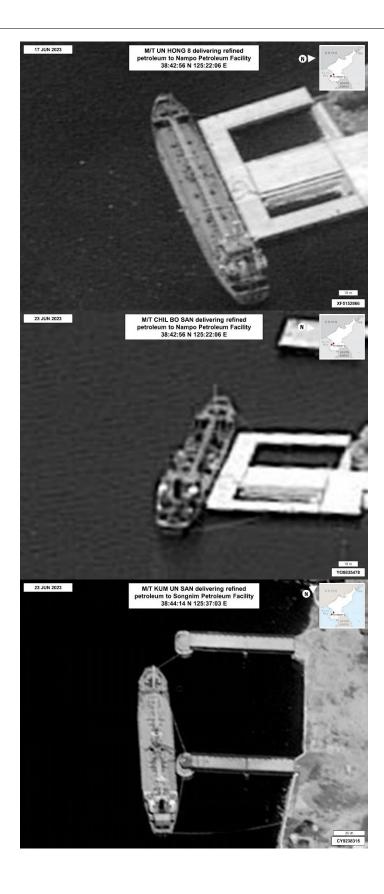


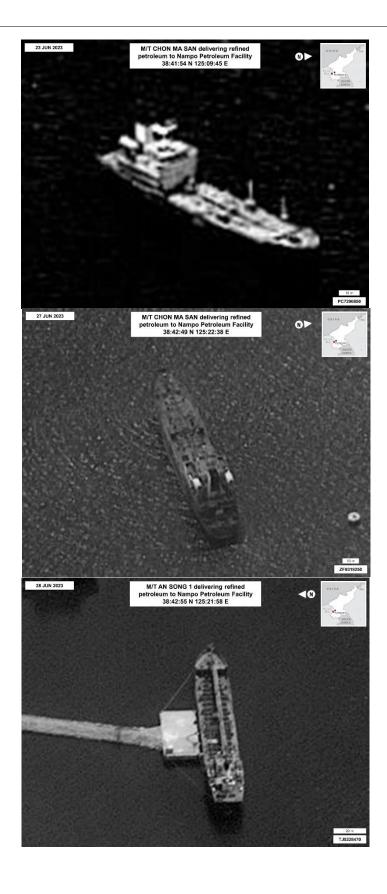
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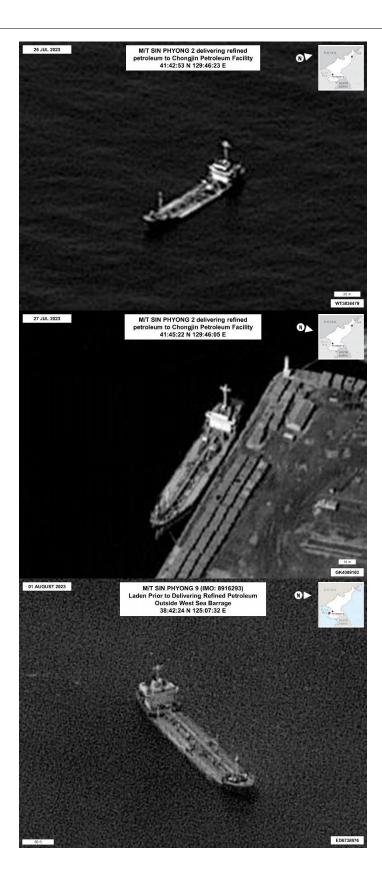


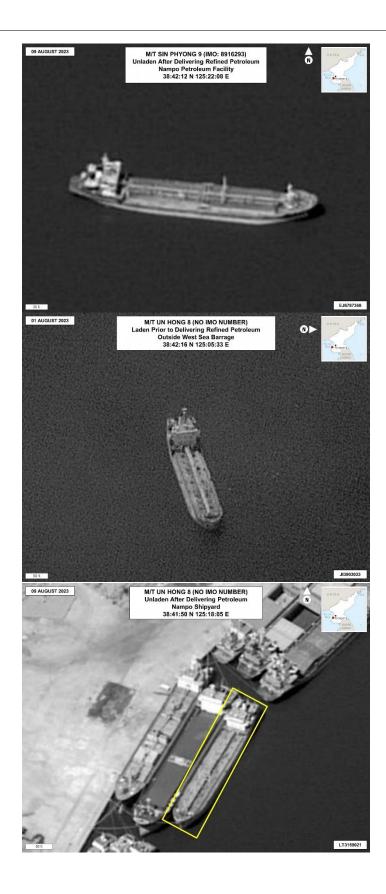
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Source: Member State.

# Annex 30: Positions of China and the Russian Federation on the letter from 55 Member States regarding the oil cap dated 21 November 2023

### Communication dated 28 November 2023 from the delegation of China to the Committee

Dear colleagues,

China takes note of the joint letter from some member states dated 20th November.

Over the years, we have witnessed several similar joint letters which contained same observations supported by unclear satellite photos from individual countries. For the content of the letter in consideration is quite the same and based on same methodology, China is still in the same position that the Committee should take actions on the basis of solid evidence and sufficient facts instead of crude estimation based on assumptive conditions. It is neither scientific nor prudent for the report to draw such a conclusion that the annual limit of refined petroleum has been exceeded.

Thus, China would like to put this proposal on hold.

# Communication dated 29 November 2023 from the delegation of the Russian Federation to the Committee

Dear colleagues,

Regarding the joint letter dated 20th November on the oil cap, Russia takes note of the proposed actions by the Chair. Given the lack of the official first-hand information on the issue we oppose using controversial sources, such as unclear satellite photos, as a basis for action of the Committee.

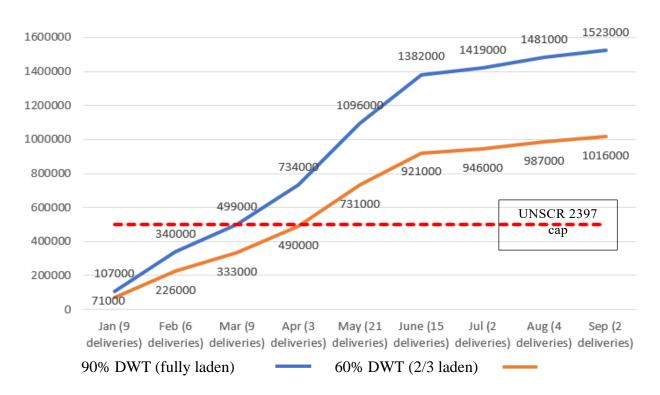
Therefore we would like to put the proposed draft note verbale and draft press release on hold.

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# Annex 31: The Panel's review of the report submitted by 55 Member States<sup>208</sup>

- 1. In their report, the 55 Member States wrote "the Panel of Experts is requested to review this report's analysis and underlying information in order to make a determination in its next report on the volume of refined petroleum product imports to the DPRK and the associated implications for the implementation of UNSCR 2397's refined petroleum product import cap."
- 2. The Panel has no independent data sources to corroborate the estimates made in the Member States' letter. DPRK tankers rarely employ AIS transmissions and are thus extremely difficult to track on maritime monitoring systems, and only DPRK could confirm the exact quantity and types of refined petroleum products delivered by each tanker.
- 3. Deadweight tonnage (DWT) is the total of the weights of a vessel's cargo, fuel, fresh water, ballast water, provisions, and crew. According to industry standards, a vessel's estimated maximum cargo capacity is approximately 90% of its DWT (as stated on the website of the International Maritime Organization), although a vessel which was deliberately stripped back and sailing dangerously might carry more than 90% of its DWT. [One expert agrees with this review only up to this point.]

Table 1: Reported deliveries (in barrels, rounded down to nearest 10,000 barrels) of refined oil products, Nampo, Hungnam, Chonjin and Songnim, January- September 2023



Source: 55 Member States, the Panel.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>208</sup> One expert agrees only with paras. 1-3.

- 4. The Member States' estimates, although based on observed deliveries in only the first nine months of the year, indicate that the oil cap was breached in February (based on cargo capacity of 90% of DWT) or April (60% of DWT). There could have been more unobserved deliveries of refined petroleum to Nampo and the other ports in this period (at night, or under cloud cover), but not fewer.<sup>209</sup>
- 5. Finally, because the Panel is currently unable to distinguish between licit deliveries of refined oil products reported to the 1718 Committee and illicit deliveries, the amounts of oil products in Figure VIII of the main text might either be a part of the estimated deliveries in table 1 above or they should be added to the estimates.

<sup>209</sup> One expert disagrees with the inclusion of paragraph 4.

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# Annex 32: Chon Ma San (IMO: 8660313)

Photograph of the UN-designated DPRK-flagged tanker Chon Ma San taken in 2020



Source: Member State.

In 2023, the DPRK-flagged *Chon Ma San* transited south into the East China Sea on a near-monthly basis, of which on three occasions (March, May and September) she transited in the Taiwan Strait in an area where multi-stage oil cargo transfers destined for the DPRK have been known to occur (see figure 1).

Satellite imagery provided by 55 Member States (annex 29) showed Chon Ma San offloading refined petroleum at Nampo port on four occasions <sup>210</sup>, putting the relevant dates of 16 April and 19 May 2023 at Nampo within a two-week timeframe following the tanker's AIS transmissions on and around 29 March and 9 May 2023 identified in figure 1 below. This timeframe of off-load in the DPRK is consistent with past Panel investigations tracking ship-to-ship transfers, where DPRK tankers would typically stay out for longer periods of time to maximize its oil cargo loads before returning home. Previous imageries provided by a Member State of DPRK tankers at Nampo port have typically shown DPRK tankers as heavily laden. Prior to 2023, *Chon Ma San* was last recorded transmitting AIS signal on the same commercial maritime database in May 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>210</sup> Chon Ma San was imaged at Nampo port on: 23 January, 16 April, 19 May and 27 June 2023.

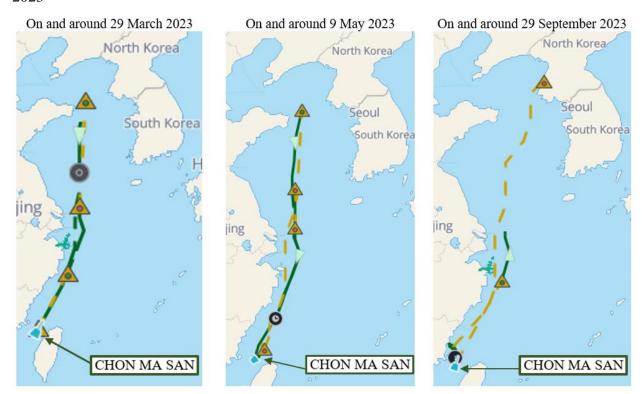


Figure 1: *Chon Ma San* transiting into a sea area in the Taiwan Strait, March, May and September 2023

Source: Windward, annotated by the Panel.

Chon Ma San has repeatedly delivered refined petroleum to the DPRK over the years<sup>211</sup> despite being designated on 30 March 2018.<sup>212</sup> In 2021, the Panel reported<sup>213</sup> another ship-to-ship transfer on 8 August the same year, between *Chon Ma San* and *Diamond* 8 (IMO: 9132612) in another known transfer sea area in the DPRK's economic exclusive zone (figure 2). *Diamond* 8, another FDDV that was widely reported by the Panel, came under the DPRK's fleet as of August 2021 sailing as *Nam Dae Bong*.<sup>214</sup>

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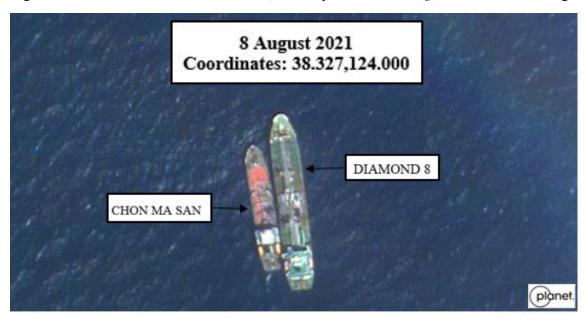
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>211</sup> See S/2019/961, annex 1, table 1; S/2021/151, annex 1; S/2020/840, annex 15, table 1; S/2021/211, annex 21; S/2022/132, annex 31, table 1; S/2022/668, annex 24; S/2023/171, annex 27, table 1; and S/2023/656, annex 26.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>212</sup> https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1718/materials/1718-Designated-Vessels-List. *Chon Ma San* was designated for conducting ship-to-ship transfer with *Jin Hye* (IMO: 8518572) in December 2017. *Jin Hye* was de-flagged as of April 2018, based on IMO records.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>213</sup> S/2022/132 paras 40.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>214</sup> This information was retroactively updated on the IMO GISIS' website several years after the vessel had come under the DPRK's fleet.

Figure 2: Chon Ma San and Diamond 8 (currently Nam Dae Bong), DPRK EEZ, 8 August 2021



Source: Planet Labs, annotated by the Panel.

# Annex 33: DPRK vessels spoofing their digital identity

The tabled list of DPRK vessels as reported by the Enforcement Coordination Cell (ECC)<sup>215</sup> partner nations. The Panel has independently tracked many of the spoofed names on a commercial maritime database platform.<sup>216</sup> Several have continued to spoof ship names and MMSIs they were previously registered sailing on.

Table 1: DPRK vessels spoofing their identity, 1 April to 15 September 2023

VESSEL DETAILS		Observed Spoofing Measure on AIS		
NAME	IMO	Name	IMO	MMSI
EVER GLORY	9102813	EVER FENG	9102813	-
•	•	925	-	-
		CHONG SU		
		DONG	866031300	445082000
		F. LONLINE	-	-
		LITON	-	-
		SONGMYENG2	8817007	445725000
SINPYONG 11	9154189			445810000
		RYON PUNG	9154189	
SIN PHYONG 2	8817007	MIN HAE	8817007	445725000
		TIAN YOU	-	-
SIN PYONG 5	8865121	RYON PUNG	9154189	445810000
		SINPHYONG5	8865121	445121000
NAM DAE BONG	9132612	SHUN LI	9298064	671291100
SIN PHYONG 14	8021579	MADUCAN	-	-
CHANG HAE 2	8691702	YU SON	445604000	-
CHON MA SAN	8660313	CHONG SU		
		DONG	8660313000	445082000
CHIL BO SAN	8711021	LITON	-	45710600
		SINHUNG	8711021	445723000
RON PHUNG	9154189	XIA MEN	-	445810000
SAM JONG 1	8405311	445308000	-	445308000
KUM RYONG 3	8610461	RYONG BONG 1	8610461	445591000
CHOL BONG SAN 1	9125308	DAEHO		
		SUNRISE	9125308	445290000
		MU BONG 1	-	-

Source: Member State.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>215</sup> See https://www.state.gov/pacific-security-maritime-exchange/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>216</sup> Windward.

# Annex 34: DPRK tanker with a reconfigured cargo ship

In this imagery (figure 1), the DPRK Tanker *Sam Ma* 2 (IMO: 8106496) was observed berthed alongside a cargo ship that was re-configured to take on oil cargo. The Member State that provided the satellite imagery indicated that both vessels conducted ship-to-ship transfer. Further, the absence of venting structures, firefighting appliance and interconnected cargo piping for the said transfer meant the reconfiguration was not compliant with international regulations. The Panel separately notes that the location of the ship-to-ship transfer within the DPRK's territorial waters indicate that the cargo ship could be a DPRK ship, consistent with information reported by the Panel in 2022.<sup>217</sup> A similar looking reconfigured cargo ship was photographed earlier in 2020<sup>218</sup> (figure 2).

M/T SAM MA 2 (IMO: 8106496) and Unknown
Converted Bulker Conducting an STS Transfer
Outside West Sea Barrage
38:39:56 N 124:47:57 E

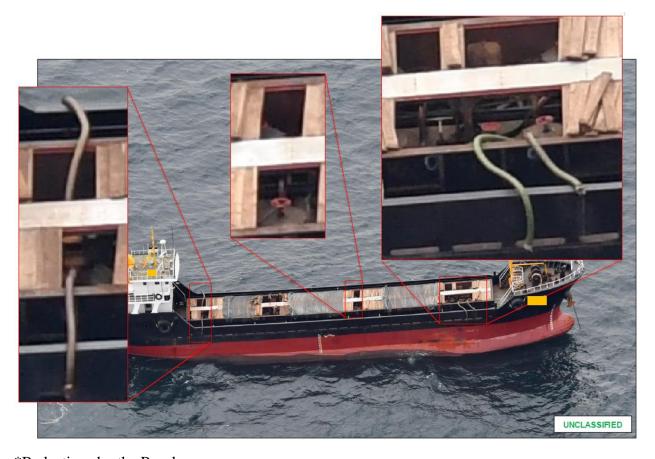
Figure 1: DPRK tanker conducting ship-to-ship transfer with a reconfigured cargo ship, West Sea Barrage, 17 March 2023

Source: Member State.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>217</sup> S/2022/668, paras. 31-34 and recommendation 87.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>218</sup> S/2023/171, annex 30.

Figure 2: Another example of a re-configured cargo ship with closeups showing likely concealed fuel tanks, East China Sea, October 2020\*



<sup>\*</sup>Redactions by the Panel.

In the instance of *Sam Ma*, the Member State observed the vessel in turn transferred some refined petroleum cargo to a smaller tanker without IMO number later the same month of March 2023. The small vessel in turn was assessed to have discharged her cargo to other DPRK-flagged vessels anchored within the West Sea Barrage, likely to keep their generators running (figure 3). *Sam Ma* 2 delivered its remaining oil cargo at Nampo in early April (figure 4).

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M/T SAM MA 2 (IMO: 8106496) and M/T JHONG YOOG
YOU 2 (IMO: NO IMO NUMBER) Conducting an STS
Transfer Outside the
Nampo Lockgate, North Korea
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Figure 3: Sam Ma 2 with non-IMO vessel Jhong Yoog You 2, Nampo, 26 March 2023

Source: Member State.



Figure 4: Sam Ma 2 pier side delivering refined petroleum, Nampo, 2 April 2023

Source: Member State.

# Annex 35: Additional replies from Member States on trade statistics in the Panel's previous report (\$/2023/656, annex 52)

## Letter from the Permanent Mission of Colombia and Colombia's reply





No. 23-658-E

New York, 9 August 2023

Mrs.

Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) United Nations

Mrs.

I address you in reply to your letter S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.112 dated 15 June 2023, requesting detailed information concerning trade data from Colombia, following regulations established by Security Council resolutions 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2087 (2013), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016), 2321 (2016), 2356 (2017), 2371 (2017), 2375 (2017) and 2397 (2017).

Please find the detailed information attached to this letter, provided by Colombia's National Entities regulating trade and taxes.

The Permanent Mission of Colombia will be attentive to provide any further information should the Panel of Experts needs it.

Sincerely,

LEONOR ZALABATA TORRES Ambassador, Permanent Representative

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DIRECCIÓN DE ASUNTOS POLÍTICOS MULTILATERALES Viceministerio de Asuntos Multilaterales

# RESPUESTA REQUERIMIENTO DEL PANEL DE EXPERTOS ESTABLECIDO EN VIRTUD DE LA RESOLUCIÓN 1874 (2009) DEL CONSEJO DE SEGURIDAD DE LAS NACIONES UNIDAS

12 de julio de 2023

Requerimiento	realizado	a	Colombia	mediante	comunicación
S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.112 del 15 de junio de 2023					

La siguiente información se remite, en virtud a lo respondido por la Dirección de Impuestos y Aduanas Nacionales de Colombia (DIAN)

# EXPORTACIONES DE LA REPÚBLICA POPULAR DEMOCRÁTICA DE COREA (RPDC) A COLOMBIA (IMPORTACIONES)

 Confirmar si los siguientes datos son exactos. De ser inexactos presentar copias digitales de documentos originales o una explicación sobre la causa de la inexactitud.

Tabla 1. Maquinaria (Código SA 84)

Fecha	Valor aproximado (USD)
Octubre de 2022	1.000
Noviembre de 2022	2.000
Enero de 2023	1.000

Frente a las operaciones mencionadas en la Tabla 1, se informa que revisado el sistema informático aduanero se encontró lo siguiente:

- a. Octubre de 2022: Declaración de importación No. 032022001424645-0 con valor en aduana de USD 808,77; en la cual, si bien aparece la RPDC como país de origen de la mercancía (Disco separador transmisión), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a los Estados Unidos. Esto quiere decir que, el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Estados Unidos.
- b. Noviembre de 2022: Declaraciones de importación números 412022000017644-8, 412022000017649-4, 412022000017650-2 y 412022000017659-8 con valor FOB de USD 95,90, USD 29,00, USD 47,54 y USD 6,46, respectivamente.

Se debe tener en cuenta que si bien en estas declaraciones de importación, la RPDC aparece como país de origen de la mercancía (culata de motor, filtro de aceite para vehículo, filtro de aire, filtro de gas, embrague), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Panamá. En todos los casos el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Panamá.

Así mismo, se encontró la declaración No. 032022001650505-6 con valor FOB de USD 1.681,73; en la cual, si bien aparece la RPDC como país de origen de la mercancía (Módulo MCU marca Hyundai), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y





el país de procedencia corresponde a los Estados Unidos. El exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Estados Unidos. El importador tiene calidad Operador Económico Autorizado (OEA).

Las declaraciones de importación antes mencionadas tienen un valor FOB total de USD 1.860,63.

c. Enero de 2023: Declaración de importación de 032023000086977-7 con valor en aduana de USD 758,89; en la cual, si bien aparece la RPDC como país de origen de la mercancía (Memoria RAM/repuesto sistema de tomografía computarizada), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a los Estados Unidos.

Tabla 2. Textiles (código SA 61)

Fecha	Valor aproximado (USD)
Noviembre de 2022	4.000
Diciembre de 2022	1.000

Respecto a las operaciones mencionadas en la Tabla 2, se informa que revisado el sistema informático aduanero se encontró lo siguiente:

a. Noviembre de 2022: Declaraciones de importación números 902022000180606-2 y 902022000200831-0 con valor FOB de USD 30,42 y USD 4.050,48; en las cuales, si bien aparece LA RPDC como país de origen de la mercancía (Medias marca polo Ralph Lauren), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Panamá. En ambos casos el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Panamá.

Las declaraciones de importación antes mencionadas tienen un valor FOB total de USD 4.080,90

b. <u>Diciembre de 2022:</u> Declaraciones de importación números 902022000205266-1, 902022000211452-1 y 902022000211454-4 con valor FOB de USD 520,20, USD 658,20 y USD 162, 84; en las cuales, si bien aparece la RPDC como país de origen de la mercancía (Medias marca polo Ralph Lauren), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Panamá. En todos los casos el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Panamá.

Las declaraciones de importación antes mencionadas tienen un valor FOB total de USD 1.341,24.

Aunque se encontraron operaciones que corresponden a los valores aproximados señalados por el International Trade Centre (ICT) Trade Map en las Tablas 1 y 2, es importante anotar que las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas solo indican el capítulo del Sistema Armonizado (SA) o hacen una mención general de la mercancía, por lo que de la descripción que aparece en las declaraciones de importación no se podría inferir que las mismas serán utilizadas en armamento nuclear o misiles.

Los capítulos 61 y 84 del SA comprenden una amplia gama de artículos, y en consecuencia, no todos los bienes de dichos capítulos podrían estar incluidos dentro de las prohibiciones de las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas.

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De otra parte, es de resaltar que, aunque las mercancías tenían como país de origen a la RPDC, en ningún caso este fue el país exportador, de compra o de procedencia.

Igualmente, existe la posibilidad de haberse cometido un error de digitación en la casilla No. 66 del código país de origen en las declaraciones de importación, es decir, que en realidad el origen es la República de Corea (190) y no la RPDC (187). La información encontrada se remitirá para las acciones de correspondencia en el control posterior.

2. Si los cargamentos de la RPDC a Colombia que contenían los artículos relevantes fueron inspeccionados de conformidad con el párrafo 18 de la resolución 2270 (2016), y de ser así, la razón por la cual no fueron incautados y dispuestos de conformidad con el párrafo 20 de la resolución 2397 (2017).

Es importante tener en cuenta que el ingreso de las mercancías al país está sometido a tres etapas de control aduanero: i) previo; ii) simultáneo y; iii) posterior.

El control previo se surte en el momento en que la mercancía (carga) llega a los aeropuertos, puertos o cruces de frontera, etapa en la cual los transportadores internacionales informan a la Dirección de Impuestos y Aduanas Nacionales (DIAN), a

través de los Sistemas Informáticos Electrónicos, los datos relacionados en los documentos de transporte, entre ellos, el país de embarque, pues no conoce el país de origen o de negociación de la mercancía. Aunque sistema de la DIAN contiene la información entregada por los transportadores, esta entidad no puede detectar si una mercancía tiene como origen la RPDC.

El control simultáneo tiene lugar cuando una vez surtida la etapa del control previo, los usuarios presentan las declaraciones de importación y solicitan el levante de las mercancías a través de los sistemas informáticos de la DIAN.

Al respecto, y acatando el Convenio de Facilitación al Comercio (AFC) de la Organización Mundial de Comercio (OMC), la DIAN cuenta con un sistema de selectividad y perfilamiento de riesgo, y en tal sentido las declaraciones pueden ser seleccionadas para inspección física, inspección documental u obtener levante automático. En este último caso no se hace inspección alguna.

Igualmente, en virtud de las mismas normas de facilitación, hay importadores que después de haber cumplido una serie de requisitos son reconocidos por la DIAN y otras entidades de control como *Operadores Económicos Autorizados (OEA)*, cuyas operaciones de comercio exterior no representan riesgo Estos importadores tienen beneficios, entre ellos, la obtención del levante automático de las mercancías, sin que ello impida que puedan ser sometidas a acciones de control.

Por último, el control posterior corresponde a las facultades de fiscalización que ejerce la autoridad aduanera sobre las mercancías que han obtenido el levante, en virtud del cual es posible incautarlas o aplicar sanciones conforme a la normatividad aduanera vigente.

Como se indicó en el punto anterior, las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas solo se refieren al capítulo del Sistema Armonizado o hacen una mención general de la mercancía, y de la descripción que aparece en las declaraciones de importación, por lo que no se podría inferir si dichas mercancías serán utilizadas en armamento nuclear o misiles, así como





tampoco en armamento químico y biológico. Acorde con lo anterior, las mercancías no fueron incautadas y/o eliminadas.

Adicionalmente, conforme a la legislación interna se debe adelantar un proceso de definición de situación jurídica de las mercancías que respete al debido proceso.

 Cualquier otra información relevante y/o acción tomada por las autoridades colombianas con respecto a las exportaciones de la RPDC a Colombia (importaciones).

Las operaciones de referencia tienen a *Estados Unidos y Panamá* como países de exportación, de compra o de procedencia. En tal sentido se entiende que, aunque la mercancía haya sido fabricada en la RPDC, la transacción no se adelantó con este país.

Con respecto a las medidas adoptadas, uno de los principios en que se fundamenta el Decreto 1165 de 2019, por el cual se dictan disposiciones relativas al Régimen de Aduanas de Colombia es, precisamente, el de seguridad y facilitación en la cadena logística de las operaciones de comercio exterior. Esto quiere decir que el control se cumplirá bajo un sistema de gestión de riesgo que permita neutralizar el contrabando, el lavado de activos, fortalecer la seguridad en las fronteras, así como prevenir el riesgo ambiental y la proliferación de armas de destrucción masiva

En esa línea, las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas son socializadas con las Direcciones Seccionales de la DIAN para su observancia y cumplimiento, sin desconocer los instrumentos internacionales que en materia de agilización de las operaciones de comercio exterior nos corresponde aplicar, tal como es el AFC de la OMC.

Así mismo, desde esa entidad se han expedido comunicaciones a las Direcciones Seccionales, mediante las cuales se imparten lineamientos relativos al reconocimiento de carga y de otra parte, se han realizado solicitudes de selectividad aduanera en los que se dan instrucciones para efectos de aplicación de controles.

Finalmente, es importante mencionar que en la actualidad la DIAN adelanta un proceso de modernización tecnológica que incluye el fortalecimiento del sistema de gestión de riesgos, lo que seguramente redundará en un control más efectivo.

#### IMPORTACIONES DE LA RPDC DESDE COLOMBIA (EXPORTACIONES)

Tabla 3. Hierro y acero (SA 72)

Fecha	Valor Aproximado (USD)
Diciembre de 2022	1.590.000

 Confirmar si los datos son exactos. De ser inexactos presentar copias digitales de documentos originales o una explicación sobre la causa de la inexactitud.

Revisadas las bases estadísticas de exportaciones del mes de diciembre de 2022 <a href="https://www.dian.gov.co/dian/cifras/Paginas/Bases-Estadísticas-de-Comercio-ExteriorImportaciones-y-Exportaciones.aspx">https://www.dian.gov.co/dian/cifras/Paginas/Bases-Estadísticas-de-Comercio-ExteriorImportaciones-y-Exportaciones.aspx</a>, se encontró una exportación desde Colombia, consistente en mercancía de la partida arancelaria 7202600000 (ferroníquel) por valor FOB de USD 1.589.688,33 que en la casilla del país de destino aparece la RPDC (187).

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Sin embargo, luego de verificar la razón social y domicilio del destinatario se observa que la mercancía va dirigida para la empresa "M/S POSCO con dirección 6261 DONGHAEAN - RO NAM - GU POHANG- SI GYEONGSANGEUK- DO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA" ubicada en la República de Corea, según información disponible en <a href="https://www.posco.co.kr/homepage/docs/eng6/jsp/company/posco/s91a1000012c.jsp">https://www.posco.co.kr/homepage/docs/eng6/jsp/company/posco/s91a1000012c.jsp</a> y en <a href="https://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/POSCO">https://es.wikipedia.org/wiki/POSCO</a>.

Conforme a ello, se trata de un error en el diligenciamiento de la declaración de exportación en la casilla de país de destino, por lo que el tema también será remitido al área competente del control posterior.

2. Si los cargamentos de Colombia a la RPDC que contenían los artículos relevantes fueron inspeccionados de conformidad con el párrafo 18 de la resolución 2270 (2016), y de ser así, la razón por la cual no fueron incautados y dispuestos de conformidad con el párrafo 20 de la resolución 2397 (2017).

No se puede contestar esta pregunta, por cuanto la operación de exportación tiene como destino real una empresa ubicada en la República de Corea.

Cualquier otra información relevante y/o acción realizada por las autoridades colombianas con respecto a las importaciones de la RPDC desde Colombia (Exportaciones).

No se puede contestar esta pregunta, por cuanto la operación de exportación tiene como destino real una empresa ubicada en la República de Corea.

#### CONTROL ADUANERO

#### 1. Rechazo o incautación.

En relación con cualquier caso de rechazo del despacho de aduana o incautación de mercancías que involucren a la RPDC como país de destino/consignación/origen, fabricación o tránsito, se adjunta un cuadro con la información suministrada por la DIAN correspondiente a "los registros de las aprehensiones realizadas cuyo posible país de procedencia es la RPDC, para los años 2022 y 2023 con corte al 18 de junio de 2023, los reportes incluyen (en orden de aparición), las siguientes columnas: País de procedencia, Clasificación Arancelaria, Descripción de la mercancía aprehendida, Unidad de medida, Cantidad de mercancía aprehendida, Número de aprehensiones y valor de las aprehensiones realizadas".

 Información que pudiera considerarse pertinente para el trabajo según lo dispuesto por el Consejo de Seguridad a este respecto.

Con miras a una implementación que permita cumplir estrictamente con las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas, para Colombia, especialmente para la DIAN, sería valioso conocer las mejores prácticas internacionales que se aplican en los diferentes países encaminadas al cumplimiento de lo dispuesto en las resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de las Naciones Unidas relativas a la RPDC y su articulación con las normas de facilitación de comercio, dada la dificultad para detectar que una mercancía tiene como origen la RPDC. Por ejemplo, cuando ha sido comprada en un país diferente y adicionalmente es embarcada en otro (procedencia) que no corresponde ni al de compra ni al de origen.

#### **Colombia** (Translated from Spanish)

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia

Office of the Director of Multilateral Political Affairs

Office of the Deputy Minister of Multilateral Affairs

# Reply to the request of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1874 (2009)

12 July 2023

#### Request sent to Colombia through communication S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.112 of 15 June 2023

The following information is based on the reply of the Directorate of National Taxes and Customs of Colombia.

#### **Exports from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to Colombia (imports)**

1. Confirmation as to whether the following data are accurate. If they are inaccurate, please submit digital copies of original documents or an explanation of the cause of the inaccuracy:

Table 1. Machinery (HS code 84)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
October 2022	1,000
November 2022	2,000
January 2023	1,000

Regarding the transactions in table 1, the customs computer system was consulted and the following information was found:

a. October 2022: import declaration No. 032022001424645-0, with a customs value of \$808.77. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (transmission separator discs), the United States of America is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. This means that the exporter or overseas supplier is located in the United States.

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b. November 2022: import declarations No. 412022000017644-8, No. 412022000017649-4, No. 412022000017650-2 and No. 412022000017659-8, with free-on-board values of \$95.90, \$29.00, \$47.54 and \$6.46, respectively.

Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (cylinder heads, vehicle oil filters, air filters, gas filters and clutches), Panama is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. In all cases, the exporter or overseas supplier is located in Panama.

Declaration No. 032022001650505-6 was also found, with a free-on-board value of \$1,681.73. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (Hyundai machine control units), the United States is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. The exporter or overseas supplier is located in the United States. The importer is an authorized economic operator.

Those import declarations have a total free-on-board value of \$1,860.63.

c. January 2023: import declaration No. 032023000086977-7, with a customs value of \$758.89. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (random access memory (RAM)/replacement computerized tomography system), the United States is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance.

Table 2. Textiles (HS code 61)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
November 2022	4,000
December 2022	1,000

Regarding the transactions in table 2, the customs computer system was consulted and the following information was found:

a. November 2022: import declarations No. 902022000180606-2 and No. 902022000200831-0, with free-on-board values of \$30.42 and \$4,050.48. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (Ralph Lauren Polo brand socks), Panama is the country

of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. In both cases, the exporter or overseas supplier is located in Panama.

Those import declarations have a total free-on-board value of \$4,080.90.

b. December 2022: import declarations No. 902022000205266-1, No. 902022000211452-1 and No. 902022000211454-4, with free-on-board values of \$520.20, \$658,20 and \$162.84. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (Ralph Lauren Polo brand socks), Panama is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. In all cases, the exporter or overseas supplier is located in Panama.

Those import declarations have a total free-on-board value of \$1,341.24.

Although transactions were found that correspond to the approximate values indicated in the International Trade Centre Trade Map in tables 1 and 2, the Security Council resolutions contain only the Harmonized System chapter or a general reference to the goods. As a result, from the description that appears in the import declarations, it cannot be inferred that they will be used in nuclear weapons or missiles.

Harmonized System chapters 61 and 84 comprise a wide range of items. Consequently, not all the goods in those chapters could be subject to the prohibitions in the Security Council resolutions.

Furthermore, although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was the country of origin of the goods, in no case was it the country of export, the country of purchase or the country of provenance.

It is also possible that a typographical error was made when the code for the country of origin was entered in field 66 of the import declarations and that the country of origin is in fact the Republic of Korea (190) rather than the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (187). The information found will be forwarded for appropriate action during the post-clearance inspection.

2. Whether the cargoes from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to Colombia containing the relevant items were inspected pursuant to paragraph 18 of resolution 2270 (2016), and if so, the reason why they were not seized and disposed of pursuant to paragraph 20 of resolution 2397 (2017)

The entry of goods into the country is subject to three stages of customs inspection: (i) pre-clearance; (ii) in-clearance; and (iii) post-clearance.

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Pre-clearance inspections are conducted when goods (cargo) arrive at airports, ports or border crossings, at which point international shippers inform the Directorate of National Taxes and Customs, through the electronic information services, of the data related to the shipping documents, including the country of shipment, since they do not know the country of origin or brokerage of the goods. Although the Directorate's system contains the information provided by the shippers, the Directorate cannot detect whether goods originate from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

In-clearance inspections are carried out when users submit import declarations and request the release of goods through the Directorate's computer systems after completion of pre-clearance inspections.

In that regard, in line with the World Trade Organization Agreement on Trade Facilitation, the Directorate has a system of risk selectivity and profiling in which declarations can be selected for physical inspection, documentary inspection or automatic release. In the case of automatic release, no inspection is made.

Under the same facilitation rules, there are importers that, having fulfilled a series of requirements, are recognized by the Directorate and other monitoring bodies as authorized economic operators, whose foreign trade transactions pose no risk. Those importers enjoy benefits, such as the automatic release of goods, though they can still be subject to inspections.

Lastly, post-clearance inspections are carried out pursuant to the customs authority's powers of oversight over goods that have been released and can therefore be seized or subject to penalties in accordance with the customs rules in force.

As stated above, the Security Council resolutions contain only the Harmonized System chapter or a general reference to the goods, and it cannot be inferred from the descriptions set out in the import declarations that the goods will be used in nuclear weapons or missiles, or in chemical or biological weapons. In view of the foregoing, the goods were not seized or disposed of.

In addition, under Colombian law, a procedure consistent with due process needs to be initiated in order to determine the legal status of the goods.

 Any other relevant information and/or action taken by the Colombian authorities with respect to exports from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to Colombia (imports)

In the above-mentioned transactions, the United States and Panama are the countries of export, purchase and provenance. Although the goods were manufactured in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, therefore, the transactions were not carried out with that country

With regard to the action taken, one of the principles underlying Decree No. 1165 of 2019, regulating the customs regime of Colombia, is precisely the security and facilitation of the logistical chain for foreign trade operations. In other words, inspections shall be conducted pursuant to a risk-management system that will prevent smuggling and asset laundering, strengthen border security, mitigate environmental risk and prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

In that regard, the Security Council resolutions are disseminated to the Directorate's local offices to ensure that they are observed and complied with, without prejudice to international instruments that must be applied to facilitate foreign trade operations, such as the World Trade Organization Agreement on Trade Facilitation.

The Directorate has also sent its local offices communications containing guidelines on cargo inspections and has issued requests for selective customs checks.

Lastly, the Directorate is currently upgrading its technology. This includes strengthening the risk management system, which will no doubt result in more effective inspections.

#### Imports to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea from Colombia (exports)

Table 3. Iron and steel (HS 72)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
December 2022	1,590,000

Confirmation as to whether the data are accurate. If they are inaccurate, please submit digital copies of
original documents or an explanation of the cause of the inaccuracy.

During the review of the statistical databases for exports from December 2022 (<a href="https://www.dian.gov.co/dian/cifras/Paginas/Bases-Estadisticas-de-Comercio-Exterior-Importaciones-y-Exportaciones.aspx">https://www.dian.gov.co/dian/cifras/Paginas/Bases-Estadisticas-de-Comercio-Exterior-Importaciones-y-Exportaciones.aspx</a>), an export from Colombia was found, consisting of goods under tariff heading 7202600000 (ferronickel) with a free-on-board value of \$1,589,688.33. The field for the country of destination contains the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (code 187).

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Upon verification of the registered name and address of the receiver, however, it was observed that the goods were addressed to the company Posco at 6261 Donghaean-ro, Nam-gu, Pohang-si, Gyeongsangbuk-do, Republic of Korea. That location is confirmed by the information available at <a href="https://www.posco.co.kr/homepage/docs/eng6/jsp/company/posco/s91a1000012c.js">https://www.posco.co.kr/homepage/docs/eng6/jsp/company/posco/s91a1000012c.js</a> and <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/POSCO">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/POSCO</a>.

An error would therefore seem to have been made when the field of the export declaration containing the country of destination was completed. The matter will also be forwarded for appropriate action during the post-clearance inspection.

2. Whether the cargoes from Colombia to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea containing the relevant items were inspected pursuant to paragraph 18 of resolution 2270 (2016), and if so, the reason why they were not seized and disposed of pursuant to paragraph 20 of resolution 2397 (2017).

This question cannot be answered because the actual destination of the export operation was a company located in the Republic of Korea.

3. Any other relevant information and/or action taken by the Colombian authorities with respect to imports to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea from Colombia (exports).

This question cannot be answered because the actual destination of the export operation was a company located in the Republic of Korea.

#### **Customs control**

1. Rejection or seizure

Regarding any cases of rejection of customs clearance or seizure of goods involving the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as a country of destination/consignment/origin, manufacture or transit, a table is attached with information provided by the Directorate on records of seizures of goods whose country of origin could be the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, from 1 January 2022 to 18 June 2023, including (in order of appearance) the following columns: country of provenance, tariff

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>219</sup> Translator's note: the hyperlink provided in the original does not work. For the Posco webpage containing information about the location, see https://www.posco.co.kr/homepage/docs/eng7/jsp/common/posco/s91a1000010c.jsp.

classification, description of goods seized, unit of measure, quantity of goods seized, number of seizures and value of goods seized.

2. Information that could be considered relevant to the Panel's work as mandated by the Security Council in this regard

To ensure that implementation fully complies with the Security Council resolutions, it would be useful for Colombia, in particular the Directorate, to be aware of the best international practices applied in different countries to implement Security Council resolutions related to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the ways in which those resolutions relate to the rules on trade facilitation, given the difficulty of detecting that goods originate in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, for example, when goods have been purchased in a different country and are also shipped from another country (of provenance) that is neither the country of purchase nor that of origin.

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## Letter from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Seychelles and Seychelles' reply



#### THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF SEYCHELLES

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Note No: SMUN/173/2023

New York, 22 August 2023



I have the honor to write to you in your capacity as Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) and make reference to your letter dated 15 June 2023, Reference No.: S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.119, regarding the implementation of the measures imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) by Security Council resolutions 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2087 (2013), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016), 2321 (2016), 2356 (2017), 2371 (2017), 2375 (2017) and 2397 (2017), in particular incidents of non-compliance.

In endeavoring to assist the Panel in its investigation, I further have the honor to inform you that, after an extensive enquiry into the matter by the Seychelles Revenue Commission, it was found that the data published was, in fact, inaccurate. During the period in question between October 2022 and March 2023, there were three (3) imports originating from the **Republic of Korea (ROK)**:

#### a. BOE C27979 dated 23/11/2022 - Airport Cargo (SCAC)

#### **Exporter:**

D-I Industrial CO. Ltd

13, Namgang-RO 1367BEON-GIL, JINJU-SI, Gyeonganam-Do, Korea, 52781

Tel: +82 55 760 5520

Fax: +82 55 755 5529

The country code of the ROK is (+82). The product is made in ROK.

Port of loading: Incheon Airport, Republic of Korea

### b. BOE C21539 dated 13/12/2022 - Seaport (SCPO)

### **Exporter:**

SAMSUNG Electronic Co. Ltd

129, Samsung-RO, Yeongtong-Gu, Suwon 16677 Gyeonggi-Do, Republic of Korea

### c. BOE 1674 dated 25/01/2023 - Seaport (SCPO)

#### Seller:

Dong Ah Fishing Industries Co., Ltd.

1100-9 Janglim-Dong, SAHA-GU,

Busan, Republic of Korea

Country of Origin: Republic of Korea (ROK) - South Korea

Country of Export: Busan, Korea

In all three cases, the Bills of Entry (BOE) presented for the clearance of those goods identified the country of export and the country of origin in boxes 15 and 16 respectively, as being the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. These were erroneous entries on the part of the declarants, as can be seen from the attached copies of the original documents.

The Seychelles Revenue Commission (SRC) could not find an entry within its system dated October 2022 under HS Code 72 that is highlighted in your letter.

In concluding, I wish to convey that the review conducted by the SRC found that there is a gap in Seychelles' national legislative framework to domesticate UNSC sanction measures and that the country is embarking on a wider consultative process to address this gap.

The Seychelles Permanent Mission to the United Nations, remains at your disposal for any further clarification on this matter.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

H.E. Mr. Ian Madeleine Ambassador Permanent Representative

Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts

established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1874 (2009)

**United Nations** 

### **New York**

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## Annex 36: Comparison Table on DPRK Trade Statistics and replies provided by Member States

\*\* Note: DPRK Trade Statistics and Member State's reply cover the six-month period of April 2023-September 2023/ Highlighted are restricted commodities.

## As of 1 January 2024 / \*Unit: Thousand US\$

	Member State	Trade Volui	ne w/ DPRK	Restricted HS Coo	de Trade w/ DPRK	Ma D
No.	(MS)	Export to	Import from	Export to	Import from	MS Reply
1	Armenia	0	117		29 (HS Code 12) 1 (HS Code 61) 6 (HS Code 84) 8 (HS Code 85)	Customs declarations system does not contain any information related to such import from DPRK.
2	Aruba (territory of the Netherlands)	0	7,965		258 (HS Code 84) 5 (HS Code 85)	
3	Austria	0	734			(Not Restricted)
4	Barbados	0	752		390 (HS Code 72) 4 (HS Code 73) 301 (HS Code 84) 55 (HS Code 85)	
5	Belgium, Kingdom of	34	9		7 (HS Code 84)	
6	Belize	0	30		30 (HS Code 84)	
7	Brazil, Federative Republic of	0	5		4 (HS Code 58)	
8	Canada	4	0	1 (HS Code 85)		Confirmed errors due to miscoded country variables in the customs data.
9	China, People's Republic of	992,366	142,764	16 (HS Code 72) 50 (HS Code 73) 48 (HS Code 82) 1 (HS Code 83) 812 (HS Code 84) 295 (HS Code 85) 3 (HS Code 87)	14265 (HS Code 72) 114 (HS Code 73) 3585(HS Code 50) 4 (HS Code 58)	Goods are items not prohibited by the relevant UNSC resolutions or for the use of international organizations in their project offices in the DPRK which did not violate UNSC resolutions.
10	Colombia	0	180		14 (HS Code 56) 3 (HS Code 61) 1 (HS Code 73) 136 (HS Code 84) 8 (HS Code 85)	Errors with country code as none of the cases were DPRK. Some items could not be subject to UNSC resolutions.

	Member State	Trade Volun	ne w/ DPRK	Restricted HS Co	ode Trade w/ DPRK	NO. D. A.
No.	(MS)	Export to	Import from	Export to	Import from	- MS Reply
11	Costa Rica	0	206		179 (HS Code 84)	
12	Cyprus	3	0			(Not Restricted)
13	Denmark, Kingdom of	112	0			(Not Restricted)
14	Ecuador	2	0			(Not Restricted)
15 16	Gambia	0	11			(Not Restricted)
17	Greece	181	17			(Not Restricted)
	Guyana	0	38		1 (HS Code 84) 36 (HS Code 85)	
18	Hungary	1	0	1 (HS Code 84)		
19	India	73	314	9 (HS Code 85) 2 (HS Code 87)	7 (HS Code 56) 191 (HS Code 72) 21 (HS Code 73) 58 (HS Code 74) 8 (HS Code 84) 16 (HS Code 85)	
20	Indonesia, Republic of	138	90	138 (HS Code 84)	7 (HS Code 62) 6 (HS Code 74) 6 (HS Code 84)	
21	Italy	0	30			(Not Restricted)
22	Madagascar, Republic of	0	21			(Not Restricted)
23	Mongolia	128	247			(Not Restricted)
24	Netherlands, Kingdom of the	159	35		1 (HS Code 73) 1 (HS Code 85)	
25	Poland, Republic of	198	4			(Not Restricted)
26	Romania	0	3			(Not Restricted)
27	Slovenia	0	2			(Not Restricted)
28	South Africa, Republic of	4	10		1 (HS Code 63)	
29	Spain, Kingdom of	0	24		1 (HS Code 84) 22 (HS Code 85)	
30	Thailand, Kingdom of	0	20		19 (HS Code 85)	
31	Ukraine	0	8		3 (HS Code 54)	Country of origin was mistakenly indicated as DPRK instead of ROK

Source: ITC Trade Map, accessed on 1 January 2024, annotated by the Panel.

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## Annex 37: Imported Trucks and Agricultural equipment in DPRK

The Panel investigated the open source information<sup>220</sup> about possible violation of restrictions imposed by Security Council resolutions relating to transfer to DPRK of all industrial machinery (HS codes 84 and 85) and transportation vehicles (HS codes 86 through 89, which appeared on a number of images taken in DPRK in 2023.

In April 2023 DPRK authorities presented vehicles, to "districts administering major streets of Pyongyang" (Figure 1). NK News identified them as Chinese-made vehicles: QY16K crane truck Duolika D6 large white and green street sweeper, MN-F2000 small single-seat street sweeper vehicles, Dragon 5 brown flatbed industrial trucks with mounted cranes.

Figure 1



Source: Rodong Shinmun.

On another occasion, authorities had presented the Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm<sup>221</sup> with vehicles and equipment, which, according to the same NK News analysts, included: Chinese-made industrial truck, flatbed trucks, container, walking tractors (figure. 2).

<sup>220</sup> http://rodong.rep.kp/en/index.php?MTJAMjAyMy0wNC0xNS1IMDA3QDE1QDFAQDBANQ==

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>221</sup> http://kcna.kp/en/article/q/f8cf900be172eb0560855b50433301e3.kcmsf

Figure. 2



Source: NK News.



Source: NK News, comparing images from KCTV (April 6, 2023) (right) and a Jiulin manufactured tractor (left)<sup>222</sup>

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 $<sup>^{222} \</sup> See \ https://www.nknews.org/pro/north-koreas-display-of-new-chinese-trucks-points-to-production-issues-at-home/; \ and \ 2023 http://kcna.kp/en/article/q/f8cf900be172eb0560855b50433301e3.kcmsf$ 

## China's reply to the Panel's enquiry (OC. 231, see Annex 40 for a compilated reply)

To the Panel's request concerning this case China replied: "By November 2017, the UN Security Council had not yet listed vehicles as prohibited goods for export to the DPRK. Records were found on exports of passenger cars and trucks to the DPRK during this period, and these were normal exports. Since the adoption of the UN Security Council Resolution 2397, all vehicles exported from China to the DPRK have been for the use of international organizations in their project offices in the DPRK, and they do not involve any violations of UN Security Council resolutions".

## Annex 38: List of HS Codes the Panel applies to monitor the sectoral ban

Below is the list of HS codes assigned for each category of goods under sectoral ban by relevant UN Security Council resolutions. This list supersedes S/2018/171, annex 4, as amended by S/2018/171/Corr.1. This list does not include items banned by previous resolutions such as arms embargo, dual-use items and luxury goods. See <a href="https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1718/prohibited-items">https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1718/prohibited-items</a> for the complete list of prohibited goods.

a. Items prohibited from being exported to the DPRK

Item	HS Codes	Description	Resolutions
Condensates and natural gas liquids Oils; petr minerals		Oils; petroleum oils and oils obtained from bituminous minerals	Para. 13 of 2375 (2017)
	2711	Petroleum gases and other gaseous hydrocarbons	
Industrial machinery	84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	Para. 7 of 2397 (2017)
	85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers; television image and sound recorders and reproducers, parts and accessories of such articles	
Transportation vehicles <sup>223</sup>	86	Railway, tramway locomotives, rolling-stock and parts thereof; railway or tramway track fixtures and fittings and parts thereof; mechanical (including electromechanical) traffic signaling equipment of all kinds	Para. 7 of 2397 (2017)
	87	Vehicles; other than railway or tramway rolling stock, and parts and accessories thereof	
	88	Aircraft, spacecraft and parts thereof <sup>224</sup>	
	89	Ships, boats and floating structures	
Iron, steel and other	72-83		Para. 7 of
metals	72	Iron and steel	2397 (2017)
	73	Articles of iron or steel	
	74	Copper and articles thereof	
	75	Nickel and articles thereof	
	76	Aluminum and articles thereof	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>223</sup> Pursuant to paragraph 30 of resolution 2321 (2016) and paragraph 14 of resolution 2397 (2017), States shall prevent the direct or indirect supply, sale or transfer to the DPRK, through their territories or by their nationals, or using their flag vessels or aircraft, and whether or not originating in their territories, of new helicopters, new and used vessels, except as approved in advance by the Committee on a case-by-case basis.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>224</sup> Shall not apply with respect to the provision of spare parts needed to maintain the safe operation of DPRK commercial civilian passenger aircraft (currently consisting of the following aircraft models and types: An-24R/RV, An-148-100B, II-18D, II-62M, Tu-134B-3, Tu-154B, Tu-204-100B, and Tu-204-300).

78	Lead and articles thereof
79	Zinc and articles thereof
80	Tin and articles thereof
81	Other base metals; cermets; articles thereof
82	Tools, implements, cutlery, spoons and forks, of base metal; parts thereof of base metal
83	Miscellaneous articles of base metal

## b. Items prohibited from being imported from the DPRK

Item	HS Codes	Description	Resolutions
Coal	2701	Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similar solid fuels manufactured from coal	Para. 8 of 2371 (2017)
Iron Ore	2601	Iron ores and concentrates, including roasted iron pyrites	
Iron	72	Iron and steel (7201-7229)	
Iron and Steel products	73	Articles of Iron and steel (7301-7326)	
Gold	261690	Gold ores and concentrates	Para. 30 of
	7108	Gold (incl. put plated), unwrought, semi-manufactured forms or powder	2270 (2016)
	710811	Gold powder, unwrought	
	710812	Gold in other unwrought forms	
	710813	Gold in other semi-manufactured forms	
	710820	Monetary gold	
Titanium	2614	Titanium ores and concentrates	
Vanadium	2615	Vanadium ores and concentrates	
Rare Earth Minerals			
	2617	Ores and concentrates, [Nesoi code <b>261790</b> - Other Ores and Concentrates]	
	2805	Alkali metals etc., rare-earth metals etc., mercury	
	2844	Radioactive chemical elements and isotopes etc.	
Copper	74	Copper and articles thereof (7401-7419)	Para. 28 of
	2603	Copper ores and concentrates	2321 (2016)
Zinc	79	Zinc and articles thereof (7901-7907)	
	2608	Zinc ores and concentrates	
Nickel	75	Nickel and articles thereof (7501-7508)	

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	2604	Nickel ores and concentrates	
Silver	2616100	Silver ores and concentrates	
	7106, 7107	Silver unwrought or semi manufactured forms, or in powdered forms; base metals clad with silver, not further worked than semi-manufactured	
	7114	Articles of goldsmiths or silversmiths' wares or parts thereof, of silver, whether or not plated or clad with other precious metal	
Seafood (including fish,	3	Fish and crustaceans, mollusks and other aquatic invertebrates (0301-0308)	Para. 9 of 2371 (2017)
crustaceans, mollusks, and other aquatic	1603	Extracts and juices of meat, fish or crustaceans, mollusks or other aquatic invertebrates)	
invertebrates in all forms)	1604	Prepared or preserved fish; caviar and caviar substitutes prepared from fish eggs	
	1605	Crustaceans, mollusks and other aquatic invertebrates, prepared or preserved	
Lead	78	Lead and articles thereof (7801-7806)	Para. 10 of 2371 (2017)
Lead ore	2607	Lead ores and concentrates	
Textiles	50-63		Para. 16 of
(including but not	50	Silk, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof	2375 (2017)
limited to fabrics and partially or fully	51	Wool, fine or coarse animal hair, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof; horsehair yarn and woven fabric	
completed	52	Cotton, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof	
apparel products)	53	Vegetable textile fibres nesoi; yarns and woven fabrics of vegetable textile fibres nesoi and paper	
	54	Manmade filaments, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof	
	55	Manmade staple fibres, including yarns and woven fabrics thereof	
	56	Wadding, felt and nonwovens; special yarns; twine, cordage, ropes and cables and articles thereof	
	57	Carpets and other textile floor covering	

	58	Fabrics; special woven fabrics, tufted textile fabrics, lace, tapestries, trimmings, embroidery	
	59	Textile fabrics; impregnated, coated, covered or laminated; textile articles of a kind suitable for industrial use;	
-	60	Knitted or crocheted fabrics	
-	61	Apparel and clothing accessories; knitted or crocheted;	
	62	Apparel and clothing accessories; <i>not</i> knitted or crocheted;	
	63	Textiles, made up articles; sets; worn clothing and worn textile articles; rags	
Agricultural products	07	Vegetables and certain roots and tubers; edible	Para. 6 of resolution
products	08	Fruit and nuts, edible; peel of citrus fruit or melons	2397 (2017)
	12	Oil seeds and oleaginous fruits; miscellaneous grains, seeds and fruit, industrial or medicinal plants; straw and fodder	
Machinery	84	Nuclear reactors, boilers, machinery and mechanical appliances; parts thereof	Para. 6 of resolution
Electrical equipment	85	Electrical machinery and equipment and parts thereof; sound recorders and reproducers; television image and sound recorders and reproducers, parts and accessories of such articles	2397 (2017)
Earth and stone including magnesite and magnesia	25	Salt; sulphur; earths, stone; plastering materials, lime and cement	
Wood	44	Wood and articles of wood; wood charcoal	
Vessels	89	Ships, boats and floating structures	

- c. For paragraphs 4 and 5 of resolution 2397 (2017), the Panel uses the following HS codes. The Panel notes that annual caps are placed for the two items below.
- HS 2709: crude oil [cap: 4 million barrels or 525,000 tons]
- HS 2710, HS 2712 and HS 2713: refined petroleum products [ cap: 500,000 barrels ]

Source: The Panel.

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# Annex 39: Replies from Member States to the Panel's enquiries Letter from the Permanent Mission of Armenia and Armenia's reply



### PERMANENT MISSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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### UN/3101/002/2024

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009), and, with reference to the letter S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.472 dated 8 December 2023, has the honour to inform that, according to the response provided by the State Revenue Committee of the Republic of Armenia, customs declarations in Armenia are submitted to the Customs authorities of the Republic of Armenia in an electronic form. The customs declarations are subsequently registered in the system "National Single Window for Foreign Trade of the Republic of Armenia". The system does not contain any information related to the import from DPRK of items under HS Code 12, HS Code 61, HS Code 84 and HS Code 85 for the period between April 2023 and September 2023.

In case that additional data is provided regarding the transfer of above mentioned items to the Republic of Armenia, the State Revenue Committee of Armenia will conduct further investigation. The Permanent Mission of Armenia stands ready to provide any additional clarification, as needed.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Armenia to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 5 January 2024



The Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) New York

## Letter from the Permanent Mission of Canada and Canada's reply



January 17, 2024

Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) United Nations Headquarters New York, NY 10017

Dear

Thank you for your letter of December 8, 2023, reference S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.478, with regard to ongoing efforts of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) to gather, examine and analyse information regarding the implementation of the measures imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) by the referenced Security Council resolutions, in particular incidents of noncompliance.

The Panel has written specifically "with regard to the DPRK's trade with Canada in items that are covered by the relevant sectoral sanctions provisions in resolutions 2270 (2016), 2321 (2016), 2371 (2017), 2375 (2017) and 2397 (2017)", based on the Panel's analysis of available trade data. Your letter also noted that the Panel seeks Canada's assistance in providing supplementary information concerning specific trade data reported by Canada that lists the DPRK as the partner country.

The Government of Canada has determined that the instances in which the DPRK is reported as the partner country are either confirmed errors or highly likely to be errors. The errors are most likely cases of miscoded country variables in the customs data.

Please note that we will be making changes within our national systems to replace miscoded references to the DPRK with the correct partner country in all these transactions. Moving forward, we will work to modify our processes to detect potential reporting errors, to reduce occurrences of trade being incorrectly attributed to the DPRK in published data.

With respect to the Panel's request for information regarding any cases of rejection of customs clearance or seizure of goods involving the DPRK as a country of destination / consignment / origin / manufacture or transit, the Government of Canada affirms that there have been no import seizures of goods from the DPRK as the country of purchase / origin.



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Please be assured that the Government of Canada takes our obligations as a UN Member State with the utmost seriousness. To that end, Canada continues to stand ready to support the important work of the Panel. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further clarifications.

Sincerely yours,

d'Affaires a.i.

Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative

## China's reply (see also annex 40, OC.359)

From April to September 2023, China did not import iron alloys, iron and steel products, textiles, or other goods from the DPRK prohibited by relevant UN resolutions. The goods imported from the DPRK under HS code 50 were mulberry silk and waste silk. Mulberry silk and waste silk are raw materials and do not fall under the category of textiles prohibited from export by the UN resolutions, as China has repeatedly stated to the Panel. During this period, all metal products, industrial machinery, electronic equipment, and vehicles exported from China to the DPRK were purely for the use of international organizations in their project offices in the DPRK, and did not involve any violations of UN sanctions resolutions. We urge the Panel to demonstrate its professionalism, accurately determine the scope of the resolutions and not to include any information unrelated to the resolutions in its final report.

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## Letter from the Permanent Mission of Colombia and Colombia's reply



### Permanent Mission of Colombia to the United Nations

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New York, January 3rd, 2024

Ms. Acting Coordinator,

I have the honour to write to you regarding your note S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.479 dated December 8, 2023, in which you request information with regard to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea's (DPRK) trade with Colombia in items that are covered by the relevant sectoral sanctions according to resolutions 2270 (2016), 2321 (2016), 2371 (2017), 2375 (2017) and 2397 (2017).

In that regard, please find attached the official response by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Colombia - Direction for Multilateral Political Affairs - to your request (1 PDF file); a copy of all the relevant import declarations (16 PDF files); and the report on the seizure of goods from the DPRK (1 excel file).

Please accept, Ms. Acting Coordinator, the assurance of my highest and most distinguished consideration.

Ambassador, Permanent Representative

To

Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009)

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DIRECCIÓN DE ASUNTOS POLÍTICOS MULTILATERALES Viceministerio de Asuntos Multilaterales

# Respuesta requerimiento del Panel de Expertos establecido en virtud de la Resolución 1874 (2009) del Consejo de Seguridad de las Naciones Unidas

Enero 2 de 2024

Requerimiento realizado a Colombia mediante comunicación S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.479 del 8 de diciembre de 2023.

La siguiente respuesta se remite, en virtud a la información suministrada por la Dirección de Impuestos y Aduanas Nacionales (DIAN).

EXPORTACIONES DE LA REPÚBLICA POPULAR DEMOCRÁTICA DE COREA (RPDC) A COLOMBIA (IMPORTACIONES)

 Confirmar si los datos enumerados son exactos. De ser inexactos, presentar copias digitales de los documentos originales o una explicación sobre la causa de la inexactitud:

### Tabla 1. Textiles (Código SA 56)

Fecha	Valor aproximado (USD)	
Mayo 2023	14.000	

Respecto a las operaciones mencionadas en la tabla 1, se informa que revisado el sistema informático aduanero se encontró lo siguiente:

a. Mayo de 2023: Declaraciones de importación números 482023000257885-1 y 482023000274837-8 con valor en aduana de USD 7.161,27 y USD 7.158.79 respectivamente, se debe tener en cuenta que si bien en estas declaraciones de importación Corea del Norte aparece como país de origen de la mercancía (rollo revelador DR44K), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Estados Unidos. En los dos casos, el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Estados Unidos.

Las declaraciones de importación antes mencionadas tienen un valor en aduana total de USD 14.320,06.

### Tabla 2. Textiles (Código SA 61)

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Fecha	Valor aproximado (USD)
Mayo 2023	3.000

Respecto a las operaciones mencionadas en la tabla 2, se informa que revisado el sistema informático aduanero se encontró lo siguiente:

a. Mayo de 2023: Declaraciones de importación números *902023000080813-2* y *902023000080814-1* con valor en aduana de USD 1.872,29 y USD 678,43

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respectivamente, en las cuales, si bien aparece Corea del Norte como país de origen de la mercancía (Medias marca polo Ralph Lauren), se observa que <u>tanto el país</u> exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a <u>Panamá.</u> En ambos casos el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Panamá.

Las declaraciones de importación antes mencionadas tienen un valor en aduana total de USD 2.550,72.

Tabla 3. Productos de Hierro y Acero (Código SA 73)

Fecha	Valor aproximado (USD)
Mayo 2023	1.000

Respecto a las operaciones mencionadas en la tabla 3, se informa que revisado el sistema informático aduanero se encontró lo siguiente:

a. Mayo de 2023: Declaración de importación número 192023000031757-7 con valor en aduana de USD 538,88, en la cual, si bien aparece Corea del Norte como país de origen de la mercancía (Cap screw – Tornillo marca Komatsu), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Estados Unidos. El exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Estados Unidos. El importador tiene calidad Operador Económico Autorizado – OEA.

Tabla 4. Maquinaria (Código SA 84)

Fecha	Valor aproximado (USD)
Abril de 2023	10.000
Mayo de 2023	16.000
Junio de 2023	110.000

Respecto a las operaciones mencionadas en la tabla 4, se informa que revisado el sistema informático aduanero se encontró lo siguiente:

a. Abril de 2023: Declaración de importación número 902023000051992-9 con valor en aduana de USD 4.559,27. Cabe anotar que si bien en la casilla del País exportador aparece Corea del Norte, tras verificar la razón social y domicilio del exportador, se identificó que la mercancía (Botonera de control para polipasto de 2 pulsadores, marca Swiko) proviene de la empresa "Gtol Corporation" con dirección "W503, SK-VI Center, II, Dangsan-Ro 41-Gil, Yeongdeungpo, Seoul, Korea, 150-806" ubicada en Corea del Sur, según información disponible en http://gtoic.com/home\_02.asp. Conforme a ello, presumiblemente se trata de un error en el diligenciamiento de la declaración de importación en la casilla (No. 48) del código País Exportador en la declaración de importación, es decir que en realidad el país exportador es Corea del Sur (190) y no Corea del Norte (187), por lo cual la información encontrada será remitida para las acciones que correspondan en el control posterior.

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Adicional, se encontró la declaración de importación número 032023000569470-9 con valor en aduana de USD 4.991,43 en la cual, si bien aparece Corea del Norte como país de origen de la mercancía (TrialSlate Bluebird STI02 W4LAL, marca Bluebird – 6 Unds), se observa que tanto el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Reino Unido. El exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Reino Unido. El importador tiene calidad Operador Económico Autorizado – OEA.

Las declaraciones de importación mencionadas anteriormente tienen un valor en aduana total de USD 9550,70.

b. Mayo de 2023: Declaraciones de importación números 872023000056017-3 y 482023000281797-0 con valor en aduana de USD 952,36 y USD 14.937,98 respectivamente, en las cuales, si bien aparece Corea del Norte como país de origen de la mercancía (Disco duro SSD, Liner de motor), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Estados Unidos. En ambos casos el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Estados Unidos.

Las declaraciones de importación antes mencionadas tienen un valor en aduana total de USD 15.890,34.

c. Junio de 2023: Declaración de importación número 482023000322528-3 con valor en aduana de USD \$70.182,93 en la cual, si bien aparece Corea del Norte como país de origen de la mercancía (mercancía nueva de uso exclusivo en la industria petrolera), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Estados Unidos. El exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Estados Unidos. El importador tiene calidad Operador Económico Autorizado-OEA.

Así mismo se encontró la declaración de importación número 482023000343695 con valor en aduana de USD 26.789,42 en la cual, si bien aparece Corea del Norte como país de origen de la mercancía (excavadora), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra es China. El exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en China.

Adicional, se encontraron las declaraciones de importación números 032023000844845-6, 032023000836628-0 y 032023000836528-2 con valor en aduana de USD 9.309,83, USD 2.262,03 y USD 1.560,97 respectivamente, se debe tener en cuenta que si bien en estas declaraciones de importación Corea del Norte aparece como país de origen de la mercancía (bomba de aceite, bomba de combustible, tubo de plástico del motor – camión), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Brasil. El exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Brasil. El importador tiene calidad Operador Económico Autorizado-OEA.

Las declaraciones de importación mencionadas anteriormente tienen un valor en aduana total de USD 110.105,18.

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Tabla 5. Equipo eléctrico (Código SA 84)

Fecha	Valor aproximado (USD)
Abril de 2023	8.000

Respecto a las operaciones mencionadas en la tabla 5, se informa que revisado el sistema informático aduanero se encontró lo siguiente:

a. Abril de 2023: Declaración de importación número 902023000051993-6 con valor en aduana de USD 2.128,64. Se resalta que, si bien en la casilla del País Exportador aparece Corea del Norte, tras verificar la razón social y domicilio del exportador, se identifica que la mercancía (Control remoto a distancia, marca KG Auto) proviene de la empresa "Gtol Corporation" con dirección "W503, SK-V1 Center, 11, Dangsan-Ro 41-Gil, Yeongdeungpo, Seoul, Korea, 150-806" ubicada en Corea del Sur, según información disponible en http://gtoic.com/home\_02.asp. Conforme a ello, al parecer se trata de un error en el diligenciamiento de la declaración de importación en la casilla (No. 48) del código País Exportador en la declaración de importación, es decir que en realidad el país exportador es Corea del Sur (190) y no Corea del Norte (187), por lo cual la información encontrada se remitirá para las acciones que correspondan en el control posterior.

Así mismo, se encontró la declaración de importación número 032023000569444-7 con valor en aduana de USD 6.321,60 en las cual, si bien aparece Corea del Norte como país de origen de la mercancía (Ediary Samsung A217M US. Android 10, Dual Sim), se observa que tanto el país exportador, como el país de compra y el país de procedencia corresponde a Reino Unido. En ambos casos el exportador o proveedor en el exterior está ubicado en Reino Unido. El importador tiene calidad Operador Económico Autorizado-OEA. Las declaraciones de importación anteriormente mencionadas tienen un valor en aduana total de USD 8.450,24.

Así las cosas y aunque se encontraron operaciones que corresponden con los valores aproximados señalados por el International Trade Centre (ICT) Trade Map en las tablas 1, 2, 3, 4 y 5, es importante anotar que las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas solo indican el capítulo del Sistema Armonizado o hacen una mención general de la mercancía, y de la descripción que aparece en las declaraciones de importación no se podría inferir que las mismas serán utilizadas en el desarrollo de armamento nuclear o misiles.

Los capítulos 56, 61, 73, 84 y 85 del SA comprenden una amplia gama de artículos/productos, en consecuencia, no todos los bienes de dichos capítulos podrían estar incluidos dentro de las prohibiciones de las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas.

De otra parte, es de resaltar que, aunque las mercancías tenían como país de origen a la RPDC, en ninguno de los casos correspondió al país exportador, de compra o de procedencia. Igualmente, existe la posibilidad de que se hayan cometido errores en la digitación de la casilla No. 48 de la Declaración de Importación en relación con el código de origen, es decir que algunas importaciones realizadas desde la República de Corea hayan sido erróneamente registradas como provenientes de la RPDC.

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2. Si los cargamentos de la RPDC a Colombia que contenían los artículos pertinentes fueron inspeccionados de conformidad con el párrafo 18 de la resolución 2270 (2016), y de ser así, el motivo por el cual no fueron incautados y dispuestos de conformidad con el párrafo 20 de la resolución 2397 (2017).

Al respecto, es importante anotar que el ingreso al país de estas, al igual que de todas las mercancías, está condicionado por tres etapas de control aduanero, a saber: previo, simultáneo y posterior.

El control previo se surte en el momento en que la mercancía (carga) llega a los aeropuertos, puertos o cruces de frontera, etapa en la cual los transportadores internacionales informan a la DIAN (a través de los Sistemas Informáticos Electrónicos) los datos relacionados en los documentos de transporte, entre ellos, el país de embarque, pues no conocen el país de origen o de negociación de la mercancía. Ahora bien, el sistema de la DIAN contiene la información entregada por los transportadores, pero la Entidad no puede detectar si una mercancía tiene como origen la RPDC.

El control simultáneo tiene lugar cuando surtida la etapa del control previo, los usuarios presentan las declaraciones de importación y solicitan el levante de las mercancías a través de los sistemas informáticos de la DIAN; sobre esto, es de tener en cuenta que acatando el Convenio de Facilitación al Comercio (AFC) de la Organización Mundial de Comercio (OMC), la Entidad cuenta con un sistema de selectividad y perfilamiento de riesgo, y en tal sentido las declaraciones pueden ser seleccionadas para inspección física, inspección documental u obtener levante automático, en este último caso no se hace inspección alguna.

También, en virtud de las mismas normas de facilitación, hay importadores que después de haber cumplido una serie de requisitos son reconocidos por la DIAN y otras Entidades de control como Operadores Económicos Autorizados (OEA), cuyas operaciones de comercio exterior no representan riesgo, por lo que tienen beneficios, entre ellos, la obtención del levante automático de las mercancías, sin que ello impida que puedan ser sometidas a acciones de control. Ahora, el control posterior corresponde a las facultades de fiscalización que ejerce la autoridad aduanera sobre mercancías que han obtenido levante, en virtud del cual es posible incautarlas o aplicar sanciones conforme a la normatividad aduanera vigente.

Igualmente, como se ha indicado las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas solo refieren el capítulo del Sistema Armonizado o hacen una mención general de la mercancía, y de la descripción que aparece en las declaraciones de importación no se podría inferir que las mercancías serán utilizadas en el desarrollo de armamento nuclear o misiles, así como tampoco en armamento químico o biológico.

De acuerdo con lo anterior, las mercancías no fueron incautadas/eliminadas. Adicionalmente, conforme a la legislación interna se debe adelantar un proceso de definición de situación jurídica de las mercancías que respete el debido proceso, cuestión que no fue requerido para el caso de las mercancías que son objeto de consulta.

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 Cualquier otra información relevante y/o acción tomada por las autoridades colombianas con respecto a las exportaciones de la RPDC a Colombia (importaciones).

Es preciso destacar que las operaciones de comercio exterior que fueron objeto de revisión tienen a Estados Unidos, Panamá, Reino Unido, China y Brasil, como países de exportación, de compra o de procedencia, y en tal sentido se entiende que, aunque la mercancía haya sido fabricada en la RPDC la transacción comercial no se adelantó con este último país. Sin embargo, Colombia aplica una serie de medidas para mantener su sistema de regulación alineado con los propósitos de desarme y no proliferación de armas de destrucción masiva.

Con respecto a las medidas adoptadas, como se ha mencionado en otras ocasiones, vale decir que uno de los principios en que se fundamenta el Decreto 1165 de 2019, por el cual se dictan disposiciones relativas al Régimen de Aduanas es, precisamente, el de seguridad y facilitación en la cadena logística de las operaciones de comercio exterior; esto significa que el control se cumplirá bajo un sistema de gestión de riesgo que permita neutralizar el contrabando, el lavado de activos, fortalecer la seguridad en las fronteras, así como prevenir el riesgo ambiental y la proliferación de armas.

En esa línea, las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas son socializadas con las Direcciones Seccionales para su observancia, sin desconocer instrumentos internacionales que en materia de agilización de las operaciones de comercio exterior nos corresponde aplicar, tal como es el Acuerdo de Facilitación de Comercio de la Organización Mundial de Comercio.

Así mismo, Colombia, a través de su autoridad de aduanas ha expedido lineamientos a las Direcciones Seccionales de control aduanero relativos al reconocimiento de carga y se han realizado solicitudes de selectividad aduanera en los que se dan instrucciones para efectos de aplicación de controles. Finalmente, es importante mencionar que en la actualidad el país adelanta un proceso de modernización tecnológica de la DIAN que incluye el fortalecimiento del sistema de gestión de riesgos, lo que seguramente redundará en un control más efectivo.

### CONTROL ADUANERO.

### 1. Rechazo o incautación

En relación con cualquier caso de rechazo del despacho de aduana o incautación de mercancías que involucren a la RPDC como país de destino/consignación/origen, fabricación o tránsito, se adjunta cuadro con la información suministrada por la Subdirección de Fiscalización Aduanera correspondiente a "los registros de las aprehensiones realizadas cuyo posible país de procedencia es Corea del Norte, para el año 2023 a corte del 17 de diciembre, los reportes incluyen (en orden de aparición), las siguientes columnas: País de procedencia, Clasificación Arancelaria, Descripción de la mercancía aprehendida, Unidad de medida, Cantidad de mercancía aprehendida y valor de las aprehensiones realizadas"

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2. Información que pudiera considerarse pertinente para el trabajo según lo dispuesto por el Consejo de Seguridad a este respecto

Con miras a una implementación que permita cumplir estrictamente con las Resoluciones del Consejo de Seguridad de Naciones Unidas, sería muy valioso contar con una compilación detallada de las medidas restrictivas al comercio exterior con la RPDC, así como una descripción completa de las mercancías involucradas, toda vez que el solo capítulo del Arancel – Sistema Armonizado (SA) – o un nombre genérico, no es suficiente para identificarlas, lo que impide saber con exactitud cuáles son los productos sobre los que recae la prohibición y por consiguiente se dificulta el control.

Así mismo, es importante conocer las mejores prácticas internacionales que se aplican en los diferentes países encaminadas al cumplimiento de lo dispuesto en las citadas resoluciones y su articulación con las normas de facilitación de comercio, dado que es muy complicado detectar que una mercancía tiene como origen la RPDC, por ejemplo, cuando ha sido comprada en un país diferente y adicionalmente es embarcada en otro (procedencia) que no corresponde ni al de compra ni al de origen.

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## Reply to the request of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to United Nations Security Council resolution 1874 (2009)

2 January 2024

Request sent to Colombia through communication S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.479 of 8 December 2023.

The following reply is based on the information provided by the Directorate of National Taxes and Customs.

Exports from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to Colombia (imports)

1. Confirmation as to whether the listed data are accurate. If they are inaccurate, please submit the digital copies of original documents that can explain the cause of inaccuracy:

Table 1. Textiles (HS code 56)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
May 2023	14,000

Regarding the transactions in table 1, the customs computer system was consulted and the following information was found:

a. May 2023: import declarations No. 482023000257885-1 and No. 482023000274837-8, with customs values of \$7,161.27 and \$7,158.79, respectively. Although in these import declarations the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (DR44K developer roll), the United States of America is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. In both cases, the exporter or overseas supplier abroad is located in the United States.

Those import declarations have a total customs value of \$14,320.06.

Table 2. Textiles (HS code 61)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
May 2023	3,000

Regarding the transactions in table 2, the customs computer system was consulted and the following information was found:

a. May 2023: import declarations No. 902023000080813-2 and No. 902023000080814-1, with customs values of \$1,872.29 and \$678.43, respectively. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (Ralph Lauren Polo brand socks), Panama is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. In both cases the exporter or overseas supplier is located in Panama.

Those import declarations have a total customs value of \$2,550.72.

Table 3. Iron and steel products (HS code 73)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
May 2023	1,000

Regarding the transactions in table 3, the customs computer system was consulted and the following information was found:

a. May 2023: import declaration No. 192023000031757-7, with a customs value of \$538.88. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (cap screw, Komatsu brand), the United States is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. The exporter or overseas supplier is located in the United States. The importer is an authorized economic operator.

Table 4. Machinery (HS code 84)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
April 2023	10,000

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May 2023	16,000
June 2023	110,000

Regarding the transactions in table 4, the customs computer system was consulted and the following information was found:

a. April 2023: import declaration No. 902023000051992-9, with a customs value of \$4,559.27. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears in the country of export box, after checking the exporter's company name and address it was determined that the goods (two-button hoist control, Swiko brand) came from the company Gtol Corporation, whose address is W503, SK-V1 Centre, 11, Dangsan-Ro 41-Gil, Yeongdeungpo, Seoul, Korea, 150-806, located in the Republic of Korea, according to information available at http://gtoic.com/home\_02.asp. Therefore, an error was presumably made in the code of country of export (box 48) in the import declaration when it was completed; in fact, the country of export is the Republic of Korea (190) and not the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (187). The information found will be forwarded for appropriate action during the post-clearance inspection.

In addition, import declaration No. 032023000569470-9 was found, with a customs value of \$4,991.43. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (TrialSlate Bluebird ST102-W4LAL, Bluebird brand, six units), the United Kingdom is both the country of purchase and the country of provenance. The exporter or overseas supplier is located in the United Kingdom. The importer is an authorized economic operator.

Those import declarations have a total customs value of \$9,550.70.

b. May 2023: import declarations No. 872023000056017-3 and No. 482023000281797-0, with customs values of \$952.36 and \$14,937.98, respectively. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (SSD hard disk, motor liner), the United States is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. In both cases, the exporter or overseas supplier is located in the United States.

Those import declarations have a total customs value of \$15,890.34.

c. June 2023: import declaration No. 482023000322528-3, with a customs value of \$70,182.93. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (new goods for exclusive use in the oil industry), the United States is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. The exporter or overseas supplier is located in the United States. The importer is an authorized economic operator.

In addition, import declaration No. 482023000343695 was found, with a customs value of \$26,789.42. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (excavator), China is both the country of export and the country of purchase. The exporter or overseas supplier is located in China.

In addition, import declarations No. 032023000844845-6, No. 032023000836628-0 and No. 032023000836528-2 were found, with customs values of \$9,309.83, \$2,262.03 and \$1,560.97, respectively. Although in these import declarations the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (oil pump, fuel pump and plastic pipe for a truck engine), Brazil is the country of export, the country of purchase and country of provenance. The exporter or overseas supplier is located in Brazil. The importer is an authorized economic operator.

Those import declarations have a total customs value of \$110,105.18.

Table 5. Electrical equipment (HS code 84)

Date	Approximate value (United States dollars)
April 2023	8,000

Regarding the transactions in table 5, the customs computer system was consulted and the following information was found:

a. April 2023: import declaration No. 902023000051993-6, with a customs value of \$2,128.64. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears in the country of export box, after checking the exporter's company name and address it was determined that the goods (wireless remote control, KG Auto brand) came from the company Gtol Corporation, whose address is W503, SK-V1 Centre, 11, Dangsan-Ro 41-Gil, Yeongdeungpo, Seoul, Korea, 150-806, located in the Republic of Korea, according to information available at http://gtoic.com/home\_02.asp. Therefore, it seems that an error was made

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in the code of country of export (box 48) in the import declaration when it was completed; in fact, the country of export is the Republic of Korea (190) and not the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (187). The information found will be forwarded for appropriate action during the post-clearance inspection.

In addition, import declaration No. 032023000569444-7 was found, with a customs value of \$6,321.60. Although the Democratic People's Republic of Korea appears as the country of origin of the goods (Ediary Samsung A217M US Android 10, Dual SIM), the United Kingdom is the country of export, the country of purchase and the country of provenance. In both cases, the exporter or overseas supplier is located in the United Kingdom. The importer is an authorized economic operator. Those import declarations have a total customs value of \$8,450.24.

Although transactions were found that correspond to the approximate values indicated by the International Trade Centre Trade Map in tables 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, it should be noted that the United Nations Security Council resolutions give only the Harmonized System chapter or a general reference to the goods, and from the description that appears in the import declarations it could not be inferred that they will be used in the development of nuclear weapons or missiles.

Harmonized System chapters 56, 61, 73, 84 and 85 comprise a wide range of items/products. Consequently, not all the goods in those chapters could be subject to the prohibitions in the United Nations Security Council resolutions.

Furthermore, it should be noted that, although the country of origin of the goods was the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in none of the cases was it the country of export, the country of purchase or the country of provenance. Furthermore, errors might have been made when the origin code was entered in box 48 of the import declaration, meaning that some imports from the Republic of Korea could have been erroneously recorded as coming from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

2. Whether the cargoes from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to Colombia containing the relevant items were inspected pursuant to paragraph 18 of resolution 2270 (2016), and if so, the reason why they were not seized and disposed of pursuant to paragraph 20 of resolution 2397 (2017).

It should be noted that the entry into the country of these goods, and indeed all goods, is subject to three stages of customs inspections: pre-clearance, in-clearance and post-clearance.

Pre-clearance inspections are conducted when goods (cargo) arrive at airports, ports or border crossings, at which point international shippers inform the Directorate of National Taxes and Customs (through the electronic information services) of the data related to the shipping documents, including the country of shipment, since they do not know the country of origin or brokerage of the goods. Because the Directorate's system contains the information provided by the shippers, the Directorate cannot detect whether goods originate from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

In-clearance inspections take place when users submit import declarations and request the release of goods through the Directorate's computer systems after completion of pre-clearance inspections. In this regard, it should be noted that in line with the World Trade Organization Agreement on Trade Facilitation, the Directorate has a system of risk selectivity and profiling in which declarations can be selected for physical inspection, documentary inspection or automatic release, for which no inspection is made.

Likewise, under the same facilitation rules, there are importers who, after having fulfilled a series of requirements, have been recognized by the Directorate and other monitoring bodies as authorized economic operators, whose foreign trade transactions do not pose any risk and who therefore have benefits, such as obtaining the automatic release of goods, though they can still be subject to inspections. In addition, post-clearance inspections refer to the powers of inspection exercised by the customs authority over goods that have been released and that, therefore, can be seized or subject to penalties in accordance with the customs rules in force.

Also, as mentioned above, the Security Council resolutions give only the Harmonized System chapter or a general reference to the goods, and it cannot be inferred from the descriptions set out in the import declarations that the goods will be used in the development of nuclear weapons or missiles or chemical or biological weapons.

In view of the foregoing, the goods were not seized or disposed of. Moreover, under Colombian law, a procedure consistent with due process needs to be initiated in order to determine the legal status of the goods, which was not required in the case of the goods in question.

3. Any other relevant information and/or action taken by the Colombian authorities with respect to exports from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to Colombia.

It should be noted that the foreign trade operations that were subject to review have the United States, Panama, the United Kingdom, China and Brazil as countries of export, purchase or provenance, and in that

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regard it is understood that, although the goods were manufactured in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the commercial transaction was not carried out with that country. However, Colombia applies a series of measures to keep its regulations in line with the goals of disarmament and non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

In connection with the action taken, as has been mentioned previously, it should be noted that one of the principles underlying Decree No. 1165 of 2019, regulating the customs regime of Colombia, is precisely to ensure the security and facilitation of the logistical chain for foreign trade operations; in other words, inspections shall be conducted pursuant to a risk-management system that will prevent smuggling and asset laundering, strengthen border security, mitigate environmental risk and prevent the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

In that regard, the United Nations Security Council resolutions are disseminated to the local offices to ensure compliance, without prejudice to international instruments on the facilitation of foreign trade operations that Colombia is obliged to apply, such as the World Trade Organization Trade Facilitation Agreement.

Likewise, through its customs authority, Colombia has issued guidelines to local customs offices regarding cargo inspections, and requests for selective customs checks have been issued. Lastly, it is important to mention that the Directorate is currently upgrading its technology. This includes strengthening the risk management system, which will no doubt result in more effective inspections.

### **Customs inspections**

### 1. Rejection or seizure

Regarding any cases of rejection of customs clearance or seizure of goods involving the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as a country of destination/consignment/origin, manufacture or transit, a table is attached with information provided by the Subdirectorate of Customs Enforcement on records of seizures made whose country of origin could be the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, for the year 2023 as at 17 December, including (in order of appearance) the following columns: country of provenance, tariff classification, description of goods seized, unit of measure, quantity of goods seized and value of goods seized.

2. Information that could be considered relevant to the Panel's work as mandated by the Security Council in this regard

To ensure that implementation fully complies with the Security Council resolutions, it would be very useful to have a detailed list of the measures that restrict foreign trade with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and a full description of the goods concerned, because the Harmonized System chapter or a generic name alone do not provide adequate identification, making it difficult to know precisely which goods are prohibited and therefore difficult to control them.

Furthermore, it is important to be aware of international best practices that different countries apply to comply with the aforementioned resolutions and how they relate to trade facilitation rules, because identifying the Democratic People's Republic of Korea as the country of origin of the goods is very complicated, for example when goods have been purchased in a different country and are also shipped from another country (of provenance) that is neither the country of purchase nor that of origin.

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## Letter from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine and Ukraine's reply



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The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Panel of Experts established pursuant to United Nations Security Council resolution 1874 (2009) and with reference to the Panel's letter of 12 December 2023, Ref. S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.489, has the honour to submit a response attached herewith.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Panel of Experts established pursuant to United Nations Security Council resolution 1874 (2009) the assurances of its highest consideration.

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January 2024

Panel of Experts established pursuant to United Nations Security Council resolution 1874 (2009)

**New York** 

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### Information in response to the letter of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to UN Security Council resolution 1874 (2009), dated 12 December 2023, Ref. S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.489

According to the State Customs Service of Ukraine, on September 5, 2023, a customs declaration was submitted to the regional division of the State Customs Service of Ukraine for customs clearance of goods, including goods worth \$3106.19, which, according to the Ukrainian classification of foreign economic goods, fall under the category of synthetic fabrics.

At the same time, in the declaration, the country of origin was

mistakenly indicated as the DPRK instead of the Republic of Korea.

Based on the corresponding letter from the sender of the goods, corrections were made to the customs declaration, namely, the code of the country of origin of the goods was changed to the one corresponding to the correct country.

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## Annex 40: Letter from the Permanent Mission of China and China's replies



### 中华人民共和国常驻联合国代表团

PERMANENT MISSION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS

New York, 22 January 2024

Respected Acting Coordinator and Experts.

I am writing in response to your previous letters regarding the requests to investigate alleged violations of Security Council Resolutions on the DPRK.

China attaches great importance to and has always been fully and strictly implementing the Resolutions, and consistently and constructively supporting the work the Panel. In this regard, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted thorough investigations on the issues raised by the Panel, and responses on the investigations are enclosed herewith. There investigations are by no means easy to conduct, and a lot of efforts have been made by various competent Chinese authorities to verify the information provided by the Panel. China hopes these feedback could be reflected in the Panel's annual report in the faithful and comprehensive manner.

Panel of Experts Established Pursuant to Resolution 1874

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I would like to take this opportunity to emphasize that China has made great efforts in implementing the Resolutions on the DPRK and sustained great losses. I count on the Panel to base its work on facts and request the Panel to carry out its assessments and analysis in line with its mandate as specified in the related Resolutions, and refrain from including unverified information in its report.

I look forward to continuing working with you to contribute to the implementation of the Security Council Resolutions and the Political solution to the Peninsula issue.

Warm regards,

Zhang Jun

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Permanent Representative
of the People's Republic of China to the United Nations

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## China's feedback to the 1874 Panel of Experts

## 1. Alleged cases related to trade between the DPRK and China

### (1) OC.231

By November 2017, the UN Security Council had not yet listed vehicles as prohibited goods for export to the DPRK. Records were found on exports of passenger cars and trucks to the DPRK during this period, and these were normal exports. Since the adoption of the UN Security Council Resolution 2397, all vehicles exported from China to the DPRK have been for the use of international organizations in their project offices in the DPRK, and they do not involve any violations of UN Security Council resolutions.

### (2) OC.359

From April to September 2023, China did not import iron alloys, iron and steel products, textiles, or other goods from the DPRK prohibited by relevant UN resolutions. The goods imported from the DPRK under HS code 50 were mulberry silk and waste silk. Mulberry silk and waste silk are raw materials and do not fall under the category of textiles prohibited from export by the UN resolutions, as China has repeatedly stated to the Panel. During this period, all metal products, industrial machinery, electronic

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equipment, and vehicles exported from China to the DPRK were purely for the use of international organizations in their project offices in the DPRK, and did not involve any violations of UN sanctions resolutions. We urge the Panel to demonstrate its professionalism, accurately determine the scope of the resolutions and not to include any information unrelated to the resolutions in its final report.

# 2. Alleged cases related to DPRK financial activities

#### (1) OC.169

According to the information provided by the Panel, China conducted thorough investigations and found no evidence that the Yantai Jinmin Industry and Trade Company mentioned in the letter, as well as Li Zhenyu and Zhang Jiashan, were engaged in any activities in China that violated UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK.

#### (2) OC.167

China conducted thorough investigations based on the information provided by the Panel and found no evidence that the relevant banking accounts violated UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK. The authenticity and accuracy of the information provided by the Panel could not be confirmed.

## (3) OC.168

Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all

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representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK.

#### (4) OC.173

Based on thorough investigations conducted on the information provided by the Panel and found no evidence that the relevant banking accounts violated UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK.

# (5) OC.181

Based on the information provided by the Panel, China has conducted thorough investigations and found no evidence that New Elements Holdings Co.Ltd, as mentioned in the letter, was involved in activities that violated the UN Security Council resolutions. Due to incomplete information, the situation of Li Xianzhu could not be verified.

# 3. Alleged cases related to DPRK labor

# (1) OC.385

China has always been seriously implementing the relevant provisions of the UN Security Council resolutions regarding

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DPRK overseas workers. The working permits for DPRK workers in China have all been expired before the deadline stipulated in the relevant Security Council resolution.

#### (2) OC.386

China has been earnestly implementing the relevant provisions of the UN Security Council resolutions regarding DPRK overseas workers. The working permits for DPRK workers in China have all expired before the deadline stipulated in the relevant Security Council resolution.

# 4. Alleged cases of DPRK personnel conducting activities in violations of UN Security Council resolutions

## (1) OC.192

Based on our investigations, Liaoning Zhongwo Petrochemical Co., Ltd was deregistered in January 2022. China has thoroughly questioned the former head of the company and found no evidence of the company's involvement in activities that violated the UN Security Council resolutions. China does not have information on the situation of Chong Hyok and Chong Sang-Hun.

#### (2) OC.341

Based on the information provided by the Panel and according to our thorough investigations, no information of O Yong Ho's involvement in activities in violation of relevant Security Council resolutions in China has been found.

#### (3) OC.356

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Due to the limited information provided by the Panel, it is very difficult for China to conduct investigations. Nevertheless, We are now coordinating with relevant authorities to conduct serious investigations, and no evidence of violations of relevant Council resolutions has been found. It is hoped that the Panel will respect our efforts and refrain from including unverified information in the final report of 2023.

#### (4) OC.358

Based on our preliminary investigations, Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd was revoked by the Chinese market supervision department as early as in January 2018. There is no record of Choe Song Ryong or Cui Cheng Long serving as shareholders or senior executives in the registered companies in Beijing.

## (5) OC.357

Based on investigations, no information about Nam Chol Ung's involvement in activities in violation of relevant Security Council resolutions in China has been found. Regarding the individuals and companies mentioned in the letter, more time is needed for further investigations. We request the Panel to respect our efforts and refrain from including unverified information in the report.

# Annex 41: Media reports of luxury cars in Pyongyang

朝鲜八届九中全会:高官自驾豪车到会场

发表 2023年12 月28日

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12月上旬全国母亲大会的时候,朝媒发布的图像显示,金正恩换了新车——迈巴赫S650,同时有人从图像中发现,金正恩护卫车队的那几辆雷克萨斯似乎也都换了新。12月20日,金正恩携女儿接见导弹总局第二红旗连的时候,朝媒图像显示,他和"心爱的女儿"乘坐的是另一辆新款的迈巴赫S\_级轿车。



母亲大**会**合影现场。迈巴赫\$650



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母亲大会合影现场。金正恩座车及其护





## 接见第二红旗连。又一辆新车

金正恩及其护卫队换新车,之所以会成为外界关注的一个点,是因为它违反了安理会涉朝决议—2094 号决议禁止朝鲜进口高级轿车等奢侈品,2397 号决议则禁止朝鲜进口运输工具。当然,换新车违反安理会决议这事儿,金正恩也不是第一次做,因为朝鲜是不承认这些决议的,认为其"非法"。所以,你禁你的,我换我的。2019年的时候,有美国主流大媒体对金正恩当时乘坐的豪车来源做过追踪调查,结论是"经四个月辗转五个国家秘密运进朝鲜"。这回金正恩换的新车,大致应该路数照旧,只不过现在可能比2019年那时更加方便。

不仅金正恩换了新车,朝鲜核心领导层的几位高官也都换了新车。**KCTV关于八届**九中全**会**第一天的新闻报道中,甚至特意剪辑了高官们乘车甚至自驾抵**达会**场时的相**关**镜头,且在10分25秒的总片长中占据了大约20秒左右的时长。



与会人员列队集体进入会场,此处就是朝媒经常提到的"党中央本部大楼院子",图左建筑为主楼,图右为会场。

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一辆豪华奔驰车驶入**会**场,正列队进入**会**场的人员驻足等待。



警卫人员打**开**后车门,朝鲜"五常"之一金德训下车。车牌为黑底花体白字,牌号为"7·27023"。



金德训在众人驻足注视下走向会场。



一辆奔驰S\_级轿车驶入院子。

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警卫人员打**开**车门,朝鲜"五常"之一赵甬元**从**驾驶座探身下车。这是罕见的一幕,截至目前,除了金正恩外出视察曾亲自驾车之外,高官自驾前往**会**场的情形**极**为少见。



赵甬元的车牌也是黑底花体白字,牌号为"7·278242"。停车位置紧挨着金德训的"023"号车。







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另一位自驾前往**会**场的是朝鲜"五常"之一崔龙海。座驾也是奔驰S\_级,车牌也是黑底花体白字,牌号为"7·27020"。停车位置紧挨着赵甬元的"8242"号车。虽然KCTV没有给出崔龙海自驾的镜头,但却展示了他连续**两**次按钥匙锁车的动作。



接下来是金才龙和朴泰成两位大老。不知道他俩是自驾还是像金德训一样由司机开车。



从目前的局内位置看,金才龙在先、朴泰成在后。由此推断,紧挨着崔龙海"020"号车停放的蓝底白字牌照、车号"7·278244"这辆奔驰属于金才龙,而正在倒车入位的那辆黑底花体白字牌照(车号模糊未辨)的奔驰属于朴泰成。

上述场景,在朝鲜的新闻图像里是极为罕见的。高层官员换新车不算事儿,但自驾到会场却相当新鲜。外界有评论说,这些新车都是违反安理会决议、非法进口的,朝鲜这么做是为了炫耀自己不惧制裁、不理会制裁。我看倒也未必尽然,因为这些场景首先是出现在KCTV的新闻图像中,第一受众是朝鲜观众,即便外界看到,知情

和影响范围也是极小的。那么,从对朝鲜国内受众传播的角度看,领导自驾大约有些"亲民"的意思隐含其中,至于领导是换新车还是吃丹东草莓,说句实话,朝鲜人民还真的不会太在意,因为等级地位使然。

Source: https://posts.careerengine.us/p/658d2cc9311dd31682755e0f?from=latest-posts-panel&type=title

Unofficial partial translation

The Ninth Plenary Session of the 8th Central Committee of North Korea: Senior officials drove luxury cars to the venue

Published December 28, 2023

## Author / Lin Haidong

At the National Mothers' Conference in early December, images released by the North Korean media showed that Kim Jong-un had changed to a new car, the Maybach S650. At the same time, some people found from the images that the Lexus that Kim Jong-un guarded the convoy also seemed to have been replaced. New. On December 20th, when Kim Jong-un brought his daughter to meet with the Second Red Flag Company of the General Missile Administration, North Korean media images showed that he and his "beloved daughter" were riding in another new Maybach S\_-class sedan.

The reason why Kim Jong-un and his guards have replaced their new cars has become a point of concern to the outside world is because it violates the Security Council resolution on North Korea—Resolution 2094 prohibits North Korea from importing luxury goods such as luxury cars, and Resolution 2397 prohibits North Korea from importing means of transportation. Of course, it is not the first time that Kim Jong-un has violated Security Council resolutions by changing to a new car, because North Korea does not recognize these resolutions and considers them "illegal." So, you change yours, I change mine. In 2019, major mainstream American media conducted a tracking survey on the source of the luxury car Kim Jong-un was riding in at the time, and the conclusion was that "it was secretly transported into North Korea after four months of moving to five countries." The new car that Kim Jong-un changed this time should roughly be the same as usual, but it may be more convenient now than it was in 2019.

Not only did Kim Jong-un change to a new car, but several senior officials of the North Korean core leadership also changed to a new car. In KCTV's news report on the first day of the Eighth and Ninth Plenum of the Eighth Central Committee, relevant footage of senior officials arriving at the venue by

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car or even by car was even specially edited, and it occupied about 20 seconds of the total length of 10 minutes and 25 seconds. About 20 seconds.

The guards opened the rear car door... . The license plate is white with a flower body on a black background,

The brand name is "7.27023".

The guards opened the car. This is a rare scene. So far, except for Kim Jong-un who went out to inspect and drove in person, it is extremely rare for senior officials to drive to the venue by themselves.

...license plate is also white with a flower body on a black background, and the number plate is "7.278242".

The car is also a Mercedes-Benz S\_-class, and the license plate is also in white on a black background, with the brand name "7·27020". The parking location is next to "8242" car. Although KCTV did not give a shot of... driving by himself, it showed him pressing the key to lock the car twice in a row.

The above scenes are extremely rare in North Korean news images. It's not a big deal for high-level officials to change to a new car, but it's quite fresh to drive to the venue by yourself. There are comments from the outside world that these new cars were illegally imported in violation of Security Council resolutions. North Korea did this to show that it is not afraid of sanctions and ignores them. I don't think it's all true, because these scenes first appeared in KCTV's news images, and the first audience was the North Korean audience. Even if the outside world saw it, they knew it.

And the scope of influence is also very small. So, from the perspective of communication to the domestic audience in North Korea, the leader's self-driving car has some "people-friendly" meanings implied. As for whether the leader changes to a new car or eats Dandong strawberries, to be honest, the North Korean people really don't care too much, because of the hierarchical status.

# Annex 42: Letter from the Permanent Mission of Japan and Japan's reply

PERMANENT MISSION OF JAPAN TO THE UNITED NATIONS NEW YORK

12 January 2024

Dear

The Government of Japan highly values the work of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1874 (hereinafter "the Panel") as well as that of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to UNSCR 1718 (hereinafter "the 1718 Committee"), and reaffirms its commitment to cooperate with the Panel to ensure the full and strict implementation of all relevant UNSCRs against North Korea.

Upon instructions from the capital, I have the honour to share Japan's response, as attached, to the letter dated 20 December 2023 (Reference: S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.617) with respect to media publications concerning an attempted export of Lexus cars to North Korea.

The Government of Japan reaffirms its commitment to continue working closely with the Panel and the 1718 Committee. Should the Panel have any inquiries, please contact the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations.

Please accept the assurance of my highest esteem.

Kazuyuki YAMAZAKI

Ambassador Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary

Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations

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Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009)

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# [Attachment]

The information in the media articles attached to your letter concerning an attempted export of Lexus cars to North Korea have not been officially publicized by the Police, and it is difficult for the Government of Japan to provide any information regarding this case because provision of such information could hinder the future investigation by the Police.

## Annex 43: Toyota reply to the Panel's enquiry



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12 January 2024

Re: Response to 12 December 2023 Letter from UN Panel of Experts on North Korea Reference: S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.509

Dear'

Thank you for the letter from the UN Security Council Panel of Experts established pursuant to Resolution 1874 (2009) (the "Panel") to Toyota Motor Corporation ("Toyota"). Toyota is responding through this letter to the questions raised by the Panel regarding the image from November 2023 published in a news media report in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea ("DPRK").

Toyota is fully committed to respecting the laws and regulations of each country or region where we operate, including all applicable economic sanctions and export control laws. Toyota complies with applicable UN resolutions in relation to the DPRK and does not export, supply, sale or transfer motor vehicles directly or indirectly to the DPRK. Toyota also does not manufacture motor vehicles in or conduct other business activities in the DPRK.

The vehicle shown in the image provided by the Panel appears to be a Lexus LX600 or a Lexus LX500d. Toyota is not able to determine the particular model without viewing the name badge on the backdoor or other unique characteristics. These models were first manufactured in December 2021 and remain in production at this time. These models are manufactured only by Toyota Auto Body Co., Ltd. at its plant in Yoshiwara, Japan, which is wholly-owned by Toyota Motor Corporation. The total production number of these

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models since December 2021 is more than 49,000 units. While the Lexus LX has been sold globally, the largest markets by volume are the United States, Saudi Arabia and Qutar. In these and other markets, Toyota generally sells its vehicles through distributors and dealers rather than directly to end-users but no Toyota distributors or dealers are authorized to sell vehicles to North Korea. Toyota is not able to confirm based on the photographs the specific market in which Toyota originally sold this particular Lexus LX. However, as noted above, it was not sold by Toyota in North Korea or for use in North Korea.

In consideration of the important work of the Panel, Toyota would like to continue to cooperate with the Panel consistent with the legal obligations of Toyota and its business partners. Toyota is willing to conduct further research in support of the Panel's inquiry if the Panel is able to provide more specific information regarding the vehicle at issue. For instance, if the Panel is able to provide the vehicle identification number (VIN), we would work to provide you with more detailed information such as model year, production date, model code and final destination for the Toyota delivery.

As noted above, Toyota is committed to complying fully with the laws and regulations of each country or region where we operate and we require our dealers and distributors to do the same. We comply fully with applicable UN resolutions in relation to the DPRK and Toyota has a strict policy of not exporting motor vehicles or related parts or components directly or indirectly to the DPRK.

We hope that the above information is helpful to your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

Secretariat, Export and Trade Security Controls Committee

Toyota Motor Corporation

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# Annex 44: Dior reply to the Panel's enquiry



United Nations United Nations Security Council

To the attention of: Ms.

Acting Coordinator of the Ponel of Experts established pursuant to UN Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) dapa-poe1874@un.org

Paris, November 16, 2023

Your Ref: S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.252

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Thank you for your letter dated October 16, 2023.

Christian Dior Couture highly values the Panel's work and is very much willing to contribute to its efforts, as compliance with the United Nations Security Council resolutions is of utmost importance for our Maison. We have mobilized various internal contributors to work on your questions. Unfortunately, despite our effort, we are not able to determine how the handbag shown in Fig. 1 of your letter may have been obtained by a DPRK delegation member.

Please find below our answers with regards to the four questions raised in your letter:

Please confirm if the item in the image is a genuine Dior product?

It is difficult, on the basis of these photos only (no close-up on the handbag and therefore not showing details), to confirm undoubtedly the authenticity of this handbag. However, it strongly appears like one of our handbag models (see next question).

2. Please confirm the make and model of the handbag in question, whether these are limited production items, and any other information insofar as it could assist the Panel in narrowing down certain specific markets where such items may have been purchased?

Based on the photos provided, this bag could be the « SAC LADY DIOR LARGE Cuir de veau Cannage ultramatte noir », bearing the M0566SLOI\_M989 reference number. This model of bag was first sold on February 2019. It is part of our permanent collection, and it is commercialized worldwide (with most sales in Europe and in the US).

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# 3. Can you share any ideas on supply channels of the item to the DPRK or suspected supply route to the DPRK?

Christian Dior Couture complies with prohibitions on the provision, sale, or transfer of luxury goods to the DPRK and has no knowledge of the supply networks which may be circumventing these prohibitions. Our boutiques and e-commerce websites do not sell outside their domestic market and we have a policy to fight against parallel markets. In this respect, we sometimes cease sales with certain customers for whom we have reason to suspect, in view of the volume and/or type of purchases, that they may be reselling our products. We also carry out verifications on our customers with regards to the sanctions measures put in place by the United Nations and other international organizations and countries (including the EU, UK, USA) against specific individuals. However, we cannot fully control the subsequent resale of our products.

 The Panel would also welcome any other information that you might consider relevant to the Panel work as mandated by the Security Council in this regard.

We are at the Panel's disposal to carry out any helpful verification on our customer database in the event that one or several individual(s) is(are) identified by the Panel as likely to supply the DPRK with our products. In such case, we could potentially blacklist this(these) individual(s) based on the elements gathered by the Panel.

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We hope that the above information will be of nature to assist the Panel and we of course remain at your disposal for any other question you may have.

Yours sincerely,

SVP General Counsel mchampey@christiandior.com

# Annex 45: Letter from the Permanent Mission of Slovakia and Slovakia's reply

Stála misia Slovenskej republiky pri Organizácii Spojených národov New York



Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations New Mork

#### 115674/2023

The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Panel of Experts established pursuant to the Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) and has the honour to refers to the latter Note Verbale regarding the investigation claims of a Slovakian national, Mr. Ashot Mkrtychev, for having allegedly attempted to, directly or indirectly, import, export, or reexport to, into, or from the DPRK any arms or related material.

Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic approached the Ministry of Finance of the Slovak Republic as the national coordinator of the enforcement of international sanctions and the manager of the Central Coordination Group for the enforcement of international sanctions in the Slovak Republic.

Department of Finance contacted the relevant state authorities in this matter. Based on the answers received and in accordance with the information requested by the panel of experts, we state that the named person is the holder of Slovak passport no. BD3843329 (valid until April 8, 2029). We also state that the ammunition could not be transported by a naval ship registered in the Slovak Maritime Register, as currently no naval ship is registered in this register. According to the available information, after his inclusion on the OFAC sanctions list, the bank account of the named person in particular bank was cancelled (at the time of the information from the bank, the account had a zero balance and it was blocked for any transactions). No payments made from or to the DPRK, or payments connected to the mentioned case linked to this person, have been notified to the relevant authorities by the banks.

According to the available information, the person named has not been staying in the territory of the Slovak Republic for a long time and should currently be alternately located in the territory of the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China. The internal authorities of the Slovak Republic do not have any additional information that would allow them to further clarify the claims according to which the named person should have cooperated with representatives of the DPRK in obtaining weapons and ammunition for the Russian Federation in exchange for materials for the DPRK.

In the event that additional facts relevant to the mentioned case are discovered, the authorities of the Slovak Republic are ready to cooperate with a panel of experts.

The Permanent Mission of the Slovak Republic to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Panel of Experts established pursuant to the Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 27 July 2023

Panel of Experts established pursuant to the Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) United Nations New York

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# Annex 46: Ukrainian forces allegedly utilized multiple-launch rocket systems (MLRS) manufactured in the DPRK

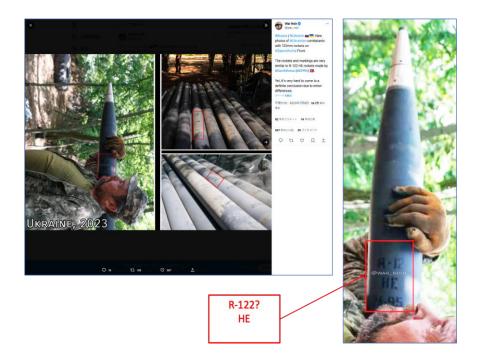






Soviet-era Grad multiple-launch rocket systems fire on Russian positions in Donetsk. North Korean munitions have been used in such attacks near Bakhmut in the eastern region  $\hat{\mathbb{C}}$  Sofiia Gatilova/Reuters

*Source*: Financial Times, 28 July 2023, accessed at <a href="https://www.ft.com/content/96e1f526-ae3d-4cff-bc37-8f9dd7d5975f">https://www.ft.com/content/96e1f526-ae3d-4cff-bc37-8f9dd7d5975f</a>. Boxed translation by the Panel.

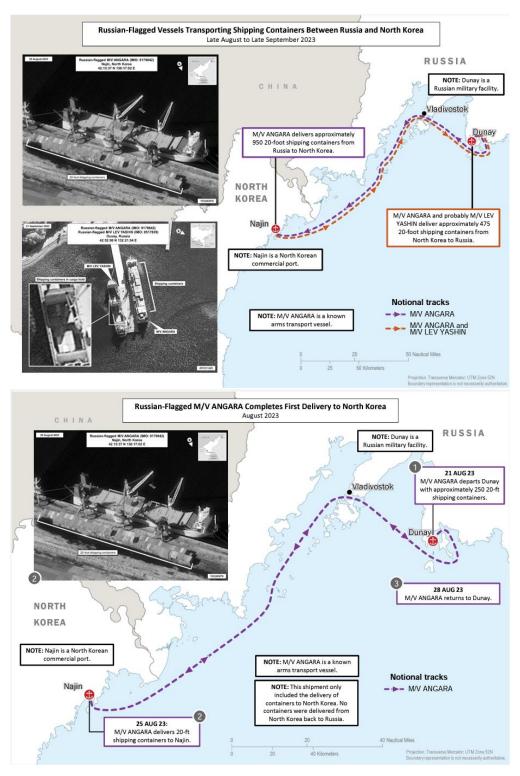


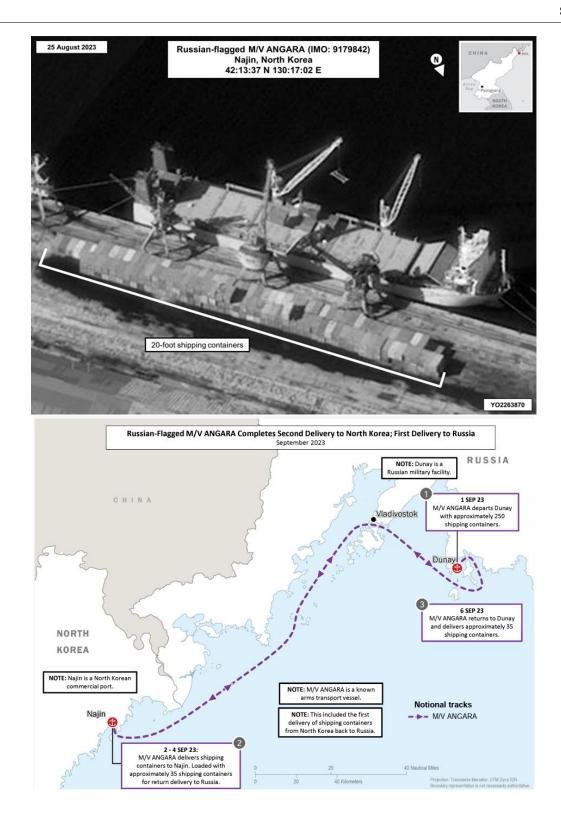
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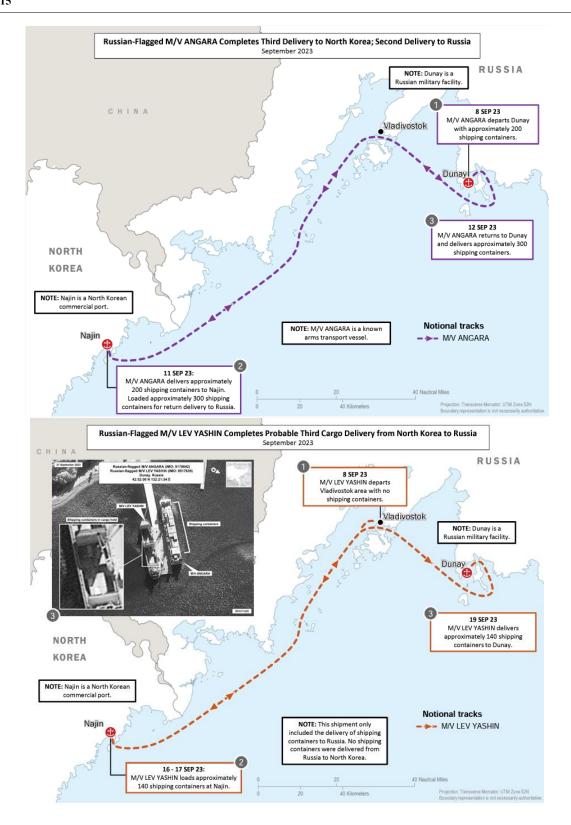
# Annex 47: Member State information on alleged arms transfers from the DPRK (1)

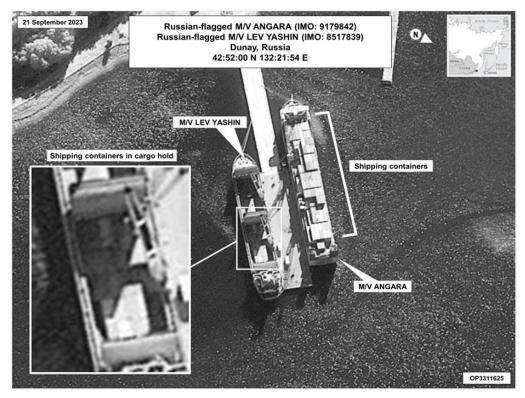
Movements of *Angara* and *Maria* (fka *Lev Yashin*) between Rajin Port and Dunay late August 2023 – late September 2023

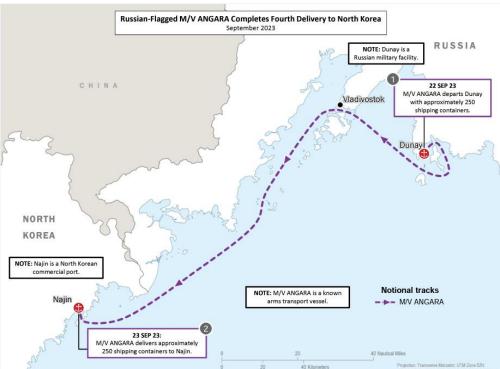




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Source: Member States.

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# Deliveries Between Russia and North Korea Late August to Late September 2023

Delivery	First Russia- to-North Korea	Second Russia- to-North Korea	First North Korea-to- Russia	Third Russia- to-North Korea	Second North Korea-to- Russia	Third North Korea-to- Russia	Fourth Russia- to-North Korea
Vessel	ANGARA	ANGARA	ANGARA	ANGARA	ANGARA	LEV YASHIN	ANGARA
Quantity of 20-ft shipping containers	-250	-250	-35	-200	-300	-140	-250
Origin	Dunay	Dunay	Najin	Dunay	Najin	Najin	Dunay
	(Russia)	(Russia)	(North Korea)	(Russia)	(North Korea)	(North Korea)	(Russia)
Destination	Najin	Najin	Dunay	Najin	Dunay	Dunay	Najin
	(North Korea)	(North Korea)	(Russia)	(North Korea)	(Russia)	(Russia)	(North Korea)
Dates	21 - 25	1 - 2	2 - 6	8 - 11	11 - 12	16 - 19	22 - 23
	August	September	September	September	September	September	September

Source: Member State.

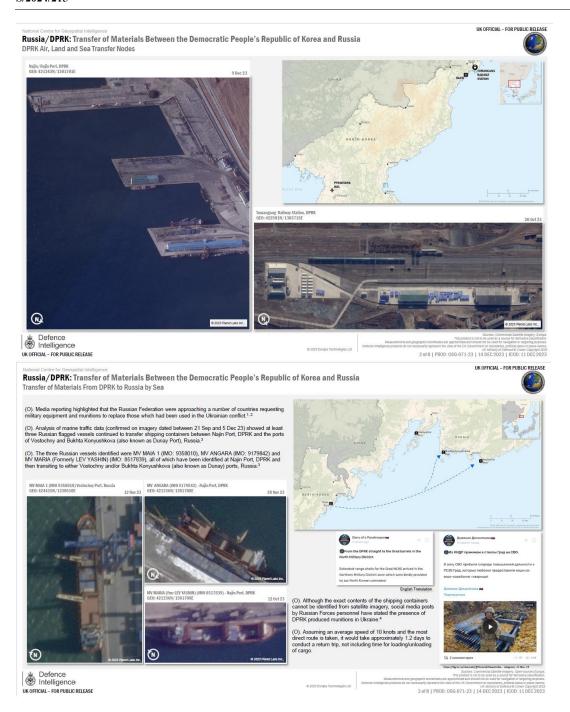
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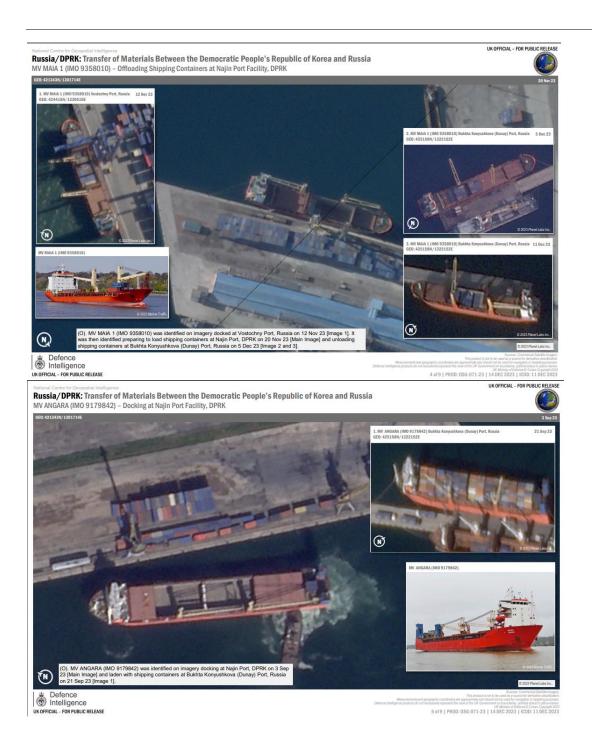
# Annex 48: Member State information on alleged arms transfers from the DPRK (2)

Images of the *Angara* and *Maria* (*fka Lev Yashin*) at Rajin Port and Konyushkovo Bay, and of *Maia-1* at Rajin Port, Konyushkovo Bay and Vostochny Port, September 2023 – December 2023

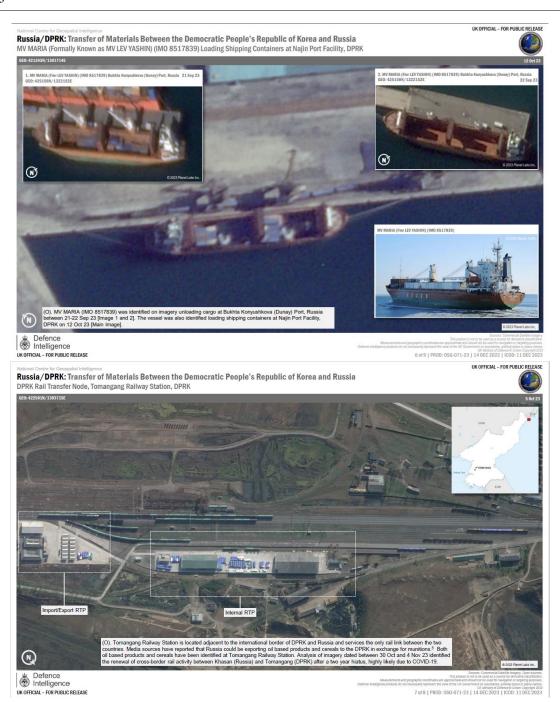


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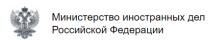


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Source: Member State.

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# Annex 49: Screenshot of a page from the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (https://www.mid.ru/ru/foreign\_policy/news/1914400/)



11.11.2023 11:57 № 2282-11-11-2023

Ответ официального представителя МИД России М.В.Захаровой на вопрос СМИ в связи с обвинениями США и их союзников в адрес России в «военно-техническом сотрудничестве» с КНДР

**Вопрос:** В последнее время в адрес России и КНДР все чаще звучат обвинения в осуществлении запрещенных резолюциями Совета Безопасности ООН взаимных поставок вооружений и военных технологий. Один из последних примеров — заявление стран «Группы семи» по итогам встречи в Токио. На эту тему также неоднократно высказывался госсекретарь США Э.Блинкен, в том числе в ходе недавнего визита в Сеул. Как бы Вы могли это прокомментировать?

**Ответ:** Обвинения, предъявляемые «коллективным Западом» в «незаконном» военнотехническом сотрудничестве России с КНДР – голословны и бездоказательны, в излюбленном стиле «highly likely». К тому же никто не наделял Вашингтон и Токио следственными полномочиями.

Россия ответственно выполняет свои международные обязательства, включая резолюции Совета Безопасности. И это не мешает нам развивать традиционные отношения дружбы и сотрудничества с соседями, в том числе КНДР, имеющие давние исторические корни.

Что касается критиков нашей страны из числа так называемых поборников международного права, то им следует посоветовать почаще смотреть в зеркало, прежде чем учить других. Ведь именно США и их сателлиты нарушают общепринятые нормы международного права и резолюции Совета Безопасности, накачивают преступный киевский режим оружием и тем самым способствуют продолжению кровопролития.

#### Unofficial translation:

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Foreign Ministry Spokesperson Maria Zakharova's answer to a media question regarding US and its allies' accusations of "military-technical cooperation" with the DPRK

Question: Recently, Russia and North Korea have been increasingly accused of carrying out mutual deliveries of weapons and military technology, which are prohibited by UN Security Council resolutions. One of the latest examples is the statement of the G7 countries following the meeting in Tokyo. US Secretary of State Antony Blinken has also repeatedly spoken on this topic, including during his recent visit to Seoul. How would you comment on this?

**Maria Zakharova:** The accusations made by the "collective West" of "illegal" military-technical cooperation between Russia and the DPRK are unfounded and unsubstantiated, in the favourite style of "highly likely." In addition, no one gave Washington and Tokyo investigative powers.

Russia is responsibly fulfilling its international obligations, including Security Council resolutions. And this does not prevent us from developing traditional relations of friendship and cooperation with our neighbours, including the DPRK, which have long-standing historical roots.

As for the so-called critics of international law, our country, they should be advised to look in the mirror more often before lecturing others. After all, it is the United States and its satellites that violate the generally accepted norms of international law and Security Council resolutions, pump the criminal Kiev regime with weapons and thereby contribute to the continuation of bloodshed.

Annex 50: Compilation of available information on Angara's movements August to December 2023 (non-exhaustive)

Date	Summary of reported activity	Source and date of information		
18 August	At Dunay (Dunai) Port	NKNews 23 October		
18 August	Departs Dunay	RUSI, 16 October		
21 August	Departs Dunay with 250 shipping containers	Member State report		
25 August	Shipping containers delivered to Rajin	Member State report		
C	(Najin)	1		
26 August	Arrives Rajin	RUSI 16 October		
28 August	Returns empty to Dunay	Member State report		
1 September	Departs Dunay with 250 shipping containers	Member State report		
1 September	Departs Dunay	RUSI 16 October		
2-4 September	Shipping containers delivered to Rajin; loads approx. 35 shipping containers	Member States' reports		
3 September	Loads and unloads cargoes at Rajin	RUSI 16 October		
3 September	At Rajin Pier 2, loads containers	NKNews 16 October; 23		
		October		
6 September	Approx 35 shipping containers delivered to Dunay	Member State report		
8 September	Departs Dunay with approx. 200 shipping containers	Member State report		
	Disappeared for a few days (?)	NKNews 23 October		
11 September	Approx 200 shipping containers delivered to Rajin; loads approx. 300 shipping containers	Member State report		
12 September	Approx 300 shipping containers delivered to Dunay	Member State report		
20 September	Vessel appeared to stay at Dunay through this date	NKNews 16 October		
21 September	Loaded cargo at Dunay (alongside Maria)	Member State report; RUSI 16 October		
21 September	Departs Dunay	RUSI 16 October		
22 September	Departs Dunay with approx. 250 shipping containers	Member State report		
23 September	Approx 250 containers delivered to Rajin	Member State report		
23 September	Anchored in waters off coast of Vladivostok	NKNews 23 October		
23 September	Photos near Vladivostok: Carrying containers	NKNews 19 October;		
	with logos of commercial companies.	Marinetraffic.com		
24 September	Arrives Rajin	RUSI 16 October		
24 September	Unloading and possibly later loading containers	NKNews 23 October		
2 October	"Ship matching Angara's profile" at Rajin Port Pier 1	NKNews 16 October		
2 October	Unloading cargo at Rajin Port	RUSI 16 October		
2 October	Possibly later loading containers	NKNews 23 October		

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Rajin restarted co	ontainer trade for first time in 5 years	NKNews 14 October	
6-11 October	Vostochny Port loading and possibly earlier	NKNews 23 October	
	unloading containers		
14 October	Anchored in waters off coast of Vladivostok	NKNews 23 October	
14 October	Photos near Vladivostok: Carrying containers	NKNews 19 October;	
	with logos of commercial companies.	Marinetraffic.com	
	At Vostochny Port (date uncertain)	NKNews 25 October	
22-23 October	Rajin Port unloading and later loading	NKNews 23 October	
	containers		
23 October	Picks up containers at Rajin Port Pier 2	NKNews 31 October; CSIS, 8	
		December	
27 October	Appears at Dunay alongside Russian naval	NKNews 31 October	
	warship		
29 October	Still at Dunay without significant change in	NKNews 31 October	
	cargo		
28 November	At Rajin Port	Member State report	
First days of	At Nakhodka commercial container port	NKNews 13 December	
December			
9 December	Unloading containers at Rajin	NKNews 13 December;	
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Source: Compilation by the Panel.

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## Annex 51: Angara - Supplementary information

The Panel is investigating entities currently connected to *Angara* and the other vessels named in Table 3 of the main text.

According to maritime databases, M Leasing LLC (TIN: 9701173086, established in 2021) is the current registered owner of *Angara*. The Panel tried to contact M Leasing LLC using their published email address and telephone numbers but was unsuccessful. Investigations continue.

Marine Trans Shipping LLC (TIN: 3025037914) currently manages and operates *Angara*. mailto: The Panel wrote to Marine Trans Shipping LLC on 14 December but has not had a reply.

In addition to the four vessels whose details are listed in Table 3, reports refer also to the possible involvement of a fifth vessel *Vyacheslav Anisimov* (IMO: 9004463). According to commercial maritime databases *Vyacheslav Anisimov* visited Dunay sometime between about 6 and 15 September 2023. <sup>225</sup> According to a Member State, *Vyacheslav Anisimov* entered Dunai between 9 and 15 September and offloaded containers to *Angara*. The Russian Federation has not replied to the Panel's enquiry about this vessel.

The Panel wrote to the Russian Maritime Shipping Register on 15 December 2023 requesting information and documentation for the four vessels whose details are in Table 3, and the *Vyacheslav Anisimov*. The Russian Maritime Shipping Register replied that the request had been "duly forwarded to the appropriate Governmental bodies of the Russian Federation".

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<sup>225</sup> See also: https://www.nknews.org/pro/how-russia-used-lookalike-ships-to-conceal-suspected-north-korea-arms-trade/



A photograph of *Angara* off Vladivostok dated 22 September 2023<sup>226</sup> shows it was carrying shipping containers. Some of these had logos apparently of a number of different companies. In response to the Panel's enquiry of one of these companies, PJSC Transcontainer, the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation sent the following response dated 25 January 2024:

"I would like to refer to the request by the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009), namely S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.563 dated 14 December 2023.

In this regard, I wish to inform you of the following. PJSC Transcontainer has not previously had and does not currently have any contractual relations with Marine Trans Shipping LLC or M Leasing LLC. The organization has not leased containers to any lessees for the purpose of loading them onto vessel ANGARA. Transportation to DPRK is not included in the geographic scope of the activities of PJSC Transcontainer. The company has never carried out and does not carry out transportation from and to DPRK.

<sup>226</sup> MarineTraffic.com

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When concluding its lease agreements, PJSC Transcontainer shows due diligence and receives assurances from the lessees that the property of PJSC Transcontainer will not be used in violations of the international obligations of the Russian Federation, including compliance with the sanctions regimes of the UN Security Council. The clients of the company undertake not to use the containers provided for temporary possession and use for the delivery, transportation, transfer, as well as transportation of goods, products and items to countries with trade restrictions in force under the UN Security Council resolutions, as well as for the benefit of persons on the sanctions list of the UN Security Council.

The photograph attached to the Panel's request of the vessel ANGARA shows that some of the containers have a trademark similar to that of PJSC Transcontainer. Belonging of containers is indicated by a unique BIC code. The images presented in the request do not allow to identify the BIC codes on the containers and establish their belonging.

Please let me know if you'd like to receive any additional clarifications or discuss any follow-up matters."

## Annex 51.1: Angara's speed

Angara's service speed is 15 kn according to commercial maritime databases although in the days before Angara arrived at Korsakov it appears to have travelled rather more slowly, mainly between 8 and 10 kn.<sup>227</sup>

Estimates based on Google Earth images suggest that the direct round-trip distance between Najin and Konyushkovo Bay is approximately 440 km. The route maps in Annex 47 would suggest, however, that vessels making this journey hug the coast, perhaps in order to stay within DPRK or Russian territorial waters and thus minimizing the risk of surveillance. In this case, the round-trip distance is approximately 540 km. Approximate round-trip travel-times under these different scenarios are as follows:

0 11	sailing speed	voyage time (no account	Approximate round-trip voyage time (assuming the port call in the middle lasted 0.5 days) <sup>9</sup>
Direct route 220 km	15 kn	16 hours	28 hours
	10 kn	24 hours	36 hours
Hugging the coast	15 kn	19 ½ hours	31 ½ hours
270 km	10 kn	29 hours	41 hours

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>227</sup> Source: Windward.

## Annex 51.2: Member States' Designation of Angara

The U.S. Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Controls designated the *Angara*, M Leasing LLC and Marine Trans Shipping LLC on 8 May under Section 1(a) of Executive Order (E.O.) 14024 of April 15, 2021 ("Blocking Property With Respect To Specified Harmful Foreign Activities of the Government of the Russian Federation"):

- ANGARA Roll-on Roll-off 8,811GRT Russia flag; Vessel Registration Identification IMO 9179842 (vessel) [RUSSIA EO14024] (Linked To: M LEASING LLC);
- M LEASING LLC, Baumanskaya Ul., D.7, Str. 1, Of. 301, Moscow 105005, Russia; Tax ID No. 9701173086 (Russia); Identification Number IMO 6246853 [RUSSIA-EO14024];
- MARINE TRANS SHIPPING LLC, Office 2, Ulitsa Naberezhnaya Reki Tsareva 1, Astrakhan 414024, Russia; Tax ID No. 3025037914 (Russia); Identification Number IMO 6183435 [RUSSIA-EO14024].

The Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation of HM Treasury designated M LEASING on 19 May 2023 under The Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019:

Name (non-Latin script): М ЛИЗИНГ a.k.a: M LIZING Address: Of. 301, Str. 1, D.7, Baumanskaya Ul., Moscow, Russia, 105005.Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): RUS1850. Financial sanctions imposed in addition to an asset freeze: Trust services. Date trust services sanctions imposed: 18/05/2023. (UK Statement of Reasons):M LEASING is an involved person within the meaning of the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because 1) M LEASING is an entity carrying on business in a sector of strategic significance to the Government of Russia, namely, the transport sector; and 2) M LEASING is involved in providing financial services, or making available funds, economic resources, goods or technology, that could contribute to destabilising Ukraine or undermining or 21 threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty or independence of Ukraine. (Email address): svetlana-osik@mail.ru (Type of entity): Limited Liability Company (LLC) (Business Reg No):9701173086 Listed on: 19/05/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 18/05/2023 Last Updated: 19/05/2023 Group ID: 15911.

## Annex 51.3: Angara's history

- 1. Commercial maritime databases indicate that *Angara* earlier visited Konyushkovo Bay, in June, 2023.
- 2. A private sector organization posted the following tweet on 16 October 2023 (The Dossier Centre: <a href="https://t.me/dossiercenter/300">https://t.me/dossiercenter/300</a>)

#### Центр «Досье»

КНДР поставляет в Россию боеприпасы, убедился Центр «Досье»

Российские корабли «Мария» и «Ангара» в течение последних двух месяцев забирали грузы в северокорейском порту Раджин и доставляли их на засекреченную военную базу на Дальнем Востоке, пишет The Washington Post. Издание опирается на спутниковые снимки, исследованные RUSI. Фотографии не позволяют определить, что именно перевозили суда, но аналитики предполагают, что речь идет о поставках боеприпасов.

Как минимум в одном случае это были ракеты, выяснил Центр «Досье». В корабельных документах «Ангары», с которыми ознакомился «Досье», говорится, что в трюме сухогруза перевозились 50,69 тонн ракет с разрывным зарядом. В материалах ни разу не упоминается, что суда посещали КНДР. При этом нередко в качестве пункта назначения указан залив Стрелок, на берегу которого и располагается российская военная база.

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**Dossier Centre** 

North Korea supplies ammunition to Russia, the Dossier Center is convinced

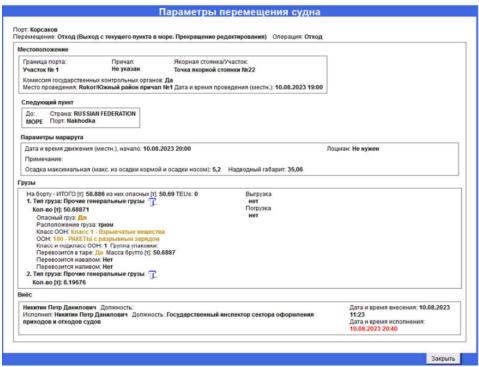
Over the past two months, the Russian ships Maria and Angara have been picking up cargo at the North Korean port of Rajin and delivering it to a secret military base in the Far East, The Washington Post writes. The publication is based on satellite images studied by RUSI. The photographs do not make it possible to determine what exactly the ships were transporting, but analysts suggest that we are talking about the supply of ammunition.

In at least one case, these were missiles, the Dossier Center found out. The Angara ship's documents, which the Dossier reviewed, state that 50.69 tons of missiles with an explosive charge were transported in the cargo hold. The materials never mention that the ships visited the DPRK. At the same time, Strelok Bay is often indicated as a destination, on the shores of which a Russian military base is located.

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3. The Panel has been shown alleged documentary material which it cannot independently verify. This reportedly shows inter alia that *Angara* carried in its hold 50.6887 tons of dangerous cargo described as UN Class 1 explosive material, UN No 180 Explosive Rockets when at or close to Korsakov Port in the Sakhalin Peninsula between about 6-10 August:<sup>2</sup>

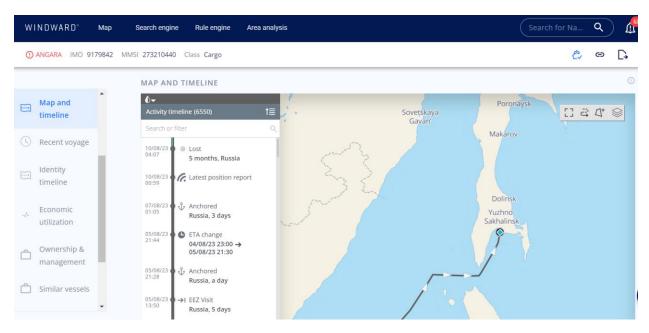


- 4. The documentary material suggests this cargo was offloaded at a destination in Strelok Bay sometime between 15 and 21 August.
- 5. This suggestion is supported by satellite imagery which *shows Angara* at Konyushkovo Bay (which is situated in Strelok Bay) on 18 August 2023, moored alongside a pier across from a warship:



Source: Planet Labs, 18 August 2023.

Annex 51.4: Route taken by Angara until 10 August, when AIS transmissions ceased to be detected

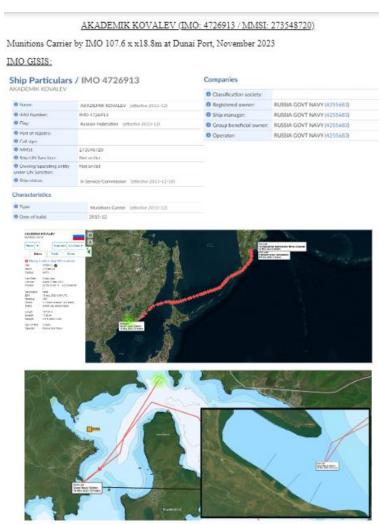


Source: Windward, accessed on 4 January 2024.

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## Annex 52: Konyushkovo Bay

Konyushkovo Bay, located south of Dunay, was used as a submarine base in former USSR times<sup>228</sup> and subsequently was used as an unloading point of spent nuclear fuel from decommissioned submarines for transport to Ministry of Defense temporary storage facilities at Sysoev Bay, close to Dunay.<sup>229</sup> Konyushkovo Bay is still in use by Russian Navy vessels. The Panel examined available imagery of vessels in the Bay prior to August 2023 and found that it was only infrequently used by merchant vessels. Maritime databases provide examples of two military vessels in the bay in November 2023, as does a Google image dated 2020 of another military vessel:



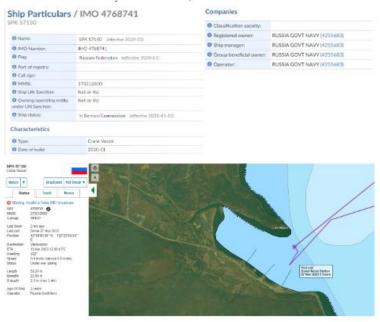
Location: 42°55'15.65" N 132°25'09.59"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>228</sup> See for example, CIA report dated 9 May 1965: https://www.cia.gov/readingroom/docs/CIA-RDP78T05929A000900020013-6 pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>229</sup> See for example "Environmental safety and monitoring measures in the dangerous radioactive facilities in the Far East, as well as possible responses to accidents which may happen in the facilities", Acad, Ashot Sarkisov, Advisor to Director of IBRAE (http://www.tecsec.org/en/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/tokyoseminar05\_e.pdf) presented at the G8 Seminar on the Global Partnership August 2005 (http://www.tecsec.org/en/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/tokyoseminar02\_e.pdf).

#### SPK 57150 (IMO: 4768741 / MMSI: 273212850)

Crane Vessel 52m x 22.8m by IMO at Dunai Port, November 2023



Source: International Maritime Organization database, accessed 27 November 2023.



Military ship and support vessel with crane in Konyushkovo Bay

Source: Google image, August 2020, accessed 7 November 2023.

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Angara and warship

Warships are occasionally seen on satellite imagery of Konyushkovo Bay moored opposite *Angara* (as here) or *Maria*.

Source: Planet Labs, 18 August 2023.



Entrance to Konyushkovo Bay, looking south – the sign on the right indicates "Restricted Area – Entry Forbidden". The white cabin situated in the centre of the picture, just behind the red-and-white barriers across the road, is at the main entrance to the facility. It can be seen on current satellite imagery.

Source: Google Earth, July 2013.

### Annex 53: Angara's Movements at Konyushkovo Bay and Rajin Port

# Annex 53.1: *Angara* unloading and loading containers at Konyushkovo Bay (see also image in figure XVI in the main text).

Two vessels filled with shipping containers are moored alongside the main pier: *Angara* is on the left. The majority of the containers on the vessel are blue in colour. The containers on the other vessel are multi-coloured.

Note the white cabin at the top left of the image marking the position of the main gate of the facility. A stack of mainly blue containers has been built just inside the entrance. Vehicles at main gate are probably flat-bed trucks used to move the containers.

According to the Member State information Annex 45, Angara delivered approximately 300 shipping containers on 12 September. These presumably are the shipping containers that can be observed on board Angara in the image below.

Figure 1.



Source: Planet Labs, 12 September 2023.

Angara at Konyushkovo Bay, 14 September 2023

The containers from the two vessels appear to have been unloaded. Additional blue containers (presumably from *Angara*) have been added to the stack seen on 12 September. Close-by a new stack of multi-coloured containers has been built, presumably originating from the vessel on the right of the pier.

The Panel is unable to establish independently the exact location of the approximately 300 containers delivered by *Angara* on 12 September.

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Figure 2.



Source: Planet Labs, 14 September 2023.

### Numbers of containers

14 September: Approximate number of containers onshore Konyushkovo Bay: 105-210, in three piles (Note that unloading from *Angara* was not completed: some containers remain in the hold):

Figure 3. Three piles of containers:



Source: Planet Labs, annotated by the Panel.

Figure 4. Pile 1 (90-180 containers):



Source: Planet Labs, annotated by the Panel..

Figure 5. Pile 2 (15-30 containers):



Source: Planet Labs, annotated by the Panel.

Figure 6. Pile 3 (70-140 containers):



Source: Planet Labs, annotated by the Panel.

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Figure 7. Pile 3 increased in size with additional containers (approximately 20) added between 12 September and 14 September:

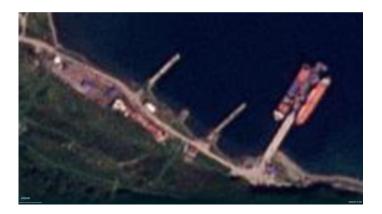


Source: Planet Labs, annotated by the Panel.

Note that the Panel has not been able to track the movement of containers in and out of the main gate of the facility by vehicle.

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Figure 8. *Angara* has been loaded with blue containers and the pile of blue containers seen onshore on 14 September has been reduced in size.



Source: Planet Labs, 15 September 2023.

### **Annex 53.2**

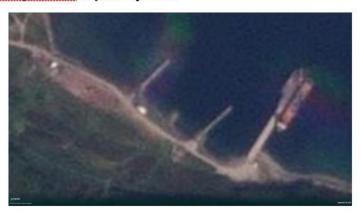
Figure 1. Angara at Konyushkovo Bay 28 September



Source: Planet Labs

Note stack of containers close to main gate, and vehicular activity along the pier.

Figure 2. Angara at Konyushkovo Bay 30 September



Source: Planet Labs

Note stack of containers close to main gate has disappeared. Note the red-orange moveable cover (figure 2) has changed its configuration and appears to cover more of the <a href="hold(filled with containers">hold(filled with containers)</a> in comparison with 28 September.

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Figure 3. Angara at Pier 1, Rajin Port, 2 October

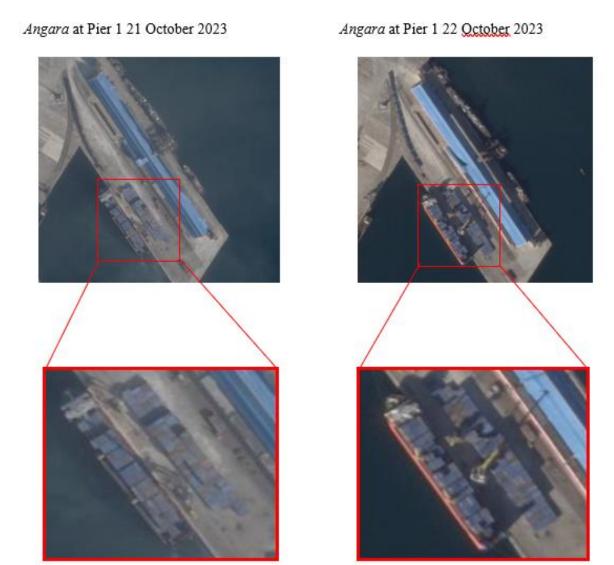
The configuration of the red-orange moveable cover has changed again (partially pulled-back, perhaps in connection with container unloading, and a mix of blue and other-coloured containers can be seen in two places below).



Source: Planet Labs.

## **Annex 53.3**

Figure 1. Rajin Port, Pier 1 is used for unloading vessels: Angara unloading containers there.

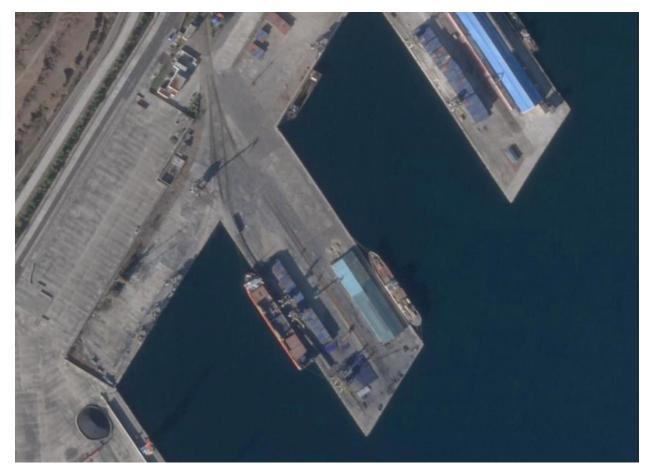


Source: Planet Labs.

Note increased size on 22 October of the seaward end (to-the-right) of the stack of containers on the pier, in comparison to the day before.

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Figure 2. Angara at Pier 2, Rajin Port, 23 October



Source: Planet Labs.

The red/orange moveable cover over *Angara*'s hold has been pulled back and blue and other-coloured containers can be seen in the hold.

# Annex 54: Maria's movements at Rajin Port and Konyushkovo Bay

Figure 1.

# Rajin Port, Pier 2

9-11 October: Containers are lined up and loaded onto the *Maria*. The changes to the alignment of the different-coloured containers demonstrates that loading is taking place on 11 October.



Source: Planet Labs.

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Figure 2.

# 11 October: Containers are loaded onto Maria



Source: Planet Labs.

12 October: All containers have been loaded onto *Maria*: None left on the pier.



Source: Planet Labs.

Figure 3.

# Konyushkovo Bay, 14 October

*Maria* laden with containers moored alongside pier. There were no containers onshore prior to its arrival.



16 October: Maria's cargo hull almost empty and containers stacked near main gate of facility



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## **Annex 55: Railway line running north from Rajin station** (see figure XIX in the main text)

The Panel noted in the body of this report that about 2.5km north of Rajin Station the railway line running north from Rajin Port enters a tunnel under a mountain (summit about 520m) and exits about 3.8km on the north side of the mountain. Satellite imagery of this mountain shows multiple entrances on the south side to probable underground sites Available images indicate that the construction of these discrete entrances started before 2008.

While access to some of the entrances appear to be controlled by gates, there appear to be no stronger security measures, such as perimeter fences, around these entrances. The Panel notes, however, that there are L-shaped paths bordered by high reinforced walls in front of some of them, perhaps to conceal them, to constrain the flow of people or vehicles to the entrance to enable controls, and possibly to guard against an assault.

# Annex 56: Media reports on the alleged DPRK arms and ammunitions found in Gaza Strip



Annotated image shows the likely DPRK-made F-7 rocket-propelled grenade launcher | Image: IDF Spokesperson, edited by Joost Olliemans



Annotated image shows the likely DPRK-made F-7 rocket-propelled grenade launcher | Image: Yoaz Vitun, YNet, edited by Joost Olliemans

Source: NK News, 13 October 2023,

accessed at https://www.nknews.org/2023/10/apparent-north-korean-weapons-used-by-hamas-but-dprk-denies/

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## Annex 57: Israel's reply to the Panel's enquiry

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## Hamas has various AT systems, including North Korean weapon systems

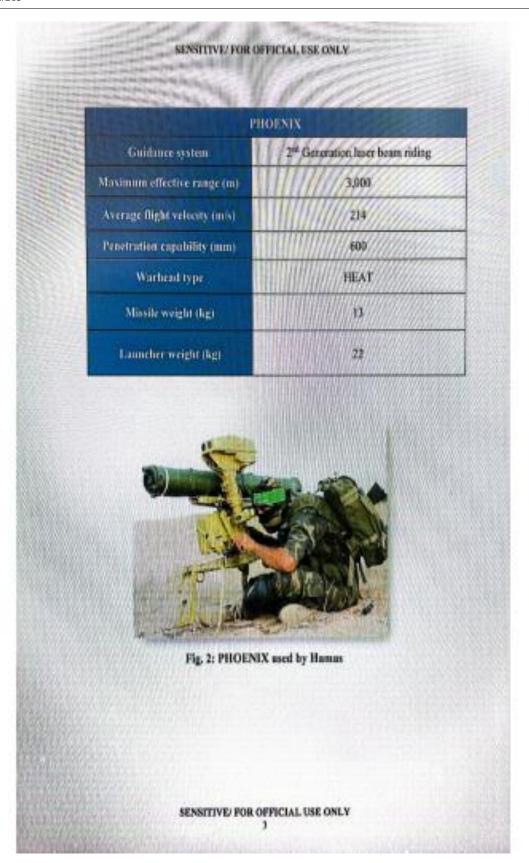
- Most of the existing AT weapon systems in the GS are indigenously produced "AI Yassin" PG-7 rockets; these rockets' are similar in appearance to the PG-7VR rockets. On October 7th 2023, during Hamas's infiltration into Israel, the operatives carried a large number of rockets of this type, differing in the main warhead type: PG-7VR with a double HEAT warhead (TANDEM); PG-7VR with a precursor warhead and a main thermobaric warhead. In addition, among the weapon systems were North Korean F-7 rockets (AP).
- Furthermore, regarding ATGM systems, Hamas has a very limited amount of long range AT missiles, which are mostly used for operations viewed as high-quality. Apart from the KORNET system, which is the main threat to IDF in the AT systems realm, Hamas has dozens of missiles of the North Korean PHOENIX system.
- The Annex shows the technical specifications of the North Korean AT weapon systems held by Hamas.

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	F-7	
Diameter (mm)	85	
Launcher marking	RPG-7 or TYPE-68/TYPE-68-1	
Fuse type	Inertial	
Rocket type	HE-FRAG (AP)	
Rocket weight (kg)		
HE types	TNT	
Firing configuration	Direct / high-trajectory	
Effective range (m)	200	
Maximum range (m)	500	
Warhead effectiveness radius (m)	10	
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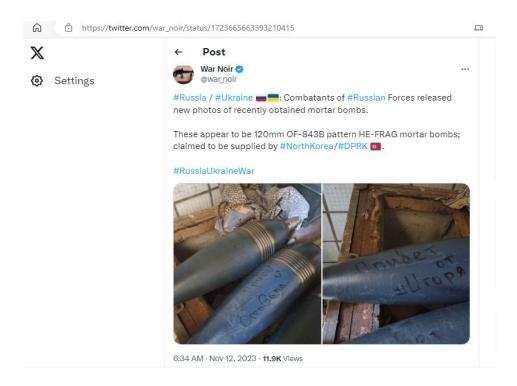




Russian soldier saying "North-Korean friends" supplies 122mm rockets, having better precision and firing range than Russia's. Screenshot from a Twitter video.

#### Source:

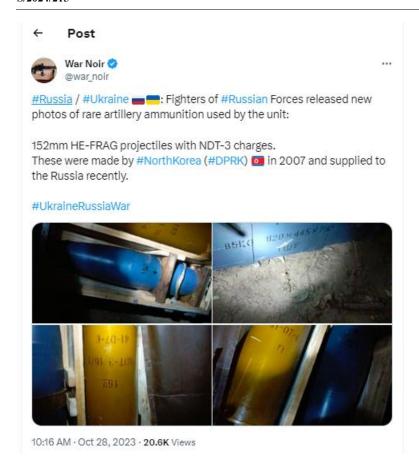
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#### Source:

twitter.com/war\_noir/status/1718270637079195908

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Source: https://twitter.com/war\_noir/status/1723665663393210415

Annex 59: List of DPRK Cyberthreat actors' malicious activities monitored by the Panel in 2023, based on the information provided by cybersecurity companies, Member States, and media

DPRK cyber actor	Report Name	Case Summary	Publication Month
Kimsuky	Malware Disguised as a Manuscript Solicitation Letter (Targeting Security-Related Workers	Kimsuky distributed document-type malware targeting security experts, which uses an external object within a Word document to execute an additional malicious macro (template Injection method).	January
TA444 (Overlaps with BlueNoroff)	ta444-apt-startup-aimed-at-your-funds	A TA444 Command and Control (C2) domain sent phishing emails to targets in the U.S. and Canada including education, government, healthcare, and finance verticals. The lure emails enticed users to click a 'SendGrid URL' which redirected victims to a credential harvesting page. This was reportedly a deviation from previous TA444 operations which typically involved the direct deployment of malware.	January
Lazarus Group	疑似 APT-C-26 (Lazarus)组织通过 加密货币钱包推广信息 进行攻击活动分析	Lazarus Group conducted an attack delivering malicious ISO files with the theme of cryptocurrency wallet promotion (Somora)	January
Kimsuky	Malware Disguised as Normal Documents (Kimsuky)	Same tactics used as in Malware Disguised as a Manuscript Solicitation Letter (Targeting Security-Related Workers; in this case, the threat actor used an image that prompts users to execute the macro.	February
Lazarus Group	Anti-Forensic Techniques Used By Lazarus Group	The Lazarus Group carried out anti-forensics to conceal their malicious activities. They transmitted a configuration file with C2 information and a PE file that communicates with the C2 server in encrypted forms to evade detection by security products. The encrypted files operate after being decrypted onto the memory by the loader file. They then receive additional files from the C2 and perform malicious actions.	February
Lazarus Group	no-pineapple-dprk- targeting-of-medical- research-and-technology- sector	The Lazarus Group targeted a manufacturer of technology used in energy, research, defense, and healthcare verticals, and the chemical engineering department of a research university between May and November 2022. The actors attacked an unnamed company that was	February

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ScarCruft	APT43: North Korean Group Uses Cybercrime to Fund Espionage Operations	exploited through CVE-2022-27925 and CVE-2022-37042, two bugs affecting the digital collaboration platform 'Zimbra'. The attackers used the bugs to gain access to the 'Zimbra' mail server, exfiltrating the contents of mailboxes, moved laterally to another vulnerable device on the same network and used malware to eventually steal 100GB of data.  ScarCruft has been observed using tools previously associated with other subordinate adversarial syndicates within RGB, such as the Lazarus Group. Attack chains mounted by ScarCruft involve spear-phishing emails containing tailored lures to entice victims. These messages are sent using spoofed and fraudulent personas that masquerade as key individuals within the target's area of expertise to gain their trust. ScarCruft also takes advantage of contact lists stolen from compromised individuals to identify more targets and steal cryptocurrency to fund its attack infrastructure. The stolen digital assets are then laundered using hash rental and cloud mining services to obscure the forensic	March
Kimsuky	CHM Malware Disguised as North Korea-related Questionnaire (Kimsuky)	Kimsuky distributed a CHM file as an email attachment, purporting to be an interview request about the DPRK. Once the recipient accepts the interview request, a password-protected compressed file is sent as an attachment.	March
Kimsuky	OneNote Malware Disguised as Compensation Form (Kimsuky)	Kimsuky distributed OneNote malware disguised as a form related to compensation. Once a user clicks on the script, the malicious VBS file is created and executed under the filename personal.vbs in a temporary directory to steal user information.	March
Kimsuky	Kimsuky Group Distributes Malware Disguised as Profile Template (GitHub)	Kimsuky distributed a malicious Word file disguised as a profile template from emails impersonating a well-known professor. A malicious VBA macro is contained within the Word file; upon being activated, it connects to a C2 server via PowerShell before downloading and executing an additional script that uses the GitHub API to transmit user information to a specified repository.	March

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Kimsuky	Kimsuky Group Uses  ADS to Conceal  Malware	Kimsuky used Alternate Data Stream (ADS) to hide their malware, an Infostealer that collects data by starting the VBScript included inside an HTML file.	March
Lazarus Group	CrowdStrike Prevents  3CXDesktopApp  Intrusion Campaign	The Lazarus Group compromised 3CX's desktop applications for Windows and MacOS and bundled them with malware, which led customers of 3CX to inadvertently download malicious versions of the software and allowed the attackers to run arbitrary code on all machines where the software was installed.	March
Kimsuky	apt43-north-korea- cybercrime-espionage	Kimsuky carried out spear-phishing attacks containing tailored lures to entice victim, using spoofed and fraudulent personas that masquerade as key individuals withing the target's areas of expertise to gain their trust. Kimsuky also took advantage of contact lists stolen from compromised individuals to identify more targets and steal cryptocurrency to fund its attack infrastructure. The stolen digital assets are then laundered using hash rental and cloud mining services to obscure the forensic trail and convert them into clean cryptocurrency.	March
BlueNoroff	bluenoroff-apt-targets- macos-rustbucket- malware/	BlueNoroff targeted macOS with 'RustBucket' malware to gather system information and to allow the attackers to perform various actions on the infected machines.	April
Lazarus Group	Linux malware strengthens links between Lazarus and the 3CX supply-chain attack	The Lazarus Group created a Linux payload with a bank-themed PDF lure.	April
Lazarus Group	Following the Lazarus group by tracking DeathNote campaign   Securelist	In an October 2019 - March 2022 campaign, dubbed 'DeathNote', the Lazarus Group used social engineering lures mimicking cryptocurrency businesses and defense contractors to trick victims into interacting with macro-laced Word attachments and PDF files. When the victims opened the file, the macro installed an obfuscated VBScript that extracted payloads in the form of harmful UltraVNC with backdoor capabilities that evade detection and establish a connection to a separate C2 server.	April

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Kimsuky	Kimsuky Group's Phishing Attacks Targeting North Korea- Related Personnel	Kimsuky created a webmail website that looks identical to certain national policy research institutes in the Republic of Korea to target DPRK-related business managers. When the user attempts to log into the webmail website, Kimsuky was able to harvest their account credentials.	May
Kimsuky	Kimsuky Group Using  Meterpreter to Attack  Web Servers	Kimsuky attacked a Windows IIS web server of a Republic of Korea construction company and executed a Powershell command that downloaded a malicious backdoor "img.dat" file, also known as Metasploit Meterpreter.	May
Lazarus Group	Lazarus Group Targeting Windows IIS Web Servers	The Lazarus Group attacked Windows IIS web servers through w3sp.exe. They placed a malicious DLL (msvcr100.dll) in the same folder as a normal application (Wordconv.exe) via the Windows IIS web server process, w3wp.exe. They then execute the normal application to initiate the execution of the malicious DLL.	May
Kimsuky	kimsuky-ongoing- campaign-using-tailored- reconnaissance-toolkit/	Kimsuky deployed a variant of the 'RandomQuery' malware via phishing emails to DPRK-focused information services, human rights activists, and DPRK defector support organizations. The Microsoft Compiled HTML Help (CHM) file attached to the phishing emails downloaded 'RandomQuery' from the Kimsuky-controlled C2 server to the victim's system to collect system data.	May
Kimsuky	kimsuky-evolves- reconnaissance- capabilities-in-new-global- campaign/	Kimsuky waged a phishing campaign inviting exchanges on current geopolitical issues, to lure targets globally and deployed a new reconnaissance tool, 'ReconShark,' which collects sensitive data and bypasses security mechanisms. The 'ReconShark' malware was activated when the target opened a downloaded document and enabled macros. 'ReconShark' stole data from infected systems, such as endpoint detection and response (EDR) mechanisms and sent the stolen data to a C2 C2 server via Windows Management Instrumentation (WMI).	May
DPRK cyber actors (suspected Kimsuky)	https://www.police.go.kr /viewer/skin/doc.html?fn =d6c2795c-3930-44ab- 970d- d2d7a14f9571.hwpx&rs =/viewer/202305	The National Police Agency (NPA) of the Republic of Korea announced the results of its investigations into a breach of a network of Seoul National University Hospital by DPRK cyberthreat actors. The incidents occurred between May and June 2021 and resulted in data exposure for 831,000 individuals, most of whom	May

	(see S/2023/656 Annex 65)	were patients. The NPA attributed the attack to DPRK cyber actors based on the information, including the intrusion techniques, the IP addresses that have been independently linked to DPRK threat actors, the website registration details, and the use of specific vocabulary only used in the DPRK.	
BlueNoroff	North Korea-Aligned TAG-71 Spoofs Financial Institutions in Asia and US	BlueNoroff spoofed several financial institutions and venture capital firms in Japan, Vietnam, and the United States in late 2022 and early 2023. Previous reporting also found similar activity, with DPRK cyberthreat actors spoofing domains belonging to financial firms located in a number of countries, as well as popular cloud services used by a large number of enterprises.	May
Lazarus Group	APT-C-26(Lazarus) 组织使用伪造 VNC 软 件的攻击活动分析	Lazarus Group was identified using fake ComcastVNC malware to launch attacks, followed by BlindingCan malware to steal user information.	June
Kimsuky	Kimsuky Strikes Again   New Social Engineering Campaign Aims to Steal Credentials and Gather Strategic Intelligence - SentinelOne	Kimsuky conducted a social engineering campaign targeting experts in DPRK issues to steal Google and subscription credentials of a reputable news and analysis service focusing on the DPRK, as well as deliver reconnaissance malware. Kimsuky also engaged in extensive email correspondence and used spoofed URLs, websites imitating legitimate web platforms and Office documents weaponized with the ReconShark malware. The activity indicates Kimsuky's growing dedication to social engineering and highlights the group's increasing interest in gathering strategic intelligence.	June
BlueNoroff	https://www.recordedfutur e.com/north-korea-aligned- tag-71-spoofs-financial- institutions	BlueNoroff carried out malicious cyber threat activity spoofing several financial institutions and venture capital firms in Japan, Vietnam, and the U.S. in late 2022 and early 2023.	June
Lazarus/ Kimsuky	https://www.qianxin.co m/threat/reportdetail?rep ort_id=295 https://www.qianxin.com /threat/reportdetail?repor t_id=292	In the first half of 2023, the Lazarus Group was ranked 7 <sup>th</sup> in attacks targeting China (focused on government and finance) and controlled 6% of Chinese IP addresses and 9% of Chinese C2 servers. Kimsuky controlled 3% of Chinese IP addresses and 4% of Chinese C2 servers and was ranked 9 <sup>th</sup> in attacks targeting China (focused on government, media, education, and finance).	July
ScarCruft	Detecting Ongoing STARK#MULE Attack Campaign Targeting Victims Using US Military Document Lures - Securonix	ScarCruft lured victims using U.S. military- related documents to run malware staged from legitimate compromised Republic of Korea websites. The goal seems to have been to spark the recipient's curiosity enough to have them	July

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		open the attached documents and inadvertently execute the contained malware.	
BlueNoroff	https://github.blog/2023- 07-18-security-alert- social-engineering- campaign-targets- technology-industry- employees/#indicators	A recent DPRK social engineering campaign perpetrated by BlueNoroff targets the personal accounts of employees of technology firms, using a combination of repository invitations and malicious npm package dependencies. Many of these targeted accounts are connected to the blockchain, cryptocurrency, or online gambling sectors.	July
DPRK cyberthreat actor	https://www.mandiant.c om/resources/blog/north -korea-supply-chain	The DPRK actors compromised a software service provider, JumpCloud, likely through a sophisticated spearphishing campaign.	July
Kimsuky	https://asec.ahnlab.com/ ko/55646/	Malicious cyber actors believed to be Kimsuky are distributuing malware disguised as cryptocurrency coin exchange and investment-related content. The malicious code is distributed in the form of executable files and word documents.	July
Kimsuky	Cyber attack confirmed to have been carried out by North Korea's 'Kimsuky' targeting ROK-US joint military exercises	The Gyeonggi Police Agency in the Republic of Korea, in coordination with the U.S., uncovered malicious cyberattacks by Kimsuky targeting the ROK-U.S. combined military exercise battle simulation center. Kimsuky carried out continuous spearphishing attacks on a ROK battle simulation company engaged in virtual war games and installed malicious code on the company's system in January 2023 by hijacking the email account of an administrative employee of the company. Then the actors sent malicious emails disguised as certificates of tax withheld to the employees dispatched to the ROK-U.S. combined military battle simulation center.	August
Lazarus Group	Lazarus Group exploits  ManageEngine vulnerability to deploy QuiteRAT	Lazarus Group has been targeting internet backbone infrastructure and healthcare entities in Europe and the United States. The actors exploited a ManageEngine ServiceDesk vulnerability (CVE-2022-47966) five days after PoCs for the exploit were publicly disclosed to deliver and deploy a newer malware threat "QuiteRAT."	August

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Lazarus	comrades-in-arms-north-korea-compromises-sanctioned-russian-missile-engineering-company/	The Lazarus Group compromised internal IT infrastructure of NPO Mashinostroyenia, a Russian defense sector company, likely between late 2021 and May 2022. A DLL file, an OpenCarrot Windows OS backdoor used by the Lazarus Group, was identified on multiple internal NPO Mash networks.	August
Lazarus Group	https://www.reversinglabs.com/blog/vmconnect-supply-chain-campaign-continues  https://www.reversinglabs.com/blog/vmconnect-malicious-pypi-packages-imitate-popular-open-source-modules	A Lazarus Group supply chain campaign effected by posting dozens of malicious Python packages to an open-source Python software repository, which served as a distribution point for the malware. The packages reportedly mimicked popular open-source Python tools.	August
DPRK cyber actors	Active North Korean campaign targeting security researchers	In January 2021, a DPRK cyber actor campaign was publicly disclosed, in which they used 0-day exploits to target security researchers working on vulnerability research and development. Over the past two and a half years, the campaign has continued. Recently, DPRK cyber actors were found to likely be responsible for a new, similar campaign, with at least one actively exploited 0-day being used to target security researchers in the past several weeks. DPRK threat actors used social media sites like X (formerly Twitter) to build rapport with their targets. After initial contact via X, they moved to an encrypted messaging app such as Signal, WhatsApp or Wire. Once a relationship was developed with a targeted researcher, the threat actors sent a malicious file that contained at least one 0-day in a popular software package. Upon successful exploitation, the shellcode conducts a series of anti-virtual machine checks and then sends the collected information, along with a screenshot, back to an attacker-controlled command and control domain. The shellcode used in this exploit is constructed in a similar manner to shellcode observed in previous North Korean exploits.	September
ScarCruft	threat inteligence report k onniapt.pdf	In one campaign, ScarCruft sent spearphishing emails with an attached compressed file that hid a LNK file inside, targeting DPRK human rights groups and people active in the unification field in the Republic of Korea. In another campaign, ScarCruft hid a LNK file inside a compressed	September

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		file, named 'securitymail.zip' and purporting to be a HTML web page file, which when opened prompted users to enter their passwords into a website purporting to be a bank secure login screen with the URL of "securitymail.html."	
DPRK cyber threat actors	http://english.chosun.co m/site/data/html_dir/202 3/09/07/2023090701108. html	DPRK hackers installed a backdoor and stole data, such as blueprints of super-mini satellite components, from Russian satellite company Sputnix OOO between January and March 2023.	September
ScarCruft	https://paper.seebug.org/ 3033/	ScarCruft was identified using the WinRAR vulnerability (CVE-2023-38831) to attack the cryptocurrency industry, a significant shift in the group's traditional targeting. ScarCruft used a malicious payload disguised as a wallet screenshot.	September
Lazarus Group	lazarus-luring-employees- trojanized-coding- challenges-case-spanish- aerospace-company/  Lazarus-campaigns-and- backdoors-in-2022- 2023.pdf	In one campaign, the Lazarus Group attacked a Spanish aerospace company, deploying several tools. Including a publicly undocumented backdoor, and obtained initial access to the company's network in 2022 through a spearphishing campaign as a fake recruiter via LinkedIn. Similarly, the Lazarus Group attacked aerospace companies in the Netherlands in October 2021 and a defense company in Poland in February 2023 via its "Operation Dream Job" campaign.	September/ October
Lazarus/ Andariel	https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/security/blog/2023/10/18/multiple-north-korean-threat-actors-exploiting-the-teamcity-cve-2023-42793-vulnerability/ https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/security/blog/2023/11/22/diamond-sleet-supply-chain-compromise-distributes-a-modified-cyberlink-installer/	The Lazarus Group and Andariel exploited a remote-code execution vulnerability (CVE-2023-42793) affecting the JetBrains TeamCity server, an application used for software development.	September/ October
All DPRK malicious cyber groups	north-korea-cyber- structure-alignment-2023	DPRK's offensive cyber program continues to evolve, showing that the DPRK government is determined to continue using cyber intrusions to conduct both espionage and financial crime to project power and to finance both their cyber and kinetic capabilities. DPRK threat activity continues to adapt and change to build tailored	October

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		malware for different platforms, including Linux and macOS.	
Lazarus/ Andariel/ BlueNoroff	security-insider/microsoft-digital-defense-report-2023?rtc=1	DPRK cyber threat actors pursue cyber operations to collect intelligence on the policy plans of their adversaries, gather intelligence about other countries' military capabilities to improve their own, and steal cryptocurrency to fund the state.	October
Lazarus Group	Lazarus Group's Operation Dream Magic - ASEC BLOG (ahnlab.com)  국정원 "北 보안인증 소프트웨어 '매직라인' 취약점 악용 해킹" 재경고   동아일보 (donga.com)	The Lazarus Group exploited vulnerable Republic of Korea websites with C2 to facilitate their attacks and implemented IP filtering for selective targeting, using the MagicLine program vulnerability.  The National Intelligence Service of the Republic of Korea confirmed in November 2023 that the Lazarus Group attacked approximately 50 public institutions, media, defense companies, and IT companies in the Republic of Korea in June 2023.	October/ November
Kimsuky	https://medium.com/s2w blog/fastviewer-variant- merged-with-fastspy- and-disguised-as-a- legitimate-mobile- application- f3004588f95c	Kimsuky has created a FastViewer variant that induces a victim to install the app onto their mobile device by disguising the malware as a legitimate Android application (APK file), such as Google Authenticator, an anti-virus program, or a payment service application. The FastViewer malware receives commands directly from the server without downloading additional malware, and the main purpose of this FastViewer variant is to steal information from infected devices. It appears that Kimsuky has developed this malware since at least July 2023 to target Republic of Korea victims. The report further notes that the disguised applications are expected to be distributed via spearphishing emails or smishing to trick targets into running them.(Annex 59.1)	October
Lazarus	https://www.hauri.co.kr/security/security.html	The Lazarus Group created malware by modifying open source software (such as PuTTY, KiTTY, TightVNC, Sumatra PDF Reader, muPDF/Subliminal Recording) and have also pretended to be recruiters on LinkedIn in order to target victims with malware. The actors likely intend at least some of this malware to target the cryptocurrency.	October
DPRK cyberthreat actor	국정원 "北, 김정은 군함 건조 지시에 국내 조선사 해킹 시도" (chosun.com)	DPRK cyberthreat actors conducted multiple hacking attempts on shipbuilders in the Republic of Korea in August and September 2023 to steal information that could be used to strengthen the DPRK's naval military power.	October

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DPRK cyberthreat actors	N. Korea tries to use artificial intelligence to write malicious software: U.S. official Yonhap News Agency (yna.co.kr)	According to a Member State, DPRK cyber actors have been observed trying to use AI models to help accelerate writing malicious software and finding systems to exploit.	October
Lazarus Group	https://www.elastic.co/se curity-labs/elastic- catches-dprk-passing- out-kandykorn	A novel DPRK intrusion has been identified on a macOS system that targets blockchain engineers of a crypto exchange platform, lures them with a Python application to gain initial access, and deploys multiple complex stages of the attack, each with deliberate defensive evasion techniques.	October
Lazarus Group	APT trends report Q3 2023   Securelist	The Lazarus Group targeted nuclear engineers and the defense industry, including manufacturers of radar system, unmanned aerial vehicles, military vehicles, ships, weaponry and maritime companies. The Lazarus Group obtained system access by manipulating job seekers on social media and messaging services, including Telegram and WhatsApp, into opening malicious apps for fake job interviews, using backdoored VNC apps and malware such as LPEClient and COPPERHEDGE.	October
Lazarus Group	A Cascade of Compromise: Kaspersky Exposes Lazarus' New Campaign Exploiting Legitimate Software Kaspersky	The Lazarus Group carried out a persistent campaign to compromise a software vender with the likely objective of stealing valuable source code or tampering with the software supply chain, along with targeting of other software makers and attacks on victims targeted through a supply chain attack of security software. The actors deployed SIGNBT and LPEClient.	October
Lazarus/ Andariel	https://twitter.com/MsftS ecIntel/status/172231601 9920728437	Lazarus/Andariel exploited CVE-2023-42793, a remote code execution vulnerability affecting multiple versions of the JetBrains TeamCity server and utilized different sets of tools and techniques.	November
DPRK cyber actors	보도자료 : HOME > 알림/소식 > 알림 > 보도자료 (police.go.kr)	The National Police Agency of the Republic of Korea found that DPRK cyber actors stole login information from 1,468 individuals between March and October 2023, including 57 incumbent or retired government officials in diplomacy, military, and national security. The DPRK actors attempted to steal virtual assets from 19 of the victims utilizing pilfered account credentials and engaged in cryptocurrency mining on 147 proxy servers they seized.	November
BlueNoroff	Microsoft: BlueNoroff hackers plan new crypto- theft attacks	BlueNoroff created new websites masquerading as skills assessment portals and targeted users on LinkedIn, enticing them with deceptive lures	November

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		related to a skills assessment which allowed BlueNoroff to harvest victims' information.	
Lazarus	Diamond Sleet supply chain compromise distributes a modified CyberLink installer Microsoft Security Blog	Lazarus modified a legitimate CyberLink application installer, hosted on legitimate CyberLink infrastructure and signed using a legitimate CyberLink certificate, to include malicious code. The malicious activity has impacted over 100 devices in multiple jurisdictions, including a number of countries in East Asia and North America.	November
ScarCruft	konni-campaign- distributed-via-malicious- document	ScarCruft deployed a Russian-language Word document equipped with a malicious macro, which when opened initiated VBA script that displays an article in Russian on the war in Ukraine. This campaign aims to extract information and execute commands on compromised devices.	November
BlueNoroff	bluenoroff-strikes-again- with-new-macos-malware/	A new later-stage malware variant from BlueNoroff was discovered. BlueNoroff reached out to a target claiming to be interested in partnering with or offering something beneficial under the guise of an investor or head hunter.	November
Lazarus Group	https://rt- solar.ru/events/news/3851/	The Lazarus Group was very active in the Russian Federation, attacking Russian government authorities. As of early November 2023, Lazarus Group hackers "still have access to a number of Russian systems."	November
Kimsuky	[Kimsuky] Operation Covert Stalker - ASEC BLOG (ahnlab.com)	Kimsuky distributed malware to the DPRK and foreign policy experts in the Republic of Korea over the previous 17 months. Kimsuky sent fake emails containing malicious links to these experts and hacks vulnerable websites to install remote management programs such as RDP Wrapper, Quasar RAT, Ammy RAT, AnyDesk, and/or Team Viewer in order to steal email accounts and/or information from the experts.	November
DPRK cyber actors	https://asec.ahnlab.com/ ko/58818/	DPRK cyber actors distributed malware (*.lnk) to experts on foreign policy and unification in the Republic of Kkorea via fake secure mail (HTML).	November
Andariel	https://asec.ahnlab.com/ en/59073/	Andariel distributed malware using a specific asset management program, which installed TigerRAT, NukeSped variants, BlackRAT, and Lilith RAT.	November
Andariel	https://asec.ahnlab.com/ ko/59130/	Andariel exploited Apache ActiveMQ remote code execution vulnerability(CVE-2023-46604).	November

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	https://asec.ahnlab.com/		
Kimsuky	en/59318/ 수입 신고서를 위장하여 국내 연구 기관을 노리는 Kimsuky	Kimsuky attacked research institutes in the Republic of Korea, distributing malicious JSE files disguised as realistic-looking import declarations, which installed a backdoor that the Kimsuly actors could later use to steal information.	November
DPRK cyberthreat actors, including Lazarus	https://medium.com/check marx-security/how-north- korea-is-compromising- supply-chains- df1532b29a49	DPRK cyber actors posed as employers to lure software developers, many linked to the cryptocurrency industry, into installing malware hosted on a GitHub repository through a job interview process.	November
Kimsuky	HWP 문서 내부에 악성 OLE 삽입 공격 FlowerPower APT 캠페인 Github C2 사용	Kimsuky distributed malware disguised as an interview invitation, where the actors attached malicious OLE (Object Linking and Embedding) in a hwp file with the FlowerPower tool.	November
DPRK cyber actors	https://unit42.paloaltonetw orks.com/two-campaigns- by-north-korea-bad-actors- target-job-hunters	DPRK cyber actors pose as employers, utilizing advertisements on job search platforms and potentially email, social media, or chat platforms, to lure software developers into installing malware (hosted on Github) through the interview process, providing the DPRK actors opportunity to steal intellectual property, funds, and/or other information. The investigation also identified two new malware families, BeaverTail and InvisibleFerret.	November
Lazarus Group	https://www.koreaherald .com/view.php?ud=2023 1201000614	The Lazarus Group hacked into the computer network of the Republic of Korea judiciary and stole electronic information, including trial records and lawsuit documents, amounting to up to hundreds of gigabytes.	December
Lazarus Group	疑似 Lazarus(APT-Q-1)涉及 npm 包供应链的攻击样本分析	A batch of Lazarus Group downloader samples was recently discovered, which are loaded through multiple layers of nested PE files and ultimately download a payload from a C2 server and execute it. Of note, one of the C2 server IP addresses was used by the Lazarus Group in a software supply chain attack, in which the malware was delivered disguised as an encryption-related npm package. Several of the C2 addresses identified appear to be linked to the cryptocurrency industry.	December
Kimsuky	Kimsuky Group Uses AutoIt to Create Malware (RftRAT, Amadey)	Kimsuky continues to deploy LNK-type malware, installing remote control malware to control the infected system after gaining initial access. Malware used by the Kimsuky group not only include custom-made such as AppleSeed and PebbleDash, but also opensource or commercial malware such as XRat,	December

		HVNC, Amadey, and Metasploit Meterpreter. After gaining control, Kimsuky ultimately uses RDP or installs Google's Chrome Remote Desktop to exfiltrate information from the infected system. Amadey and RftRAT were constantly used throughout 2023 alongside XRat. However, recent types showed that they were created with Autolt. Infostealers were additionally installed by the Kimsuky group using remote control malware. While remote control-type malware used by Kimsuky has continuously changed, the malware installed through these have not changed much in the attacks in 2023.	
BlueNoroff	bluenoroff-methods- bypass-motw/108383/	New BlueNoroff malware was identified inside a ZIP archive that contained a PDF file named "Crypto-assets and their risks for financial stability."	December
Kimsuky	https://asec.ahnlab.com/ en/60054/	Kimsuky continues to carry out spearphishing attacks in which the actors distribute malware (AppleSeed, developed with the Go languauge) disguised as JavaScript. Kimsuky also conducts C2communication via ChromeDP.	December
Lazarus Group	https://mp.weixin.qq.co m/s/f5YE12w3x3wad5E O0EB53Q https://blog.phylum.io/cryp to-themed-npm-packages- found-delivering-stealthy- malware/	Lazarus Group published multiple malicious packages on a repository for the JavaScript programming language, npm package manager.	December
Kimsuky	북한 시장 물가 분석 문서 등으로 위장된 공격 사례 (genians.co.kr)	Kimsuky continues to attack via malware (OLE) disguised as HWP and HWPX files, which are widely used in the Republic of Korea. Kimsukyalso utilized LNK, DOCX, and XLSX files in an attempt to increase the effectiveness of its attacks.	December
Andariel	https://www.koreatimes. co.kr/www/nation/2023/ 12/103_364423.html	Andariel attacked multiple telecommunications companies, research institutions, universities, IT and defense industry and financial companies in the Republic of Korea and stole 1.2TB of information, including sensitive data on surface-to-air laser weapon system.	December

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Source: Cybersecurity companies' reports, Member States, and media reports

<sup>\*</sup>The Panel would like to note that this is not an exhaustive list of cases, but rather cases of interest.

### Annex 59.1: Additional information on Kimsuky

According to a cybersecurity company, the IP address of the Kimsuky server hosting this malware is <a href="mailto:144.76.109.61">144.76.109.61</a> and the IP address of another, related server hosting the Kimsuky-controlled domain civilarys[.]store is <a href="mailto:27.255.81.77">27.255.81.77</a>. Kimsuky-related email accounts associated with this campaign include <a href="mailto:luckgpu@gmail.com">luckgpu@gmail.com</a> and abdulsamee7561[@gmail.com. The malicious applications were likely distributed via spearphishing or smishing.

Source: A cyber security company

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### Annex 60: ROK – UK Joint Cyber Security Advisory (23 November 2023)



# DPRK state-linked cyber actors conduct software supply chain attacks

## Overview

The National Intelligence Service (NIS) of the Republic of Korea (ROK) and the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) of the United Kingdom (UK) have identified Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) state-linked cyber actors targeting software supply chain products, widely used by government organisations, financial institutions and defence industry companies globally.

The NIS and the NCSC are releasing this joint Cybersecurity Advisory (CSA) to help prevent compromise and raise public awareness. It includes DPRK state-linked cyber actors' tactics, techniques and procedures (TTPs) used in their global supply chain attacks, as well as preventative measures to help avoid such attacks.

#### **Further Details**

In recent years, supply chain attacks from DPRK state-linked cyber actors have steadily increased in volume and have become more sophisticated. The malicious actors utilise tactics including zero-day attacks and multiple exploits to attack software supply chain products, used by a number of international organisations.

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The NIS and the NCSC consider these supply chain attacks to align and considerably assist with the fulfilment of wider DPRK state priorities. This includes revenue generation and espionage, with the theft of advanced technologies across a range of sectors, including but not limited to defence.

Supply chain attacks are a highly effective means of compromising numerous wellprotected, high-profile targets. Several elements of the supply chain have proved susceptible to compromise, including software vendors, managed service providers and cloud providers. From here, an actor can indiscriminately target a number of organisations and users, and their attacks can be expanded or shifted to a ransomware attack to demand money or cause a system disruption.

It can be hard to detect these attacks as the actors are using legitimate software and hardware.

With the level of the threat likely to increase, organisations should establish and put in place relevant security measures to safely manage the security of the products and to build resilience to attacks.



### **Technical Details**

For software supply chain attacks, DPRK state-linked cyber actors have used zero-day exploits and newly published vulnerabilities and tools, as well as exploited multiple vulnerabilities in series, to precisely attack a specific target.

Below are recent supply chain attacks conducted by DPRK-based actors, detailing their attack flow and modi operandi.

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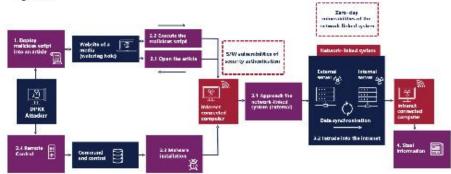


### Attacks on various supply chain products, using zero-day vulnerabilities:

In March 2023, cyber actors used the software vulnerabilities of security authentication and network-linked systems in series to gain unauthorised access to the intranet of a target organisation. It used a software vulnerability of the MagicLine4NX security authentication program for the initial intrusion into an internet-connected computer of the target, and exploited a zero-day vulnerability of the network-linked system to move laterally and gain unauthorised access to information.

The attack flow below shows the procedure of serial complex attacks on two supply chain products:

Figure 1.



#### Attack Flow:

- The cyber actors compromised the website of a media outlet, deployed malicious scripts into an article and created a watering hole. The malicious scripts were implemented to work when certain IP ranges were connected.
- 2. When victims opened the infected article from an internet-connected computer,

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which was installed with the vulnerable security authentication software, the vulnerable software executed the malicious code. The victim computer then connected to the command and control (C2), and the attackers used the C2 to achieve remote control over the infected computer.

- 3. The actors were able to access an internet-side server from an internet-connected PC without permission through a network-linked system vulnerability, and exploit the data synchronisation function of the network-linked system to spread malicious code to the business side server. The actors then compromised the business PC with malicious code to steal information.
- 4. Malicious code installed on the business PC had two C2 servers, the first of which was the business side server of the network-linked system, which acts as a gateway in the middle, while the second C2 is located on the external internet. This malicious code was able to exfiltrate initial beacon data and download and execute encrypted payloads. The malicious code then attempted to move from the internal server of the network-linked solution to the external server to send the initial beacon to the C2 server, but was blocked by the security policy of the solution. If it hadn't been blocked, large amounts of information stored in the internal network could have been leaked.

See the IoC section for C2 server, MD5 hashes, encryption algorithms, and file certificates. Further detailed information on the security authentication software attack can be found on the <a href="English">English</a> and <a href="Korean">Korean</a> language blogs by Ahnlab.

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### **Summary and Preventative Measures**

The cyber actors initially employed a watering-hole attack to secure target groups, and conducted additional attacks on specific targets. The compromise of one supply chain led to the infection of another supply chain, which was a targeted attack against a specific target. The malicious actors used highly sophisticated modus operandi by exploiting an undisclosed vulnerability of the network-linked system and a legitimate function for intrusion into the intranet.

System owners should check whether a vulnerable version of software is on the list of installed programs, and update the software to the latest version.

MagicLine4NX 1.0.0.1 ~ 1.0.0.26 were vulnerable.

Organisations should make sure they control access to the administrator page of the network-linked system, and identify any unauthorised services or communications.

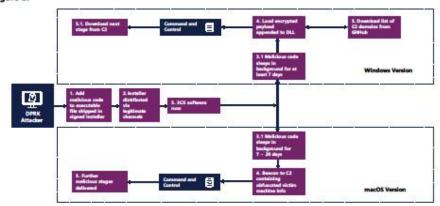
Further detailed information about how to check the vulnerable version can be found on the ROK NCSC website.

### The compromise of 3CX

In March 2023, it was widely reported by both SentinelOne and Sophos that the Desktop App software distributed by 3CX had been compromised and contained malware affecting both macOS and Windows operating systems. This constituted a significant global supply chain attack. The security incident was later confirmed by 3CX.



Figure 2.



In June 2023 the UK NCSC published a <u>malware analysis report</u> on the macOS malware used in the 3CX supply chain attack, named Smooth Operator

#### Attack Flow Windows version

- The cyber actors added malicious code to an executable file that shipped within a signed installer for 3CX software.
- 2. The application was distributed to customers via legitimate channels. It is now known that the cyber actors had compromised the 3CX network and therefore were in a position to compromise the build process of the 3CX software.
- When the 3CX software was run, the malicious code would sleep in the background for at least 7 days and the 3CX software would continue to run as normal.
- 4. After the sleep period, the malicious code loaded an encrypted payload which is

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appended to a DLL also packaged within the 3CX software.

This payload is responsible for downloading a list of actor-controlled C2 domains from a GitHub repository, then reaching out to one of them to download the next stage.

The only observed onward stage was a browser stealer, which would extract and exfiltrate basic victim system data, victim 3CX account information and browser history from the Brave, Chrome, Edge and Firefox browsers.

Further detailed information on the Windows attack can be found in the industry from ESET and Sophos.

#### Attack Flow macOS version

- The cyber actors added malicious code to an executable file that shipped within the signed and notarised 3CX application.
- The application was distributed to customers via legitimate channels. It is now known that the cyber actors had compromised the 3CX network and were therefore in a position to compromise the build process of the 3CX software.
- When the 3CX software was run, the malicious code slept in the background for between 7 and 20 days, while the 3CX software continued to run as normal.
- 4. After the sleep period, the malicious code beaconed to an actor-controlled C2 server using a customised obfuscation method. The beacon contained basic victim machine information.

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5. The C2 server can deliver further malicious stages to be run by the victim machine, but the only observed additional stage collects 3CX account information from a configuration file on the victim machine and exfiltrates this to an actor-controlled C2 server.

Further detail about the macOS attack can be found in the NCSC malware analysis report

### **Summary and Preventative Measures**

In April 2023 the NCSC published advice on its website regarding the <u>3CX Desktop App</u> security issue.

The negative impact was limited because the malicious update was quickly detected by endpoint detection and response solutions.

This advisory encourages organisations to follow the advice published by the vendor to uninstall the software if you are running an affected version.



### Mitigation

As supply chain attacks can happen at any scale and any point, a wide range of measures should be established. The NIS and the NCSC recommend implementing the mitigations below, relating to the supply chain life cycle, as well as management and technical security measures, to deter supply chain threats.

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#### Management Security Measures

- Raise your organisation's awareness of supply chain cyber security, and promote understanding of the issue.
- Provide training on cyber security on a regular basis to help members of your organisation spot malicious tactics and attacks, and report them.
- Identify threats to your organisation's supply chain. Determine threat priorities, and assess impacts when malicious cyber activity occurs, in order to eliminate the blind spot.
- Check the access point to critical data and identify members and supply entities who have the authority to access to minimise access privileges.

#### **Technical Security Measures**

- Make sure you install security updates to maintain the most recent version of software, operating systems and anti-virus, to mitigate threats from known vulnerabilities.
- Adopt two-factor authentication for the administration and operation login policies, to prevent unauthorised logins from unauthorised users. The UK NCSC articles <u>Multi-factor authentication for online services</u> and <u>Device Security</u> <u>Guidance</u> provide relevant advice.
- Monitor network infrastructure so that traffic from supply chain software applications is trusted but any anomalous traffic can be detected.
- · Refer to the following articles in order to mitigate security threats posed to the

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supply chain.

- 1. Understand of Supply Chain Attack by the ROK NCSC
- 2. Assess Supply Chain Cyber Security by the UK NCSC
- 3. Principles of Supply Chain Security by the UK NCSC
- 4. Securing the Software Supply Chain: Recommended Practices for Software Bill of Materials Consumption by the US CISA and NSA
- 5. Cyber Supply Chain Risk Management (C-SCRM) by the US NIST
- The Minimum Elements for a Software Bill of Materials (SBOM) by the US NTIA

### Reporting Incidents

If you suspect your organisation has been compromised:

Organisations in the ROK should contact the National Intelligence Service (NIS) (https://www.nis.go.kr; Contact number 111)

Organisations in the UK should contact the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) via

Report a Cyber Incident (<u>https://report.ncsc.gov.uk</u>)

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### Indicators of Compromise (IoC)

### Attacks on various supply chain products, using zero-day vulnerabilities

Section	loC	Note
C2	[C2 URL]/search/sch-result3.asp	HTTPS communication
Decryption	0x0c2a351837454a2661026f162530361a394e1d143334	ChaCha20 Key1
key	0x0102350423062f085c000e02	ChaCha20 Key2
MD5	316c088874a5dfb8b8c1c4b259329257	Downloader (SamsungDeviceControlexe)
hashes	33ca34605e8077047e30e764f5182df0	Downloader (SamsungDevicePanel.exe)
	Samsung SDS Co., Ltd.	Entity
Rogue certificate	0139981ad983bf73e9514d2d4237929e	Serial no.
ceruncate	2022.12.13~2023.07.20	Start date to expiration date

### The compromise of 3CX, macOS version

Section	loC	Note
	https://msstorageazure[.]com/analysis	
	https://officestoragebox[.]com/api/biosync	
	https://visualstudiofactory[.]com/groupcore	
	https://azuredeploystore[.]com/cloud/images	
C2	https://msstorageboxes[.]com/xbox	
	https://officeaddons[.]com/quality	
	https://sourceslabs[.]com/status	
	https://zacharryblogs[.]com/xmlquery	
	https://pbxcloudeservices[.]com/network	

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	https://akamaitechcloudservices[.]com/v2/fileapi	
	https://azureonlinestorage[.]com/google/storage	
	https://msedgepackageinfo[.]com/ms-webview	
	https://glcloudservice[.]com/v1/status	
	https://pbxsources[.]com/queue	
	https://sbmsa[.]wiki/blog/_insert	Exfiltration URL
	msstorageazure[.]com	
	officestoragebox[.]com	
	visualstudiofactory[.]com	
	azuredeploystore[.]com	
	msstorageboxes[.]com	
	officeaddons[.]com	
	sourceslabs[.]com	
	zacharryblogs[.]com	
	pbxcloudeservices[.]com	
	pbxphonenetwork[.]com	
	akamaitechcloudservices[.]com	
	azureonlinestorage[.]com	
	msedgepackageinfo[.]com	
	glcloudservice[.]com	
	pbxsources[.]com	
	sbmsa[.]wiki	Exfiltration domain
	d5101c3b86d973a848ab7ed79cd11e5a	3CX DMG
Malicious Code	660ea9b8205fbd2da59fefd26ae5115c	3CX dylib, libffmpeg.dylib
(MD5)	5faf36ca90f6406a78124f538a03387a	Smooth Operator second-stage payload, UpdateAgent

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	3dc840d32ce86cebf657b17cef62814646ba8e98	3CX DMG
Malicious Code	769383fc65d1386dd141c960c9970114547da0c2	3CX dylib, libffmpeg.dylib
(SHA1)	9e9a5f8d86356796162cee881c843cde9eaedfb3	Smooth Operator second-stage payload, UpdateAgent
	e6bbc33815b9f20b0cf832d7401dd893fbc467c8007 28b5891336706da0dbcec	3CX DMG
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Malicious Code	a64fa9f1c76457ecc58402142a8728ce34ccba378c1 7318b3340083eeb7acc67	3CX dylib, libffmpeg.dylib
Code	7318b3340083eeb7acc67 6c121f2b2efa6592c2c22b29218157ec9e63f385e7a	libffmpeg.dylib Smooth Operator second-stage payload,

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Source: National Intelligence Service website, 보도자료 상세 | 소식 · 정보 | NIS 국가정보원

### Annex 61: National Intelligence Service of the Republic of Korea Press Release on DPRK Cyberthreat Actors' Attacking Shipbuilding Companies in the Republic of Korea (August 2023)





### 국정원, '북한의 조선업계 대상 해킹 확산' 주의 당부

- 북한, 해군 무력 강화 및 선박공업 발전을 중요 노선으로 제시
- 北 해킹조직의 국내 주요 조선환 대상 '수차례 해킹 시도 정황' 포착
- 업계 대상 '해킹 확산세 경고 불분명 이메일 열람 금지' 등 보안 감화 단부

국가정보원은 최근 북한이 해군 군사력 강화를 위해 우리 조선업체를 대상으로 집 중적으로 해킹 공격을 벌이고 있다며, 관련 업계에 주의 당부에 나섰다.

국정원은 지난 8~9월간 北 해킹조직이 유수의 조선업체들을 상대로 공격을 시 도한 사례를 여러 건 포착했다고 밝혔다.

北 해킹조직이 주로 사용한 해킹 수법은 △IT유지보수업체 PC를 접거, 우회 침투 하거나 스내부직원 대상 피상메일을 유포한 후 악성코드를 설치하는 것이었다.

국정원은 北 해킹조직들이 우리 조선업제를 집중 공격하는 것은 김정은의 중대 형 군함 건조 지시 때문으로 판단하고, 앞으로도 北의 공격 주세는 지속될 것으로 내다보면서 주요 조선업체 및 선박 부품 제조업체 등 관련 기업 관계자들의 철저한 보안관리를 당부했다.

국정원은 현재 해당업체에 관련 사실을 통보하고 보안대책을 지원중에 있으며, 예상 공격 타깃인 주요 조선업체에도 자체 보안점검을 요청했다.

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DPRK cyber actors conducted multiple hacking attempts on shipbuilding companies in the Republic of Korea in August and September 2023. The attackers sought access to the companies' systems by compromising IT maintenance suppliers and/or through spearphishing.

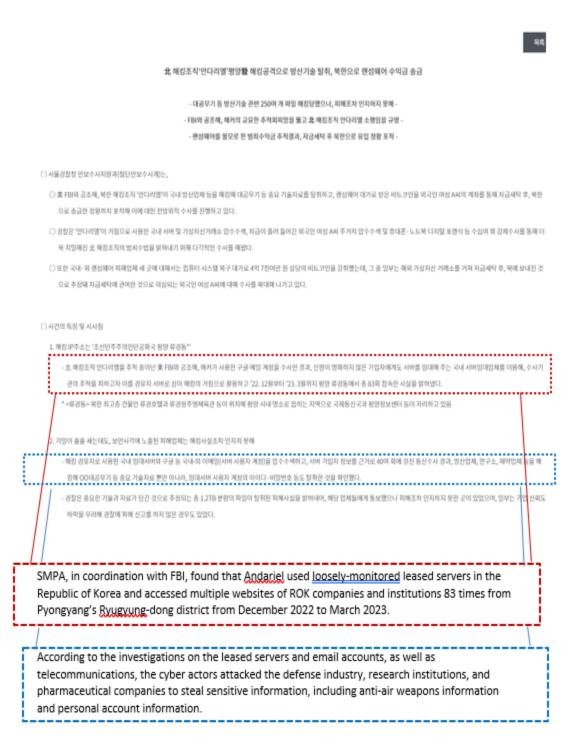
The NIS assessed that Kim Jong Un's order to build medium-to-large military ships was behind such. an intensive campaign, warning that the cyberattacks could continue.

24-02094 347/615 세부적으로 ①업무망・인터넷망 분리 ②유지보수업체・고객사간 원격 접속용 프로그램 문제점 점검 ③불분명한 이메일・웹사이트 열람 금지 등을 제시하고, 국가사이버안보센터(NCSC) 홈페이지에 게재된 예방법을 참고할 것을 덧붙였다.



Source: https://www.nis.go.kr/CM/1\_4/view.do?seq=250

# Annex 62<sup>230</sup>: Seoul Metropolitan Police Agency of the Republic of Korea Press Release on Andariel's cyberhacking campaign in December 2023



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>230</sup> One member of the Panel is of the view that the information in this annex should be further corroborated.

3. 괜성웨어" 몸값으로 받은 비트교인 범죄수익금의 자금세탁 종로 규명

·또한, 언다리엘이 유포한 막성 현상웨어의 몸값으로 피해업체가 지불한 비트코인의 자금 효율에 대해서도 맛변, 바이센스 등 국내·의 거래소 거래세역을 압수해 분석한 결과,

· 강취된 네트코인 중 입부가 외국인 여성 A#\*\*의 계좌를 거쳐 중국 묘냉성에 소재한 중국 K은행으로 약 63인 위인(L약 전단 원 성당)의 송금했고, 이 톤이 복·중 집경지역에 위치판 K은행 자장에 시 출금한 것으로 보아 경찰은 해당 자궁이 북한으로 훈격 들어간 것으로 추정하고 있다.

이에 A씨를 회의자로 입건하고 금융계획, 용대폰, 추거자 등에 대해 동시다발적으로 입수수세을 전쟁해 5만이 건의 화원을 압수, 언디리앨의 자급세탁에 관여했는지 여부에 대해 심증 <mark>조</mark>사 중에 있다.

\*\* <펜성웨어> 컴퓨터 시스템을 감염시킨 후, 이를 인질로 참여 '접근권원을 다시 얻고 싶으면 암호육 화배 등 용값을 내놓으라'고 접어하는 것.

\*\*\* <A써 진술> 제거 용공 소재 환전업체 직원으로 근무시, 문의상 본인계좌를 거래에 제공해준 것인 뿐더라며 연루 매우 등 혐의를 부인하고 있음

#### 지내 예방 조치 및 함후 계위

- 서울경찰청 만보수사지원과는 이번 사건에서 확인된 해외 공격·피해지, 관련자에 대해 素 FBI 등 관계기관과 학극적으로 공조수차를 진행하는 한편, 추가 피해 시해 및 유사 해정 시도 가능함에 대해 서도 계속 수사철 계획이다.
- 여역 병명에, 피해임제를 대상으로 보면 취약점 점검 및 최신 버전의 보면 소프트웨어 임대이트, 개인정보물 포함한 중요 전신 자료 영호화 등 주가 피해 예정을 위한 보면 조치를 강조하는 현존, 국내사와 임대업체 됨을 대상으로 스사용하자 않는 포트 점속 폐쇄 소비명면호 패턴 변경 등을 보면 분고사항을 성명했다.
- 어울래, 현재 신원이 명확하지 않은 가입자에게도 서버 임대가 가능해 임대 서버들이 범죄에 활용되고 있는 안큼, 관련 서버 임대암체들에 대해서도 지속적인 수사를 진행할 예상이다.

SMPA <u>analysed</u> the flow of Bitcoin which the compromised companies paid to <u>Andariel</u> after the ransomware attacks. Some of the Bitcoin had been sent to a bank account of a foreign national, from which CNY 630,000 (USD 88,700) was deposited and finally withdrawn at a bank in Liaoning Province, China. SMPA assumes that the withdrawn cash was brought back to the DPRK.

Source: Seoul Metropolitan Police Agency, 서울경찰청 (smpa.go.kr)

Annex 63: Member States' publication, "Additional Guidance on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Information Technology Workers"





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October 18, 2023

### Additional Guidance on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Information Technology Workers

The United States (U.S.) and the Republic of Korea (ROK) are updating previous warnings and guidance to the international community, the private sector, and the public to better understand and guard against the inadvertent recruitment, hiring, and facilitation of Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK, a.k.a. North Korea) information technology (IT) workers. In 2022, the U.S. and ROK Government issued public advisories to provide detailed information on how DPRK IT workers operate, and identified red flag indicators and due diligence measures to help companies avoid hiring DPRK freelance developers and to help freelance and digital payment platforms identify DPRK IT workers abusing their services.

This update identifies new tradecraft used by DPRK IT workers since the release of the 2022 advisories, including new indicators of potential DPRK IT worker activity and additional due diligence measures the international community, private sector, and public can take to prevent the hiring of DPRK IT workers. The hiring or supporting of DPRK IT workers continues to pose many risks, ranging from theft of intellectual property, data, and funds, to reputational harm and legal consequences, including sanctions under U.S., ROK, and United Nations (UN) authorities.

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### Additional Red Flag Indicators of Potential DPRK IT Worker Activity:

- Unwillingness or inability to appear on camera, conduct video interviews or video meetings; inconsistencies when they do appear on camera, such as time, location, or appearance.
- Undue concern about requirements of a drug test or in person meetings and having the inability to do so.
- Indications of cheating on coding tests or when answering employment questionnaires and interview questions. These can include excessive pausing, stalling, and eye scanning movements indicating reading, and giving incorrect yet plausible-sounding answers.
- Social media and other online profiles that do not match the hired individual's provided resume, multiple online profiles for the same identity with different pictures, or online profiles with no picture.
- Home address for provision of laptops or other company materials is a freight forwarding address or rapidly changes upon hiring.
- Education on resume is listed as universities in China, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia, or other Asian countries with employment almost exclusively in the United States, the Republic of Korea, and Canada.
- Repeated requests for prepayment; anger or aggression when the request is denied.
- Threats to release proprietary source codes if additional payments are not made.
- Account issues at various providers, change of accounts, and requests to use other freelancer companies or different payment methods
- Language preferences are in Korean but the individual claims to be from a non-Korean speaking country or region.

# Additional Due Diligence Measures Clients Seeking Freelance Workers Can Consider to Prevent Inadvertent or Unwitting Hiring of DPRK IT Workers:

- If using third party staffing firms or outsourcing companies, request documentation of their background check processes. If this cannot be readily provided by a company, assume it did not conduct the background check and conduct your own.
- If using a staffing company or third-party software developers for IT work, conduct due diligence checks on the individuals the company provides to you for work. Even if you conduct a background on a company, you may not fully understand their background check process.
- Do not accept background check documentation provided by untrusted or unknown authorities. Provide them a release form that allows you to conduct the background check on their behalf instead of having a background check completed by their local authorities.
- Request voided checks or certified documentation from their financial institution with their account information.
- Verify check numbers and routing numbers match an actual bank and do not belong to a money service business. Money service businesses use receiving depository financial institutions (RDFIs), which provide checking and routing information mirroring that of actual banking information.

- Keep records, including recordings of video interviews, of all interactions with potential employees.
- Prevent remote desktop protocol from being used on all company devices and prohibit using remote desktop applications for work.
- Lock down all administrative permissions and install insider threat monitoring software on company devices.
- Require signature delivery for company devices and ensure devices are not mailed to addresses other than designated work locations.
- Require notarized proofs of identity.
- During video verification, require individuals to physically hold driver's licenses, passports, or identification documents up to camera. Consider having them show their location by having the camera directed outside.
- Regularly geo-locate company laptops to verify they match the logins of employees' addresses.
- Require freelancers to shut off commercial VPNs when accessing company networks.
- Use Zero Trust and Need-to-Know policies. Avoid granting access to proprietary information, if possible.
- Use only reputable online freelance platforms that offer robust measures to verify identities and qualifications of freelance workers.
- Avoid recruiting freelance workers directly through online IT competitions and apply reinforced measures to verify their identities.

### REPORTING

The FBI urges victims of DPRK IT Workers, or those who suspect they may have been victimized, to report the suspicious activity to the FBI Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) at <u>ic3.gov</u>.

The ROK government requests suspicious activity be reported to the National Intelligence Service (www.nis.go.kr, 111) and the National Police Agency (ecrm.police.go.kr, 112).

### REFERENCE

The original advisory, titled "Guidance on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Information Technology Workers," can be found <u>here</u>.

The original advisory issued by the ROK government can be found in English <u>here</u> and in Korean <u>here</u>.

For additional information from the Cyber Threat Intelligence Integration Center in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, please also see "North Korean Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures for Revenue Generation," found here.

Source: <a href="https://www.ic3.gov/Media/Y2023/PSA231018">https://www.ic3.gov/Media/Y2023/PSA231018</a> and <a href="https://www.mofa.go.kr/www/brd/m\_4080/view.do?seq=374218&page=1">https://www.mofa.go.kr/www/brd/m\_4080/view.do?seq=374218&page=1</a>

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### Annex 64: Summary of recent DPRK IT worker tactics, techniques, and procedures<sup>231</sup>

A Member State reported DPRK IT workers are changing tactics,<sup>232</sup> and now offer to provide free services to build trust, seek long-term contracts, target small companies with fewer hiring requirements, reach out offering their skills to cryptocurrency industry companies and/or community chat rooms via social media instead of using freelance platforms, and increasingly seek lucrative web3, blockchain, smart contracts, and cryptocurrency projects. During their work, IT workers reportedly find vulnerabilities to exploit and/or build vulnerabilities into platforms and smart contracts to steal funds, and are suspected of conducting several smaller cryptocurrency heists this year (see Annexes 89-90). IT workers also reportedly monitor vulnerability reports released on platforms such as Github and/or participate in white hat competitions online to identify cryptocurrency-related vulnerabilities,<sup>233</sup> and then steal funds before vulnerabilities can be patched.

According to one former DPRK IT worker, the workers use local facilitators to consolidate their earnings into bank accounts in the facilitators' names, after which the money is used to purchase items requested by the regime, such as refined petroleum and computers, and sent to the DPRK. Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, some IT teams reportedly transferred their cash earnings to the DPRK via diplomatic pouch.

In November 234 and December 235 2023, cybersecurity companies released detailed reports on DPRK IT workers seeking unauthorized employment with organizations around the world to generate revenue and engage in espionage. To do so, DPRK IT workers maintain resumes with fake identities, impersonating individuals of various jurisdictions, targeting a wide range of companies and freelance job marketplaces (see figure 1). DPRK IT workers develop multiple personas, each with accounts for email, employment websites, messaging platforms, and software development platforms. Certain aspects of online profiles can be up-to-date and have a lengthy activity history, appearing legitimate (see figure 2), although personas may lack social media accounts and details may be inconsistent across platforms (see figure 3). The IT workers have also reportedly "sought to purchase or borrow accounts with a high reputation in account seller marketplaces." 236 A freelance job platform provided the Panel with a list of email addresses associated with DPRK IT workers (see figure 4).

A freelance platform that has been used by DPRK IT workers to obtain jobs reported that DPRK IT workers are aided in establishing accounts by a number of illicit services available on the internet, including websites that generate photo-realistic identity documents, skills certifications, utility bills, and bank statements, some of which are rendered from computer-aided design (CAD) models; platform account resale services; and proxy email and SMS platforms (see figures 5 and 6). DPRK IT workers have reportedly used generative artificial intelligence (AI) to generate profile images <sup>237</sup> and descriptions. According to a Member State, DPRK IT workers are also using ChatGPT to develop answers to coding and other questions during job interviews, potentially among other uses (see para. 145). In 2024, the freelance platform expects to see additional uses of AI, such as real-time high-definition generative AI video avatars, face-swapping applications and full body animation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>231</sup> Most DPRK IT workers are subordinate to the Munitions Industry Department (KPe.028). See S/2023/656 paras 133-135, S/2023/171 paras 123 and 132, S/2022/668 para 121, S/2021/211 summary and para 124, S/2020/840 paras 106-111 and 113 and Annex 47, S/2020/131 paras 120-127 and S/2019/691 paras 41-42.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>232</sup> Partly in response to technology companies adopting stricter hiring practices such as requiring a video call or in-person interview for jobs as well as reducing the number of fully-telework positions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>233</sup> DPRK IT workers also reportedly participate in these competitions to increase the number of their followers, allowing them to win lucrative freelance contracts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>234</sup> https://unit42.paloaltonetworks.com/two-campaigns-by-north-korea-bad-actors-target-job-hunters/. According to Reuters, a DPRK IT worker who recently defected examined the documents and confirmed their authenticity, noting "we would create 20 to 50 fake profiles a year until we were hired." (https://www.reuters.com/technology/north-koreans-use-fake-names-scripts-land-remote-it-work-cash-2023-11-21/).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>235</sup> https://www.nisos.com/research/dprk-it-worker-scam/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>236</sup> https://unit42.paloaltonetworks.com/two-campaigns-by-north-<sup>korea</sup>-bad-actors-target-job-hunters/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>237</sup> Unlike using a stock photo or stealing photos of a real <sup>person</sup> from their social media or other accounts (both of which are methods that have been employed by DPRK IT workers), AI-generated photos would not be findable through an image search – and therefore could appear completely legitimate to a company conducting know-your-customer/customer-due-diligence checks.

The freelance platform further that assessed that the overwhelming majority of 'skilled' freelance crypto programmer profiles on the internet are fake, and likely are in actuality DPRK IT workers, given that highly skilled freelance programmers with computer security and crypto experience are extremely rare. The company also suspects that smaller, crypto-specific job marketplaces that have appeared over the past several years may have been established by the DPRK actors directly to solicit crypto-related projects directly from clients without the trouble of trying to establish accounts on the major freelance platforms – or at the very least are "completely overrun" with DPRK IT worker 'mule' accounts.

Figure 1: DPRK IT worker falsified resumes and freelance job platform message



BLOCKCHAIN & PYTHON & CHATBOT ENGINEER

### **Profile**

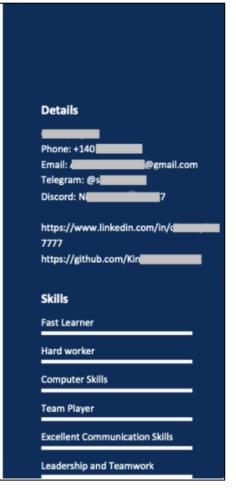
Passionate Full Stack & Blockchain Developer offering 8+ years of relevant experience in Blockchain, ML and Robotic.

I have experience developing DeFi, DEX, DApp, Trading Bot, Token, autonomous systems and artificial intelligence. I am fluent in Solidity, Web3.js, Python and JavaScript, and have worked on a variety of projects as a consultant, helping clients achieve their goals. I am also keen on several JavaScript and Python web frameworks like Vue, React, Django and Flask

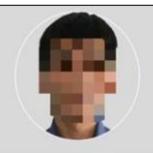
I am a life-long learner and is looking forward to working on exciting and challenging projects. I am continuously trying to improve, learn more and gain new experiences.

With a strong attention to detail and accuracy and the important ability to function well in a team setting.

Looking for a Blockchain Developer job within a forward-moving company.



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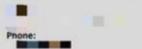
Passionate and skilled Embedded Linux Developer with High Video Streaming Tech offering 8 years of relevant experience and a proven track record of success in achieving extraordinary result. Experienced with all stages of the development cycle of any embedded video related products.

Over 8 years of IT experience in Analysis, design, and Development of various embedded software development.

Capable of excelling as part of a team or individually in a fast-paced environment. Deeply knowledgeable in video codec, media format, streaming protocol, real time system, various

protocol and standard, Android Open Source Project, and IoT.

### Richard Lee



### **Skill Highlights**

- C/C++, Java, Rust, Go, Python, Shell script
- H.264, H.265, VP8, VP9
- MP4, 3GPP, MKV, AVI
- HLS, MPEG-DASH, RTSP, RTP
- . TCP/UDP, HTTP, FTP, SNMP
- PCIe/Ethernet/ModBus/CAN/USB /SPI/I2C/I2S/RS232/UART
- Linux Kernel/Driver/RootF5
- Intel/ARM/MIPS/DSP Architecture
- React & Redux, Node.js, REST API
- Typescrypt/Javascript/React
- · Electronic&Analog Circuit
- DevOps, CI/CD

### Languages

English - C1

### Education

Bachelor of Computer Science Nanyang Technological University of Singapore (2009 – 2013)

### Experience

Video Engineer on Embedded Android Platform, 12/2019 – 05/2022 Jumio, USA

- · Developed MPEG-DASH player using dash.js
- Designed Driver, HAL, Android System Service for use in DVB-T2 player development.
- Developed RTP streaming server with low latency on Embedded Linux of TI DM8169 platform
- Analyzed & Debugged PCR accuracy in MPEG-TS stream
- Developed demodulator and tuner driver to receive DVB-T2
- Developed transcoding module which converts from any codec to H.264 codec using Hardware Accelerator

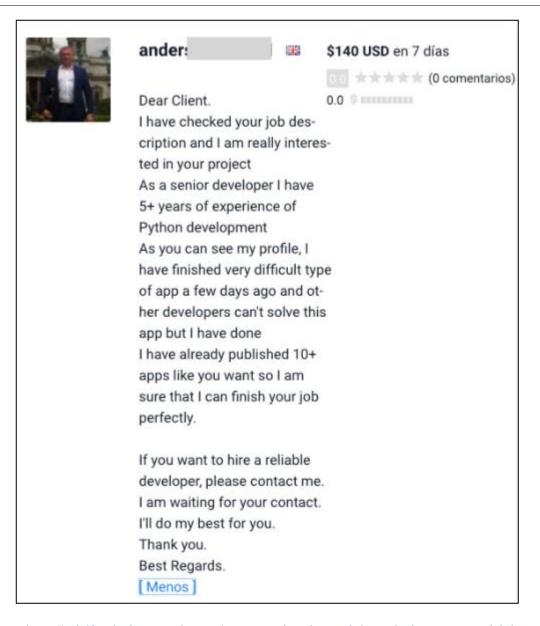
Embedded Firmware Developer, 08/2017 - 09/2018

#### Airbyte, USA

- Developed real time AD convert module in STM32F407
- Tested and deployed scalable and highly available OLED interface products.
- Developed motor control system using Python on raspberry-pi board
- Documented software development methodologies in technical manuals to be used by IT personnel in future projects.
- Developed DVB-T2 receive module in DVB-T2 dongle for android.

Embedded Software Developer, 04/2014 – 07/2016 BTHRUST, Singapore

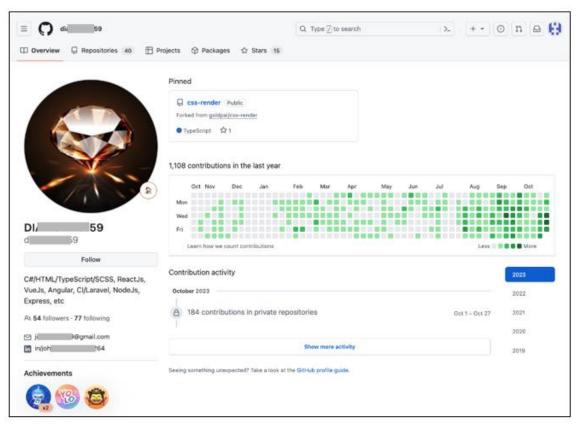
- Participated in IOT (Internet of Things) development, specializing in Smart home security systems.
- Performed high-level coding in various programming languages.
- Developed WebSocket Module in Linux OS of DM8169 processor for Camera Encoder
- · Designed Redundancy System for Live Streaming Encoder.
- · Developed PCIe driver in Linux system for Stream Multiplexer



 $Source: \underline{https://unit42.paloaltonetworks.com/two-campaigns-by-north-korea-bad-actors-target-job-hunters/and \underline{https://twitter.com/pearswick/status/1726940740079739370?s=20}$ 

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Figure 2: DPRK IT worker source code repository profile



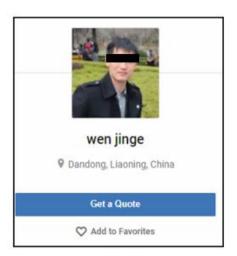
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Figure 3: Example of DPRK IT workers' multiple personas

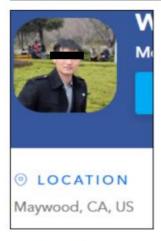












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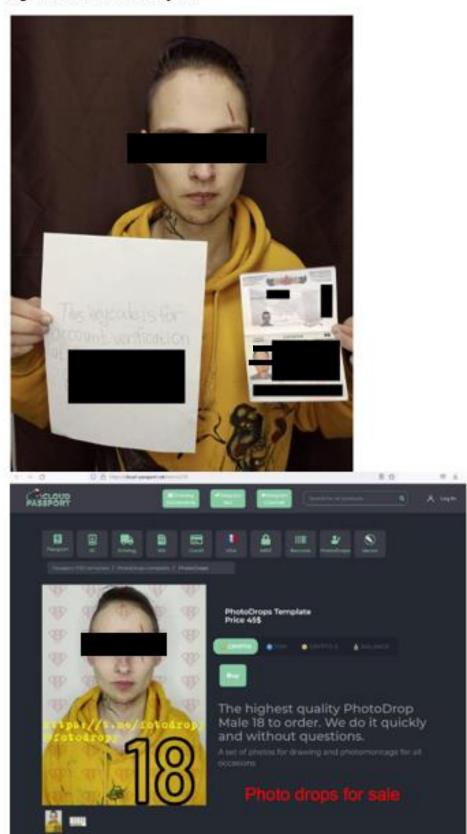
Figure 4: Email addresses reportedly associated with DPRK IT workers (redacted addresses are mostly gmail, Hotmail)

1 1104637305 @
clark194637285@com
fashioncstar@com
hallecharlotte0113@com
jsh.tiger919@com
green.0819@com
puma20001027@com
luck-man0601@com
svetlanaye85@.com
clark0613@ .com
minorru.k.cg@com
ruri528002@com
fantastic.nero1113@com
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Note: email addresses include the Gmail, Hotmail, Dispomail. Outlook and Syri services.

Source: Information provided to the Panel.

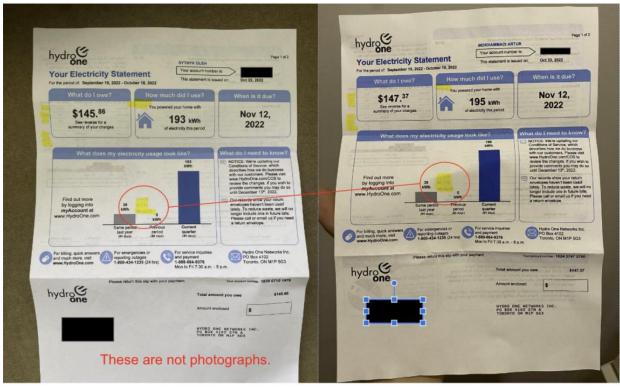
Figure 5: Falsified KYC/CDD photo



Source: Information provided to the Panel

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Figure 6: CAD-rendered falsified utility bills



Source: Information provided to the Panel.

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# Annex $65^{238}$ : Table of restaurants in China which are suspected of employing DPRK workers

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
1	Beijing	평양은반관	朝鮮平壤银畔烤肉	朝阳区神路街 39 号		1) The Panel received information that this restaurant had North Korean staff, still operating as of October 2023. 2) Reviews, April 2023	April 2023
2	Beijing	옥류관	玉流馆	朝阳区望京湖光中街8号		1) The Panel received information that this restaurant had North Korean staff, confirmed in October 2023 they are operating 2) Reviews, June 2023	June 2023
3	Beijing	대동강회관 (대동강식당)	大同江朝鮮料理	朝阳区元大都城垣遗址公园6号地01号	北京大东江畔餐饮管理有限公司 Beijing Dadongjiangpan Catering Management Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 911101055923335533 Incorporated 2012-03-26 Legal representative: 李锋浩 (Li Fenghao) Shareholder: 617 贸易会社 (617 Trading Company, probably DPRK company)	Reviews, January 2022	January 2022

One member of the Panel is of the view that the information in this annex should be further corroborated and disagrees with the allegation of these restaurants employing DPRK workers.

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
4	Beijing	금강산	金剛山黑牛自助烤肉	西大望路 15 號外企大廈 C 座 3F		Reviews, October 2021	January 2020
5	Beijing	평양능라도	萬珍樓大飯店	北京房山区 万珍楼大飯 店(良响鎮西路南大街 12 号)			None identified
6	Beijing	류경해당화 (평양해당화 )	柳京海棠花 (平壤海棠花)	朝阳区日坛东路甲一号			June 2023
7	Beijing	평양민들레식 당	平壤民达来餐厅	朝阳区霄云路 21 号-平壤 民达来		According to a Member State, this restaurant employs about 15 DPRK laborers.	June 2023
8	Shanghai	평양고려관	平壤高丽馆	上海市浦東新区松林路 357 号(通茂大酒店 1 楼)		According to a Member State, this restaurant employs about 80 DPRK laborers.	July 2023
9	Shanghai	모란봉 음악식당	牡兰峰音乐餐吧	上海市闵行区紫藤路 225 号二楼		According to a Member State, this restaurant employs about 10 DPRK laborers.	July 2023
10	Shanghai	탕랜드 (118 점/창칭 점/바오산점)	湯連得温泉館	(118 店)伯士路 57 号 (長清店)上海市長清路 1200 弄森宏購物廣場 1 樓		According to a Member State, this restaurant employs about 90 DPRK laborers.	None identified

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
11	Shanghai	단골집 조개구이	贝臻屋海鲜碳烤&烤活鳗	(紫藤路店) 上海市闵行区紫藤路 168 弄9号		According to a Member State, this restaurant employs about 10 DPRK laborers.	None identified
12	Shanghai	상인생활수세 게	上引+	上海市静安区中华新路 396 号		According to a Member State, this restaurant employs about 50 DPRK laborers.	August 2023
13	Shanghai	상인생활수세 게	上引生活水世界	(徐汇江潮水汇店) 上海市龙瑞路 28 号			None identified
14	Shanghai	양광록주생 태주점 뷔페식당	阳光绿洲生态酒店	上海松江区通波路 50 号建 设花园			None identified
15	Wuxi	강뚝꼬치구 이전문점	河坝烧烤串城	(新区金轮星光名座总店) 江苏省前卫路3号金轮星 光名座生活广场A区2楼		Reviews, September 2020	October 2022
16	Dalian	훙빈루은별식 당	鴻賓樓	大連 开发区 9 号	大连鸿宾楼酒店有限公司 Da Lian Hong Bin Lou Jiu Dian You Xian Gong Si China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210213MACB1URLXB Registered 2001-05-25 Legal representative: 高舒 (Gao Shu)	Reviews, April 2018	March 2019

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
17	Dalian	류경식당	柳京飯店 1 部	大連市 經濟技術開發區 濱海旅遊路 49号		Reviews, November 2022	November 2022
18	Shenyang	달맞이식당	月见草大酒店	哈尔滨路 21号	沈阳月见草餐饮有限公司 Shenyang Evening Primrose Catering Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210100MA0TQPLFXB Incorporated 2016-12-26 Legal representative: 崔成元 (Choi Seong Won)		July 2022
19	Shenyang	평양관	平壤館	西塔街 106 号		1) The Panel received information that this restaurant had North Korean waitress as of October 2023.  2) Reviews, July 2023	July 2023
20	Shenyang	능라도 (1 부)	平壤绫罗岛餐厅	安图街号西塔兰桂坊1层			November 2017
21	Shenyang	평양동묘향 산식당	平壤東妙香山餐厅	图们路 24-1 号 8 门			None identified
22	Shenyang	금평양관	金平壤饭店	兴工北街 43 号 2 门			None identified

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No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
23	Shenyang	모란관	牡丹馆	西塔街 93 号	沈阳牡丹馆餐饮有限公司 Shenyang Peony Pavilion Catering Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210100720932244N Registered 2001-06-18 Legal representative: 尹钟玉 (Yin Zhongyu) Shareholder: 朝鲜 813 贸易会社 (813 TRADING CORP.)	The Panel received information that this restaurant was operating and waitress are from DPRK as of October 2023.	August 2022
24	Shenyang	회령관 (남호춘색)	南湖春色	中兴街 38-1 号	沈阳南湖春色海鲜食府有限公司 Shenyang Nanhu Chunse Seafood Restaurant Co., Ltd. China Registration Number - 210102000061066 Registered 2010-06-01 Legal representative: 王殿军 (Wang Dianjun)		March 2019
25	Shenyang	몽금포식당	梦金浦	安图街 3 号			March 2029
26	Shenyang	아리랑화랑	阿里郎画廊珈琲	珲春路 10 号 19 间号		Reviews, November 2022	November 2022
27	Shenyang	복의식당	福义肥牛	黄河南大街 65 号	沈阳市皇姑区福义肥牛火锅城 Fuyi Fatiu Hot Pot City, Fuyi District, Huanggu District, Shenyang City China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210105MA0P4X8G3Q Registered 2016-07-06 Legal representative: 王艳萍 (Wang Yanping)	Reviews, April 2017	July 2021

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
28	Shenyang	신안동어항	新安渔东港	新隆街 18 号			October 2022
29	Shenyang	*	瑞成东万饭店	经济技术开发区沈新路 75 号			None identified
30	Shenyang	*	博雅轩食府	陵东街 109-4 号 1 门		Reviews, October 2021	None identified
31	Shenyang	*	春珜辽菜楼	白龙江街 60-3 号			August 2022
32	Shenyang	해물료리	鲜码头	金沙江街 16 号 1-7			August 2022
33	Shenyang	*	京品北京味道	黄河南大街 93 号 10 门			February 2023
34	Shenyang	*	芭黎參园	长白二街 182 号			None identified
35	Dandong	능라도	绫罗岛	滨江中路 128-2 号	丹东绫罗岛餐饮服务有限公司 Dan Dong Ling Luo Dao Can Yin Fu Wu You Xian Gong Si China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210600072152214F Registered 2013-06-27	Reviews, August 2017	March 2018
36	Dandong	대보산	大宝山	锦江街凤仙花酒店		Reviews, October 2019	March 2018

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No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
37	Dandong	류경식당	柳京酒店	滨江中路佳地广场 1-2 楼 辽宁省丹东市振兴区滨江 中路 64 号佳地广场 A 座 1-2 楼(近中联酒店)	辽宁鸿宝实业发展有限公司柳京酒店 Liaoning Hongbao Industry Development Co Ltd Liujing Restaurant (Liaoning Hongbao Industrial Development Co., Ltd. Liujing Hotel) China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210600689659226P Registered 2009-06-01 Legal representative: 曲强 (Qu Qiang) liujingjiudian1234@163.com The management of the restaurant was related to KOREA NATIONAL INSURANCE CORPORATION (KPe.048).	The Panel received information that this restaurant had North Korean staff and is a China-DPRK joint venture as of mid-September 2023.	March 2018
38	Dandong	평양고려식당	丹东高丽饭店	滨江中路开发区 A 区 4 号 楼 101 室	丹东市沿江高丽餐饮服务有限公司 Dandong Yanjiang Gaoli Catering Service Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210600696167529X Registered 2009-11-05 Legal representative: 贾洪生 (Jia Hongsheng) 1960958113@qq.com	Reviews, October 2021	March 2018

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
39	Dandong	단동고려식당	平壤高丽饭店	七街八纬白山小区単元 1-2 号	丹东高句丽餐饮服务有限公司 Dandong Koguryo Catering Service Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210603781605378A Registered 2005-10-27 Legal representative: 朴大勇 (Park Dayong)		November 2023
40	Dandong	고려향	高丽香	振兴区沿江开发区 D 区 35 号楼 7 幢 104 号		Reviews, September 2018	October 2019
41	Dandong	송도원	平壌松涛园酒店	振兴开发区 B 区 15 号楼 108 室(丹东市振兴区锦江 街 b 区 15 号楼 108 室)	丹东松涛园餐饮服务有限公司 Dandong Songtaoyuan Catering Service Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210600734206032C Registered 2002-05-28 Legal representative: 裴金千 (Pei Jinqian)  Joint Venture with Korea Victory Trading Co., Ltd. (朝鲜胜战贸易会 社)	Reviews, April 2021	September 2023

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
42	Dandong	칠보산	七宝山饭店七宝山饭 店	振兴区三经街 11-5 号	丹东七宝山餐饮管理有限公司 Dan Dong Qi Bao Shan Can Yin Guan Li You Xian Gong Si China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210603MA0QF8PY13 Registered 2016-08-11 Shareholder: 于风珍 (Yu Fengzhen)		None identified
43	Dandong	해맞이	<b>-</b> ≝	滨江中路 159 号 4 単元 107 室	丹东嘉苑小厨餐饮服务有限公司 Dandong Jiayuan Small Kitchen Catering Service Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210600MA0P5RJ017 Incorporated 2016-11-08 Director: 姜晓龙 (Jiang Xiaolong)		None identified
44	Dandong	아리랑식당	阿里郎海鲜酒店	沿江路改造小区 2 号楼 102 号		Reviews, October 2017	March 2018
45	Dandong	신안동각	新安东阁海鲜酒楼	锦江街 98 号	丹东新安东阁餐饮有限公司 Dandong Xin'an Dongge Catering Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91210600683744454H Registered 2009-03-12 Director: 单玉花 (Dan Yuhua)		None identified
46	Dandong	안동수산식당	安东水产海鲜餐厅	沿江开发区滨江中路新太 阳島洗欲1层			March 2018

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
47	Dandong	호양해산	豪阳海鲜酒楼	大东区佳地花园 631 图 58 号	东港市豪阳酒店 Dong Gang Shi Hao Yang Jiu Dian China Registration Number - 210681600466325 Incorporated 2012-03-26 Legal representative: 董惠凤 (Dong Huifeng)		None identified
48	Yanji	매화개장집	梅花狗肉馆	光明街 47-1 号			October 2018
49	Yanji	우의식당	友谊饭店	鑫田大厦1楼			October 2018
50	Yanji	연향꼬치집	延香考串	局子街 2549 号 (菊花公寓一楼门市)		Reviews, September 2019	August 2023
51	Yanji	류경식당	延吉柳京饭店	延吉市新兴小学斜对面	延吉柳京饭店有限公司 Yanji Liujing Hotel Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91222401605274143K Registered 1994-06-02 Legal representative: 权阳成 (Quan Yangcheng)	Reviews, August 2020	October 2018
52	Yanji	한성식당	韩城宾馆	局子街 726-4-1 号 4001	延吉市韩城餐饮有限公司韩城饭店 Yanji City Hancheng Catering Co., Ltd. Hancheng Hotel China Uniform Social Credit Code - 91222401MA15832083 Registered 2018-05-09 Legal representative: 韩杰 (Han Jie) hch2506611@163.com		October 2018
53	Yanji	해란강돌솥밥	海兰江石锅饭	参花街水上市场 164-6 号		Reviews, July 2023	November 2021
54	Changchun	한장	韩庄朝鲜料理(旗舰店)	吉林大路 1211 号 1-3 号		Reviews, October 2018	June 2020

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
55	Changchun	한장	韩庄朝鲜料理(高新店)	高新区安联国际大厦 A 座		Reviews, February 2023	July 2022
56	Changchun	한장	韩庄朝鲜料理(浄月店)	南关区新城大街与天富路 交汇处巴蜀映巷底商门市 房		Reviews, January 2022	April 2019
57	Changchun	한장	韩庄朝鲜料理(文化广场店)	西民主大街 1115 号			March 2019
58	Changchun	진홍조선관	真红朝鲜馆	佳园路超达创业园 14 栋 108-109 室		Reviews, January 2019	January 2019
59	Changchun	남양촌	南阳村演艺餐厅	经开区新城大街耶鲁印象一楼			None identified
60	Changchun	인풍각 1 호점	仁风阁(西朝阳路店)	西朝阳路 221 号	长春市仁风阁餐饮有限公司 Changchun Renfengge Catering Co., Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 912201017561597402 Registered 2004-03-12 Director: 党铁仁 (Dang Tieren) 985035100@qq.com	Reviews, March 2023	March 2019
61	Changchun	인풍각 2 호점	仁风阁(卫星广场店)	人民大街 8668 号	Jonit venture with DPRK company (朝鲜慈江道仁风会社)	Reviews, April 2023	June 2020

No.	Location	Name (Korean)	Name (Local)	Address	Corporate registry information	Additional information	Date of available social media image(s)
62	Jian	묘향산식당	妙香山	集安市锦江路 99 号长城花 园	集安市妙香山进出口贸易有限公司 Ji'an City Miaoxiangshan Import&Export Co.,Ltd. China Uniform Social Credit Code - 912205825846024267 Registered 2011-10-26 Legal representative: 邹德强 (Zou Deqiang)	Reviews, July 2018	June 2018
63	Tumen	아리랑식당	阿里郎饭店	友谊街 1307 号			None identified
64	Hunchun	훈춘묘향식 당	妙香山鲜肉烤肉串城	河南街道森林山大路水岸 明珠 16 号 301 室			May 2020
65	Hunchun	평양두만강 불고기	豆满江烧烤	琿春市金都苑 2 号楼		Reviews, February 2022	None identified

Note: "\*" indicates that the Panel was unable to identify a Korean name

Source: Member State, media and the Panel.

# Annex 66<sup>239</sup>: Additional information on restaurants in China which are suspected of employing **DPRK workers** (note: numbering is consistent with the table in Annex 65)

This Annex includes social media images of some of the 65 restaurants employing DPRK workers. The Panel is not able to independently corroborate whether these restaurants hired DPRK nationals, however, some images and social media reviews suggested employment of DPRK nationals. The Panel's analysis of corporate registry records showed that four restaurant management companies received investments from DPRK companies up to at least 2017.

#### ■ 2. 玉流馆 (옥류관)



Source: Naver, annotated by the Panel.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>239</sup> One member of the Panel is of the view that the information in this Annex should be further corroborated and disagrees with the allegation of these restaurants employing DPRK workers.

3. 大同江朝鮮料理 (대동강회관 (대동강식당))



Source: YouTube, annotated by the Panel.

#### ■ 4. 金剛山黑牛自助烤肉 (금강산)



Source: Trip.com, annotated by the Panel.

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- 6. 柳京海棠花 (平壤海棠花) (류경해당화, 평양해당화)
- South Korean media reported that the restaurant was operating as of late-June 2023. 240
- According to the report, this restaurant recently removed the restaurant's name in Korean language '류경해당화 (Ryugyeong Haedanghwa)' from its sign (below right). The photo (below left) was taken right after the restaurant opened has both Korean and Chinese language sign.



Source: 연합뉴스 (Yohnap News Agency), 22 June 2023, annotated by the Panel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>240</sup> See https://jp.yna.co.kr/view/AJP20230622001500882.

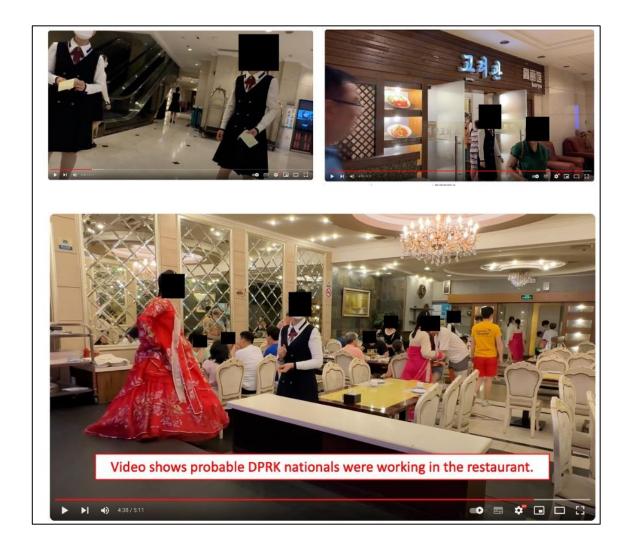
# ■ 7. 平壤民达来餐厅 (평양민들레식당)



Source: 西瓜视频, video was uploaded on 19 June 2023; annotated by the Panel.

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# ■ 8. 平壤高丽馆 (평양고려관)



Source: YouTube, video was uploaded on 30 July 2023; annotated by the Panel.

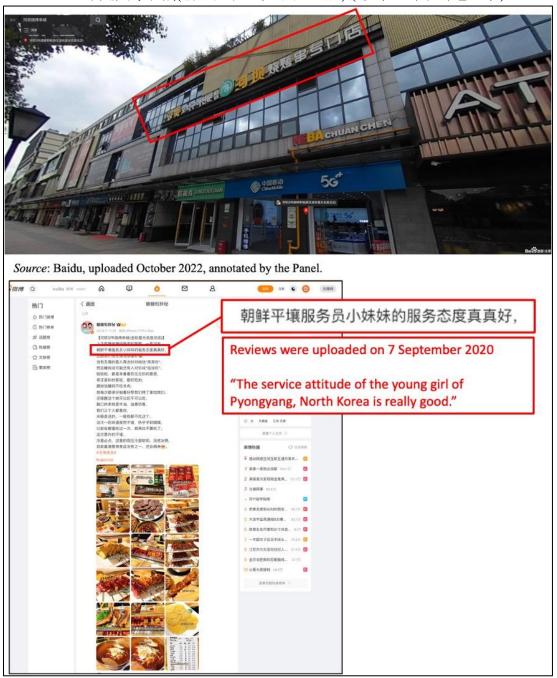
■ 9. 牡兰峰音乐餐吧 (모란봉 음악식당)



Source: 携程旅行, video was uploaded on 19 July 2023; annotated by the Panel.

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■ 15. 河坝烧烤串城(新区金轮星光名座总店)(강뚝꼬치구이전문점)



Source: 微博, reviews were uploaded on 7 September 2020; annotated by the Panel.

#### ■ 17. 柳京飯店 1 部 (류경식당)



Source: Baidu, uploaded 25 November 2022; annotated by the Panel.

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# ■ 18. 月见草大酒店 (달맞이식당)



*Source*: Baidu, top photo was uploaded in May 2020 and bottom photo was uploaded in July 2022; annotated by the Panel.



Source: National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System, annotated by the Panel.

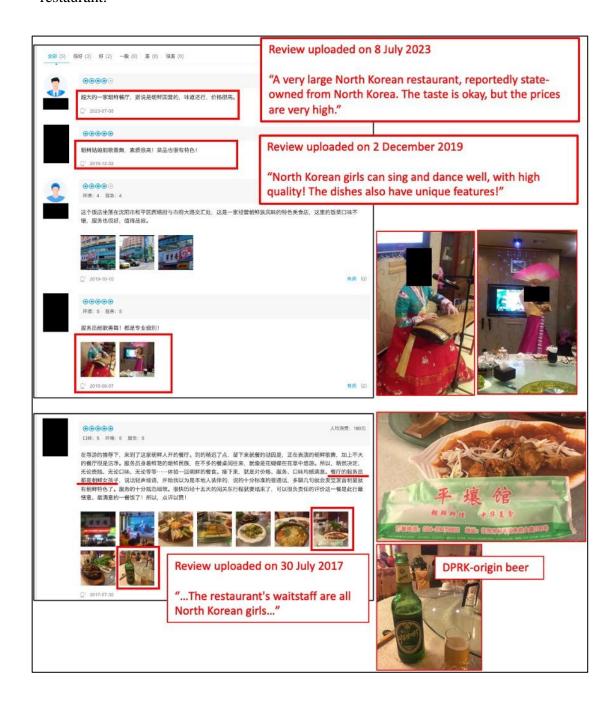
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## ■ 19. 平壌館 (평양관)



*Source*: Baidu, top photo was uploaded in October 2017 and bottom photo was uploaded in July 2021; annotated by the Panel.

- Information provided to the Panel that the restaurant was operating in October 2023 and waitresses are from DPRK.
- There have been several reviews and photos since 2017 (last review was uploaded in 2023) that DPRK nationals have been working and DPRK-origin alcoholic drinks have been served in the restaurant.



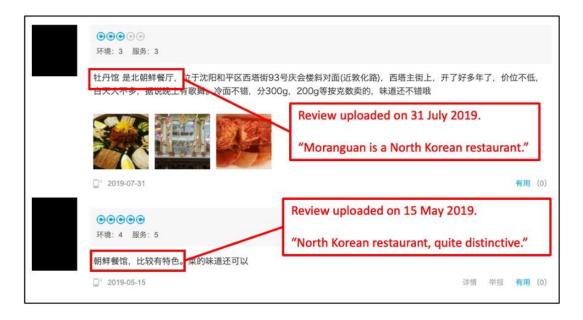
Source: 携程旅行; annotated by the Panel.

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- 23. 牡丹馆 (모란관)
- Information provided to the Panel that the restaurant was operating in October 2023 and waitresses are from DPRK.
- There have been several reviews and photos since 2014 (the last review was uploaded in 2019) that DPRK nationals have been working in the restaurant.



Source: Baidu, photo was uploaded in August 2022.



Source: 携程旅行, annotated by the Panel.

• According to the Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal (外商投资综合管理公众端), DPRK company 朝鲜 813 贸易会社 (813 TRADING CORP.) has invested in the restaurant.



Source: Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal, annotated by the Panel.

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■ 26. 阿里郎画廊珈琲 (아리랑화랑)



Source: 小红书, annotated by the Panel.

#### ■ 37. 柳京酒店 (류경식당)

- Information obtained by the Panel showed that the restaurant had staff from DPRK as of mid-September 2023 and this restaurant is a China-DPRK joint venture.
- According to the Chinese corporate registry, the management company of this restaurant is linked to 朝鲜民族保险总会社 (Korea National Insurance Corporation, KPe.048).
- The registry also indicates that the restaurant has been inviting chefs from the DPRK and displays paintings of Mansudae Art Studio (aka Mansudae Overseas Project Group of Companies, KPe.050), which may be a violation of paragraph 3 of resolution 2371 (2017).



Source: Baidu, photo was uploaded in March 2018, annotated by the Panel.

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## <u>Information about the possible link between 柳京酒店 and Korea National Insurance</u> <u>Corporation (KPe.048)</u>

• According to Chinese corporate registry data, **Ma Xiaohong** (马晓红) was a senior manager (a category comprising directors, supervisors, managers, etc.) of the company **Liaoning Hongbao Industrial Development Co., Ltd. Liujing Hotel** (辽宁鸿宝实业发展有限公司柳京酒店, China Uniform Social Credit Code 91210600689659226P). Liaoning Hongbao Industrial Development Co., Ltd. Liujing Hotel manages the restaurant 柳京酒店.

This individual is likely the same Ma Xiaohong, who was designated by OFAC in 2016 for acting for or on behalf of Korea Kwangson Banking Corporation (KPe.025).



Source: 企查猫, annotated by the Panel.

- Chinese corporate registry data shows that Ma Xiaohong is also a legal representative of **Liaoning Hongbao Industry Development Co Ltd** (辽宁鸿宝实业发展有限公司, China Uniform Social Credit Code 91210600686640300D), as of November 2023. Both **Liaoning Hongbao Industry Development Co Ltd** and the abovementioned **Liaoning Hongbao Industrial Development Co.**, **Ltd. Liujing Hotel** share the same address (丹东市滨江路 64 号佳地广场) and email address (liujingjiudian1234@163.com).
- Chinese registry documentation shows that Korea National Insurance Corporation (KPe.048) is one shareholder of Liaoning Hongbao Industry Development Co Ltd. This is probably the same company as **Dandong Hongxiang Industrial Development Co Ltd** (丹东湾祥实业发展有限公司, China Uniform Social Credit Code 91210600716432730M), which was also designated by OFAC along with Ma Xiaohong in 2016.

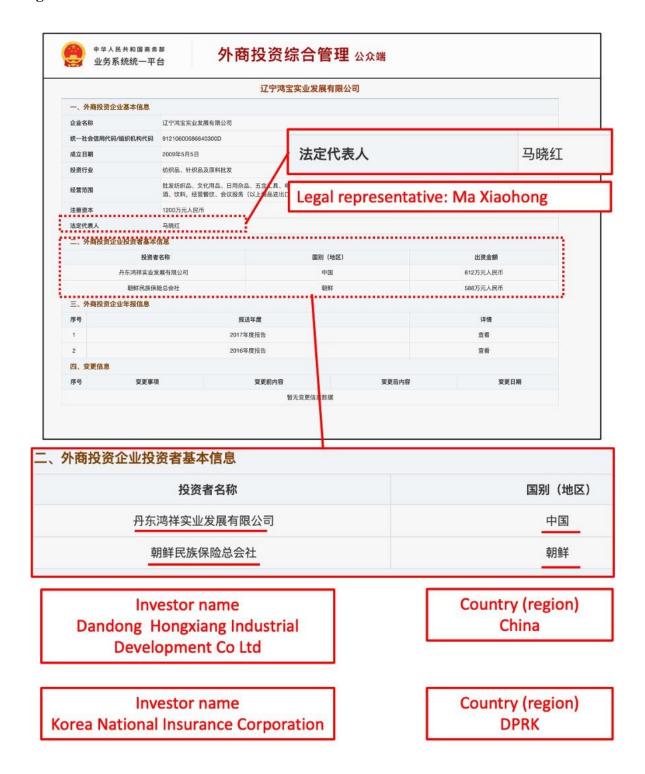
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#### Figure 1



Source: Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal, annotated by the Panel.

Figure 2

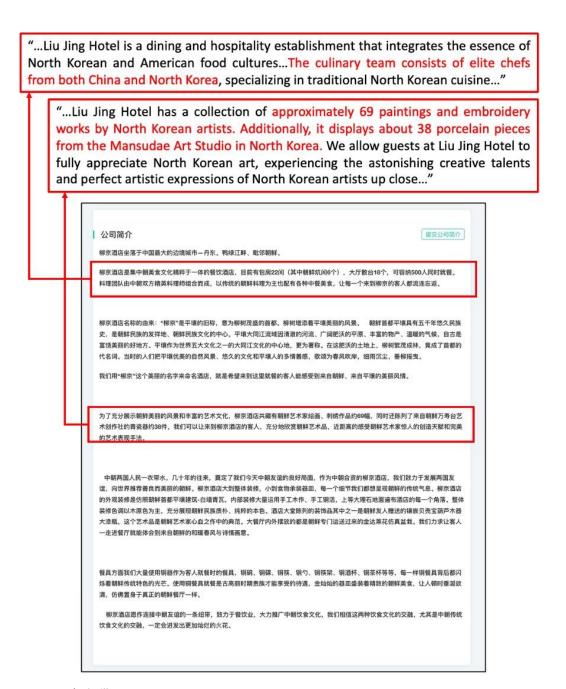


Source: Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal, annotated by the Panel.

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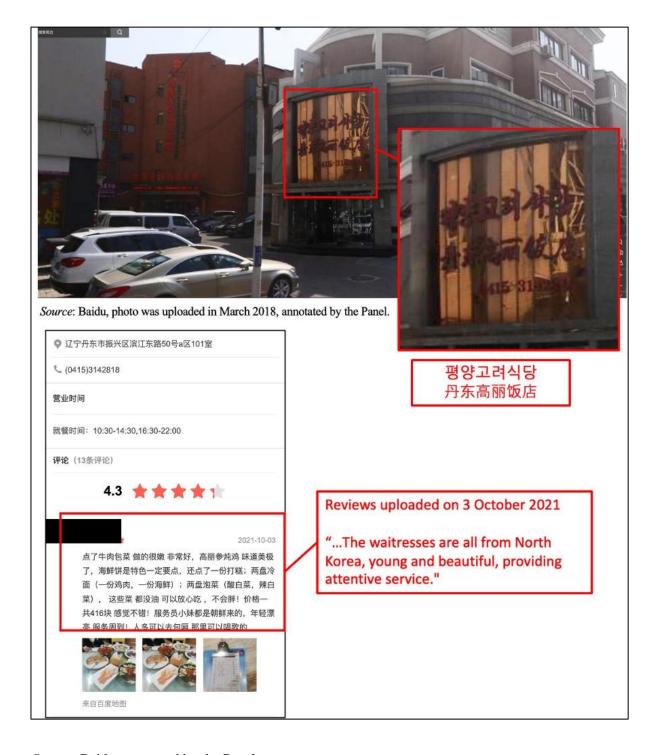
 The registry also shows that the restaurant has been inviting chefs from the DPRK and displays of paintings of Mansudae Art Studio (aka Mansudae Overseas Project Group of Companies, KPe.050).

Figure 3



Source: 企查猫, annotated by the Panel.

# 38. 丹东高丽饭店(평양고려식당)



Source: Baidu, annotated by the Panel.

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Source: 携程旅行, uploaded on 30 November 2019, annotated by the Panel.



Source: National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System, annotated by the Panel.

# ■ 41.平壌松涛酒店 (송도원)



Source: Baidu, photo was uploaded in March 2018, annotated by the Panel.

Source: Baidu, annotate by the Panel.



According to Dandong City Culture, Tourism, and Radio & Television Bureau (丹东市文化旅游和广播电视局) the restaurant appears to be renovated.



*Source*: Dandong City Culture, Tourism, and Radio & Television Bureau, uploaded on 21 September 2023, annotated by the Panel.

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 According to Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal (外商投资综合管理 公众端), DPRK company Korea Victory Trading Co., Ltd (朝鲜胜战贸易会社) is an investor in the restaurant.



Source: Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal, annotated by the Panel.

# ■ 51. 延吉柳京饭店 (류경식당)



Source: Baidu, annotated by the Panel.

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## ■ 53. 海兰江石锅饭 (해란강돌솥밥)



Source: 携程旅行, photo was uploaded on 29 November 2021, annotated by the Panel.



延吉探店 | 40年老店,店员都是朝鲜美女姐姐

【无广美食测评】海兰江石锅饭-延吉

Reviews uploaded on 6 July 2023

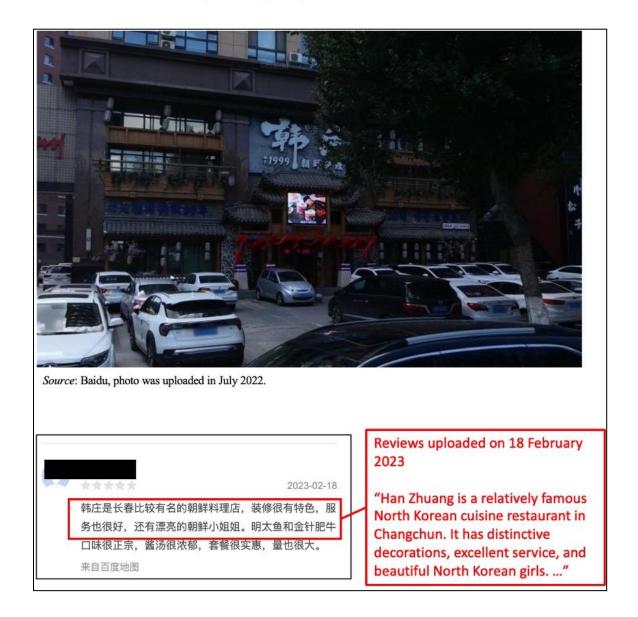
"Store visit in Yanji, 40-year-old store, the shop assistants are all North Korean beautiful ladies..."

水上市场逛完就能直接找到的老店,早上六点多就可以吃早饭了,锅包肉很好吃但是只有中午才做; 米肠好吃,包饭的肉有一点柴,土豆饺子有点硬乎,主要是本着朝鲜小姐姐去看一看;

地址:参花街水上市场164-6号 #石锅饭 #美食也可以多巴胺

Source: 大众点评, annotated by the Panel.

# ■ 55. 韩庄朝鲜料理(高新店)(한장)



Source: Baidu, annotated by the Panel.

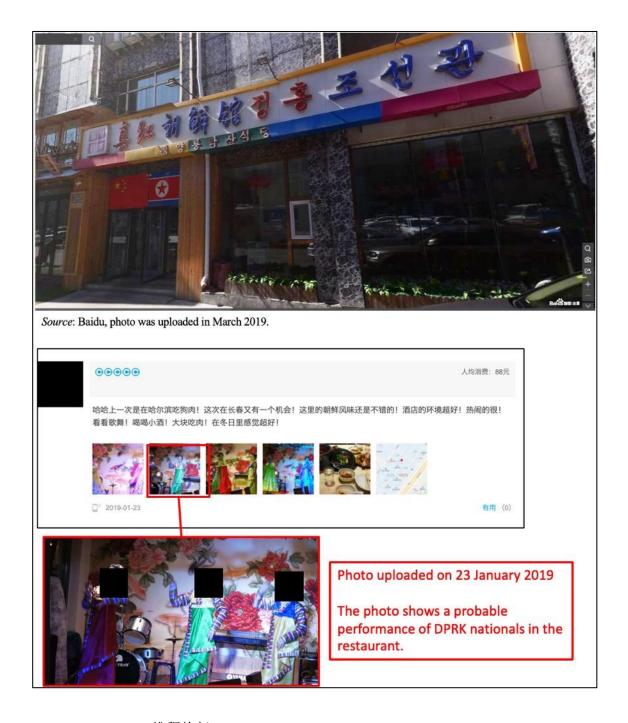
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■ 56. 韩庄朝鲜料理(浄月店)(한장)



Source: Baidu, annotated by the Panel.

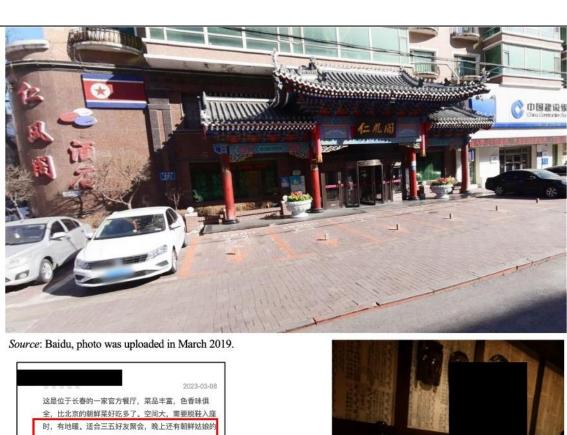
# ■ 58. 真红朝鲜馆 (진홍조선관)

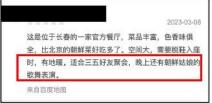


Source: Baidu (top), 携程旅行 (bottom), annotated by the Panel.

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60. 仁风阁(西朝阳路店) (인풍각 1 호점)







Reviews uploaded on 8 March 2023

"...there will be a singing and dancing performance by Korean girls in the evening"

Reviews uploaded on 8 March 2023

"...The North Korean servers come from rural areas in Korea."



Source: 马蜂窝, uploaded on 17 February 2019, annotated by the Panel.

Source: Baidu, annotated by the Panel.

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 According to Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal, DPRK company CO.TRADING INPUNG.D.P.R.K (朝鲜仁风会社) is an investor in the restaurant.



Source: Comprehensive Foreign Investment Management Public Portal, annotated by the Panel.

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■ 61. 仁风阁(卫星广场店) (인풍각 2 호점)



Source: Baidu (top), 携程旅行 (bottom), annotated by the Panel.

# ■ 62. 妙香山 (묘향산식당)



Source: Baidu, annotated by the Panel.

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Source: National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System, annotated by the Panel.

# ■ 65. 豆满江烧烤 (평양두만강불고기)



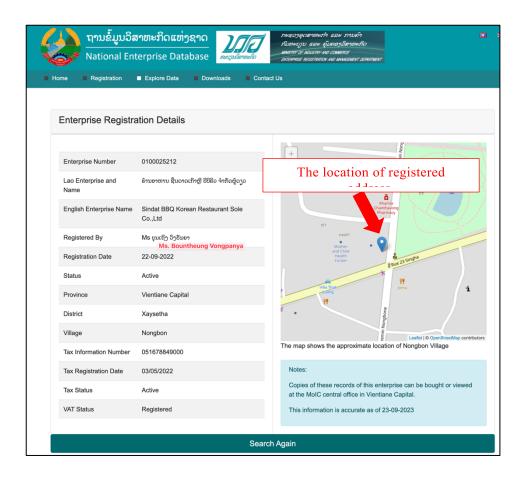
Source: Baidu, annotated by the Panel.

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## **Annex 67: Laotian Corporate Registry Records**

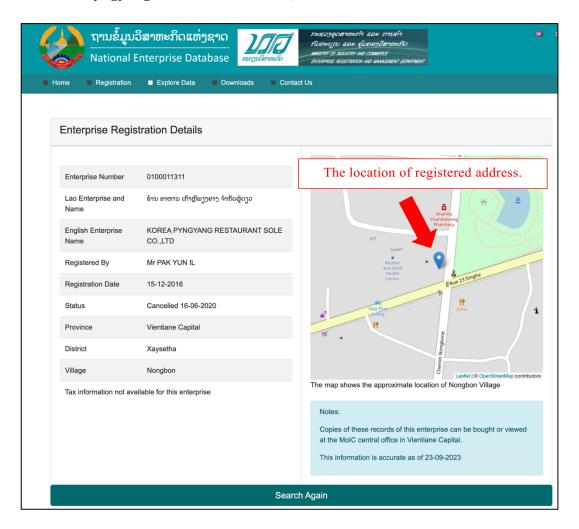
Based on Laotian corporate registry documents, Sindat BBQ Korean Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd, Sindat BBQ Korean Restaurant 2, and Paektu Hanna Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd were registered by the same individual, Ms. Bountheung Vongpanya (Ms ບຸນເຖິງ ວົງບັນຍາ). The Panel notes that the registered addresses of the recently-incorporated 1) Sindat BBQ Korean Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd and the closed 2) Korea Pyngyang Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd appear to be the same, indicating that Korea Pyngyang Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd may have simply had its name and ownership information changed and continues to operate to the benefit of DPRK nationals.

## 1) Sindat BBQ Korean Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd (Vientiane)



*Source*: Laos National Enterprise Database, <a href="http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search">http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search</a>, annotated by the Panel.

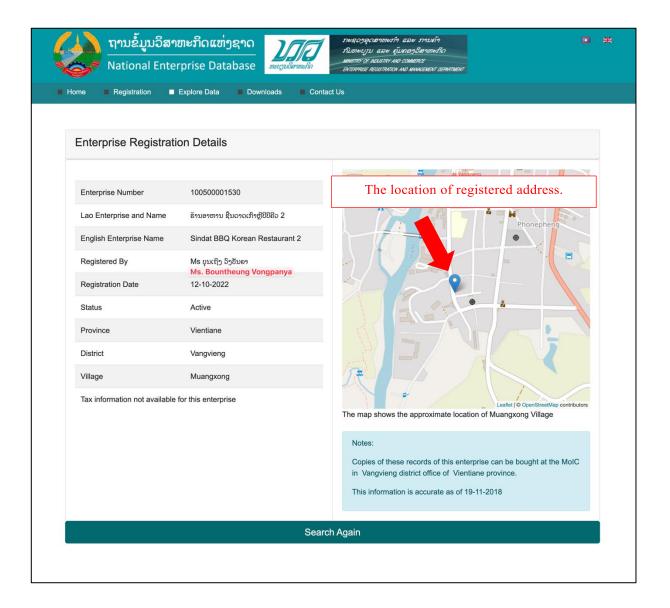
## 2) Korea Pyngyang Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd (Vientiane)



*Source*: Laos National Enterprise Database, <a href="http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search">http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search</a>, annotated by the Panel.

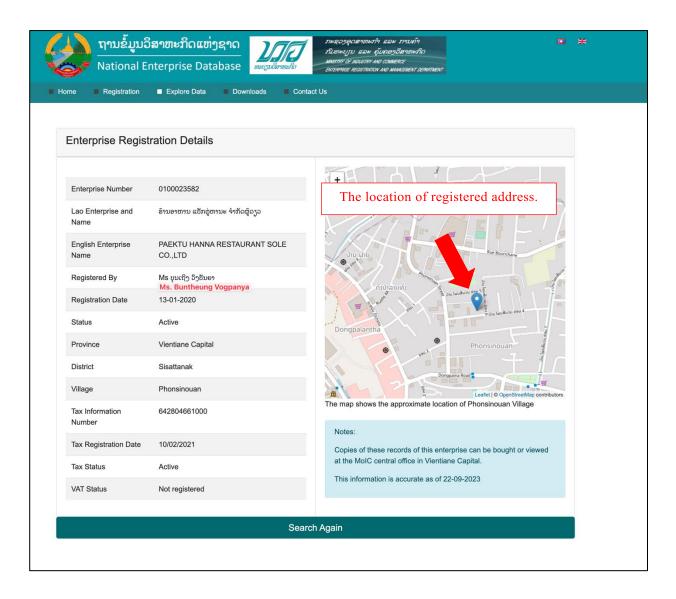
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## 3) Sindat BBQ Korean Restaurant 2 (Vang Vieng)



*Source*: Laos National Enterprise Database, <a href="http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search">http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search</a>, annotated by the Panel.

## 4) Paektu Hanna Restaurant Sole Co., Ltd (Vientiane)



*Source*: Laos National Enterprise Database, <a href="http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search">http://www.ned.moic.gov.la/index.php/en/explore-data-en/search</a>, annotated by the Panel.

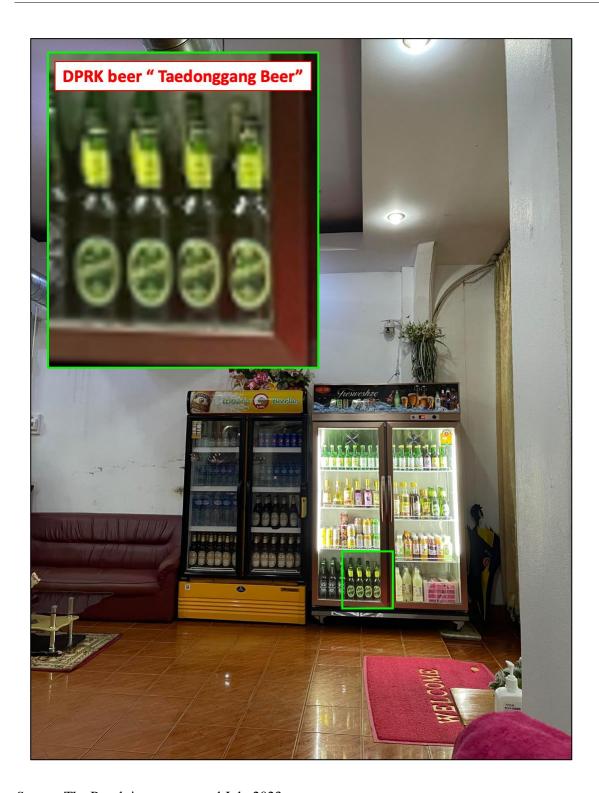
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# Annex 68: Additional source information on suspected DPRK Restaurants

# 1) Sindat BBQ Restaurant (formerly the That Luang Pyongyang Restaurant)



Source: The Panel (top), Google (bottom); annotated by the Panel.



Source: The Panel; image captured July 2023.

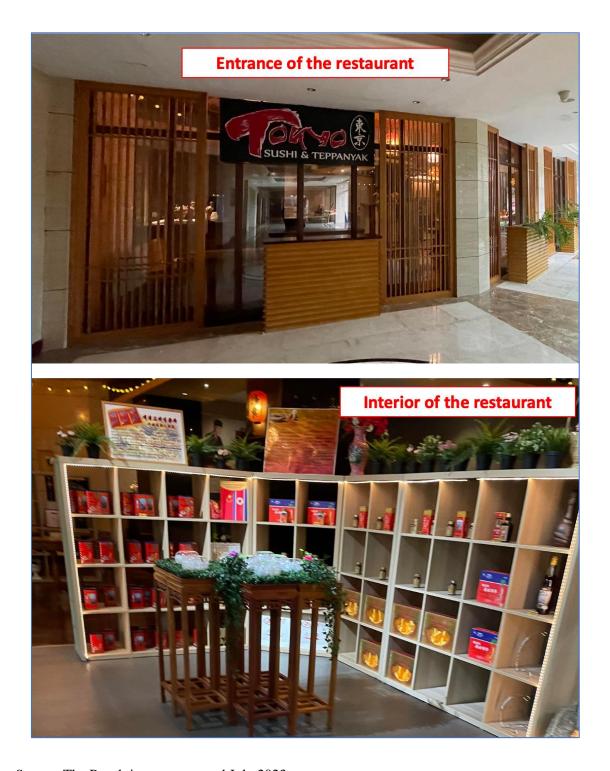
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# 2) Paektu Hanna Restaurant



Source: The Panel; images captured July 2023.

# 3) Tokyo Sushi & Teppanyaki



Source: The Panel; images captured July 2023.

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# 4) Sindat BBQ Restaurant 2 (formerly Vang Vieng Pyongyang Restaurant)



Source: The Panel; images captured August 2023.

## Annex 69241: Media report about DPRK workers in China

## China's North Korean eateries refuse South Korean diners

Beijing (AFP) – South Koreans hoping to taste authentic North Korean cuisine abroad may be out of luck, with Pyongyang-run restaurants across northern China saying they will refuse to serve their capitalist compatriots.

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Dotted throughout China and Southeast Asia, North Korean-run restaurants dish up culinary staples like cold noodles and kimchi pancakes to customers typically more interested in the novelty factor than the cuisine.

Staffed by waitresses hand-picked from the country's elite for loyalty -- and who often perform musical numbers for customers -- they are a major source of funds for Pyongyang.

And for South Koreans they have long offered a quirky opportunity to break bread with their longtime foe while abroad -- and enjoy some schmaltzy song and dance on the side.

But half a dozen branches in China, from restaurants in the capital Beijing to cities in the borderland, told AFP they would not serve South Koreans.

"This rule came into effect this year," said one Chinese staff member at Ryugyong restaurant in Dandong -- a stone's throw from the diplomatically isolated nation.

"We have to comply," said the staff member, who did not give their name.

"There is a regulation from the North Korean embassy: None of the North Korean restaurants in Dandong are permitted to serve South Koreans."

## 'Very hostile'

The rules meanwhile appear to be applied inconsistently: eateries surveyed by AFP in Shanghai, Changchun and Hanoi in neighbouring Vietnam said they had no issue with South Koreans dining there.

But others were downright hostile at the mention of South Korean guests.

"We hate them!" said one North Korean worker in Shenyang -- a hub in northeast China where North and South Koreans frequently rub shoulders.

"If you bring a South Korean friend, we will not accept them... and won't serve them."

North Korea's embassy in Beijing did not respond to a request for comment.

One former South Korean government official said he was asked to leave a North Korean restaurant in Dandong after staff heard him speaking their shared language with a friend.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>241</sup> One member of the Panel is of the view that the information in this Annex should be further corroborated and disagrees with the allegation of these restaurants employing DPRK workers.



"The tone was very hostile," said the man, who asked not to be named.

North Korean restaurants are dotted throughout China and Southeast Asia © Nhac NGUYEN / AFP "I felt very frustrated, awkward. I felt sorry for them."

Before visiting Dandong, he said he had heard that North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un had instructed restaurants to stop serving South Koreans.

These bans have happened before, he said -- usually when inter-Korean relations fall to a low ebb. "But knowing it and experiencing it is different," he said.

"Being rejected to your face... that's really bad."

## 'Enemy state'

After a brief easing of tensions in the late 2010s helped by three summits between North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and South Korea's then-president Moon Jae-in, relations between Seoul and Pyongyang have nosedived.

In a speech last month, South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol warned Pyongyang that "its regime will be brought to an end" if it ever used nuclear weapons.

Pyongyang meanwhile has repeatedly derided the "puppet" government in Seoul as it this year has conducted a record number of missile tests.

"The North's ban on South Korean visitors is in line with its aggressive posture when dealing with the South," Hong Min, at the Korea Institute for National Unification, told AFP.

"It's demonstrative of its view that South Korea is an enemy state rather than one it can cooperate with."

South Korea's unification ministry -- which manages relations with the North -- declined to comment. "We can assume it is linked to the Yoon government and general deterioration of relations during his administration," said Chris Green, a Korea expert at the Netherlands' Leiden University.

Those tensions now mean that South Koreans looking to experience the cuisine of a neighbour cut off for over 70 years may have to look elsewhere.

"We can't do that," a woman who answered the phone at Beijing's Okryu restaurant said when asked if South Koreans could dine there.

The waitresses "will know they are South Korean as soon as they look at them".

*Source*: https://www.france24.com/en/live-news/20231006-china-s-north-korean-eateries-refuse-south-korean-diners.

#### Annex 70: Restaurants in Russia which are suspected of employing DPRK nationals

According to Member State information and the Panel's investigations, DPRK nationals have been working in at least four restaurants in Russia: one in Moscow; two in Vladivostok; and one in Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk. The Russian Federation replied that "no violations of the sanctions regime in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the UN Security Council has been identified" (annex 71).

#### 1) Moscow

Social media images suggest that restaurant "Koryo (Kopë)" appeared to be open and active as of April 2023. Russian corporate registry showed that the restaurant was managed by OOO "KOPË" and that at least three probable DPRK nationals have been involved as director and shareholders since its incorporation in 2009. The registry data indicate that the company was closed in September 2021. Social media indicate that there were most likely DPRK waitresses serving in the restaurant in 2023. According to the Member State's information, 13 DPRK nationals have worked for the restaurant.

The Panel notes a change in the restaurant's entrance sign between 2018 and 2022. Photos taken in May 2018 showed the name of the restaurant in both Russian and Korean, "Пхеньянский Ресторан Корё (Pyongyang Restaurant Koryo)" and "평양고려 (Pyongyang Koryo)" respectively. These signs were removed at some point after May 2018 and only the Russian name "Ресторан Корё (Restaurant Koryo)" has been displayed since then.

## Figure 1: Russian Registry Information for OOO "KOPË"

- Company: OOO "KOPË", OΓPH 1097746617638
  - > Probable DPRK national KUM EH 4EP (Kim Yong Chol), FPH 2127746369980
  - Probable DPRK national КИМ E COH (Kim Ye Sung), ИНН 772590828585
  - Probable DPRK national PËH ЧЖОН ГИР (Ryeong Jeong Gil)
  - Russian national РАДЖАБОВ ШУХРАТ ГУЛЯМОВИЧ (Radzhabov Shuhrat Guljamovich), ИНН 771996516419

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Figure 2: Comparison of entrance of Restaurant Koryo in 2018 (left) and 2022 (right)



Figure 3: Comparison of inside of Restaurant Koryo in 2018 (left) and 2023 (right)

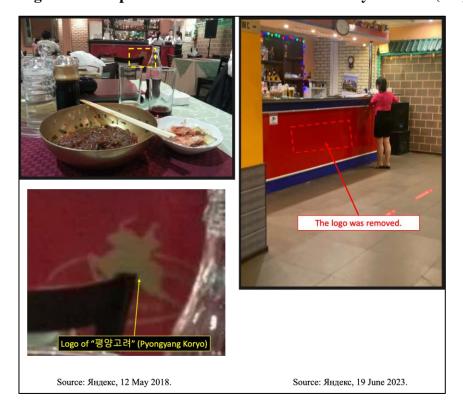




Figure 4: Image of inside the restaurant (taken from social media)

Source: YouTube, uploaded in April 2023 (annotated by the Panel).

### 2) Vladivostok

1. "Arirang (아리랑)": Social media images suggest that Korean restaurant "Arirang (아리랑)"was open and active as of July 2023. Russian corporate registry data shows that the restaurant was managed by ООО "АРИРАНГ", with a Russian director, a DPRK shareholder, and an incorporation date of 31 October 2022.

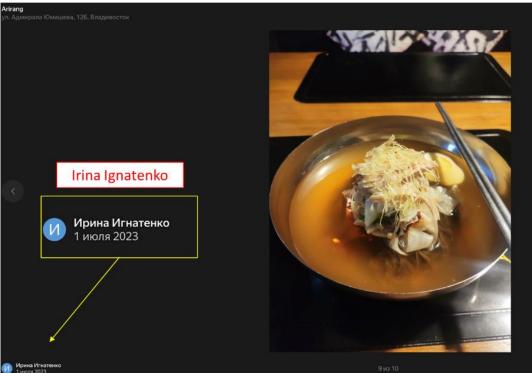
# Figure 1: Russian Registry Information about OOO "AP $\Pi$ PAH $\Gamma$ " and DPRK national and Russian national

- Company: ООО "АРИРАНГ", ГРН 1222500027100
  - **№** ШИН XE ОК (Shin Hye Ok)
  - ИГНАТЕНКО ИРИНА НИКОЛАЕВНА (Ignatenko Irina Nikolaevna), Russian, ИНН 253802000907

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Figure 2: Photos of restaurant "Arirang (ΑΡΨΡΑΗΓ)" (see also annex 79)





Source: Yandex, uploaded on 1 July 2023 (annotated by the Panel).

Figure 3: Russian corporate registry of OOO "АРИРАНГ" (excerpt)

Наименование показателя	Значение показателя	
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I Name и дата внесения в ЕГРЮЛ записи,	ОТВЕТСТВЕННОСТЬЮ "АРИРАНГ" 1222500027100	— "Arirang"
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е		
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	ИГНАТЕНКО ИРИНА	IRINA
<sub>ство</sub> Given name	НИКОЛАЕВНА	NIKOLAEVNA
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tionality	Корейская Народно-Демократическая Республика	Democratic People's  Republic of Korea
данств	30	о иностранный гражданин Корейская Народно-Демократическая

Source: Russian corporate registry Unified State Register of Legal Entities (Единого государственного реестра юридических лиц).

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"Cafe Pyongyang (Кафе Пхеньян)": Social media images suggest that Korean restaurant "Cafe Pyongyang (Кафе Пхеньян)" appeared to be open and active as of July 2023. Russian corporate registry information showed that the restaurant is managed by OOO "MAKCИМ", directed by a Russian national and a probable DPRK national. Another DPRK national is a former shareholder; this individual is currently the director of another Vladivostok-based company involved in computer software development. Photos and reviews of the restaurant were uploaded to Russian search websites as of July and August 2023, respectively, further confirming that the restaurant is active. According to a Member State, 12 DPRK national have worked for Café Pyongyang.

- Figure 1: Russian Registry Information about OOO "MAKCIM" Company: OOO "MAKCIM", ΓΡΗ 1032502269601
  - > КИМ СОНГ КУМ (Kim Song Kum)
  - > 3У ЕН ЧЕЛ (Chu Yong Chol), ИНН 254001922108
  - ➤ Russian national КОСУШКИНА МАРИНА СТЕПАНОВНА (Kosushkina Marina Stepanovna), ИНН 253811784655

Figure 2: Photos of Korean restaurant "Cafe Pyongyang (Кафе Пхеньян)" (top) and recent reviews on Russian social media (bottom)



Source: Яндекс, 18 May 2023.



(Translation)

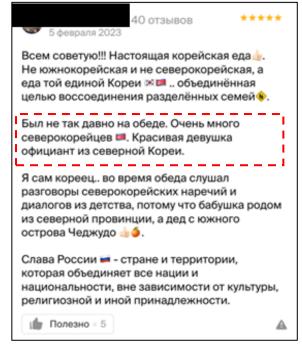
...An authentic North Korean menu, ambiance, polite and very beautiful Korean waitress...

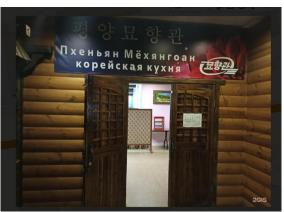
Source: Яндекс.

#### 3) Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk

Social media images suggest that Korean restaurant "Pyongyang Myohyangoan (평양묘향, Пхеньян Мёхянгоан)" was open and active as of August 2023. Reviews of the restaurant were uploaded on a Russian search website in February 2023, stating that DPRK nationals were serving as waitresses in the restaurant.

Figure 1: Photos of Korean restaurant "Pyongyang Myohyangoan" (top) and recent reviews on Russian social media (bottom).





(Translation)

I was recently at lunch. Many North Koreans were there. A beautiful waitress from North Korea.

Source: 2GIS.

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#### Annex 71: Reply from the Russian Federation

The restaurant "Koryo" was liquidated in September 2021. There is no information about its affiliation with any North Korean companies or nationals.

"Maxim" LLC was established in 2003. From 2003 to 2018 the general director of this legal entity was a DPRK citizen Chu Yong Chol (Чу Ён Чхоль). Since 2018 up to now, this position has been held by a Russian citizen. There is no information about the cases of employment of North Koreans in this organization.

"SKR-Trading" LLC was founded in 2003 by Chu Yong Chol, who served as its general director. Currently, this legal entity is in the process of liquidation and does not conduct any financial and economic activities.

The head of "Arirang" LLC, established in October 2022, is a Russian citizen.

The North Korean cuisine cafe "Pyongyang Mehyanggoan", was established in February 2019 by a Russian individual entrepreneur. This entity, under the agreement with one of the Russian institutes, conducts pastry cooking classes in accordance with the educational program for North Korean students.

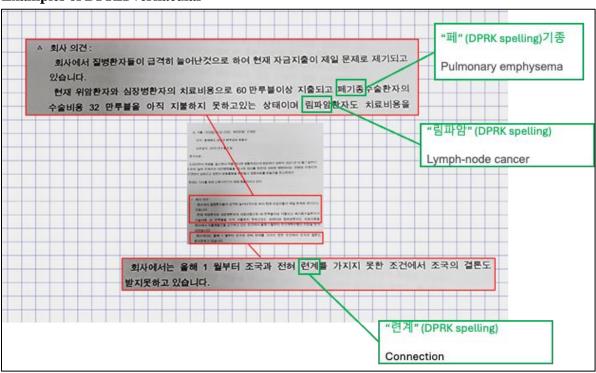
Since December 2019 up to the present time all of the above-mentioned entities have not entered into labor agreements with DPRK citizens, have not applied for work permits for North Korean citizens and have not applied for forms of joint venture. There is no information on profit-making by North Koreans from the activities of these entities. Overall no violations of the sanctions regime in accordance with the relevant resolutions of the UN Security Council has been identified.

Source: Member State.

# Annex 72: Media report about Khabarovsk-based DPRK construction company "The First Construction Company (제 1 건설회사)"

According to a media report<sup>242</sup> and information obtained by the Panel, at least 58 DPRK nationals were working at a Khabarovsk-based DPRK construction company "The First Construction Company (제 1 건설회사)" as of 2022. The expert consulted by the media organization confirmed that specific words in the company's internal documentation were written in DPRK vernacular. The document explains that the number of patients has surged and treatment fees also increased accordingly which became a major problem. The company implied that their financial situation could affect implementation of [DPRK] national plan. It tried to reach out to Pyongyang on this matter, however has not received any answer. As can be seen in the response from Russian Federation (see below), Air Koryo operated seven flights from Vladivostok to Pyongyang, transporting 630 DPRK citizens with various diseases in 2023, and when crossing the state border, they carried hand luggage with personal belongings (see annex 74).

### **Examples of DPRK vernacular**



Source: RFA, annotated by the Panel.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>242</sup> See https://www.rfa.org/korean/in\_focus/food\_international\_org/workershealth-09202023163056.html.

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In this regard, we would like to inform the Panel that the company entitled "The First Construction Company" is not registered in the Unified State Register of Legal Entities of the Russian Federation. There is no data on the issuance by this organization of contracts with Russian contractors for the provision of migrant workers from the DPRK, nor on the opening of accounts in Russian banks. No work permits were issued to DPRK citizens for labor activities for a company entitled "The First Construction Company". No notification on the conclusion of relevant labor or civil law contracts related to provision of services have been received. In 2021-2023, no applications were submitted by employers or contractors on the need to hire foreign workers from the DPRK to fill vacant or newly created jobs. No quota for the North Korean labor force was allocated to Khabarovsk Krai enterprises. There are North Korean citizens with expired study visas in Khabarovsk Krai who have been unable to return to their home country since the termination of transportation channels with the DPRK. Those DPRK nationals are not engaged in labor in the region. In 2023, North Korea's Air Koryo operated seven flights from Vladivostok to Pyongyang to transport 630 DPRK citizens with various diseases. When crossing the state border, they carried hand luggage with personal belongings.

Source: Member State.

### Annex 74: Reply from the Russian Federation on repatriation of DPRK overseas workers in 2023

The Panel has enquired to the Russian Federation about the repatriation of DPRK nationals, given the partial re-opening of the DPRK border in 2023. The Russia Federation replied that "In 2023, North Korea's Air Koryo operated seven flights from Vladivostok to Pyongyang to transport 630 DPRK citizens with various diseases. When crossing the state border, they carried hand luggage with personal belongings".

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# Annex 75: Russian court cases involving DPRK nationals earning income<sup>243</sup>

Note: Case defendants were charged under a number of Russian legal codes, including:

- Code of the Russian Federation on Administrative Offenses, articles
  - o 15.25 ("Breach of the Currency Legislation of the Russian Federation and Acts of Currency Regulation Bodies"),
  - o 18.8 ("Violation by an Alien or a Stateless Person of the Rules for Entry into the Russian Federation or of the Regime for Staying (Living) in the Russian Federation"),
  - o 18.10 ("Unlawful Exercise by a Foreign Citizen or Stateless Person of Labour Activities in the Russian Federation"),
  - 18.11 ("Violating Immigration Rules"),
  - o 18.15 ("Unlawful Engagement of a Foreign Citizen or Stateless Person in Labour Activities in the Russian Federation"),
  - o 20.25 ("Nonpayment of the Administrative Fine or Willful Departure from the Place of Serving the Administrative Arrest")
- Civil Code of the Russian Federation, article
  - o 1102 ("The Obligation to Return Unjust Enrichment")
- Criminal Code of the Russian Federation, articles
  - o 216 ("Violation of Safety Rules in Mining, Building, and Other Activities")
  - o 109 ("Infliction of Death by Negligence")
- Federal Law on the Legal Status of Foreign Citizens, article
  - o 13 ("Terms for Foreign Citizens' Participation in Labour Relations")

See Annex 75.1 for excerpts of the associated court case documentation.

Name	Company information	Identified court cases, 2021-2023	Court Case Outcome(s)
Anfilada OOO (OOO "Анфилада")	Address: 690011, Primorski kr., g. Vladivostok, ul. Borisenko, d. 70 kv. 26, Russian Federation OGRN: 1092537001138	• 5-10/2023 (5-1005/2022), employment of DPRK national Shin Chul Sun • 5-9/2023 (5-1004/2022), employment of DPRK national Kim Suk II	In both cases: administrative proceedings terminated due to lack of an administrative offense
Baryshnikova, Evgeniya Andreevna (individual entrepreneur)	Address: Irkutskaya oblast, Irkutsk, Oktyabrski, Russian Federation OGRNIP: 309385011800150	<ul> <li>5-43/2023, employment of DPRK national Han Yong Ho (DOB 1964)</li> <li>5-44/2023, employment of DPRK national Hwang Hu Nam (DOB 1965)</li> <li>5-45/2023, employment of a DPRK national</li> <li>5-46/2023, employment of a DPRK national</li> <li>5-47/2023, employment of DPRK national Kim Ok Chol (DOB 1979)</li> <li>5-48/2023, employment of a DPRK national with passport number 390430598</li> </ul>	In all cases: E.A. Baryshnikova found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine in the amount of 125,000 roubles.
Ciana, OOO (OOO "Циана")	Address: 121609, g. Moskva, ul. Osennyaya, d. 17 k. 1 pom. 1 kom. 146, Russian Federation OGRN: 1157746826907	<ul> <li>5-1590/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim I.Ch.</li> <li>5-1596/2021, employment of DPRK national Song I.Z.</li> </ul>	In both cases: company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine, in one case in the amount of 200,000 roubles and in the other case, an undisclosed amount of roubles.

SZ 'DKK-DV',	Address: 692760, Primorski	• 5-10/2023 (5-1005/2022), employment of DPRK national Shin Chul-	In 19 cases: company found guilty
000 (000 C3	krai, g.o. Artemovski, g	sun	of committing an administrative
"ДКК-ДВ")	Artem, ul Frunze, d. 43, ofis	• 5-9/2023 (5-1004/2022), employment of DPRK national Kim Suk-il	offense with punishment of an
	1, Russian Federation	• 5-1550/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Yong-chol	administrative fine in the amount
	OGRN: 1192536031863	• 5-1523/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Yoon-chul	of 125,000 roubles.
		• 5-1515/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Yoon-chol	
		• 5-1529/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Sung-nam	In one case (5-1551/2021):
		• 5-1531/2021, employment of DPRK national Ma Seong	company found guilty of
		• 5-1520/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Myong-il	committing an administrative
		• 5-1527/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Song-kook	offense with punishment of an
		• 5-1525/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Syung-haek	administrative fine in the amount
		• 5-1518/2021, employment of DPRK national Hwang Yoon-shik	of 25,000 roubles.
		• 5-1522/2021, employment of DPRK national Choe Yong Ho	
		• 5-1517/2021, employment of DPRK national Chae Kwang-hak	In two cases (5-9/2023 and 5-
		• 5-1534/2021, employment of DPRK national Yun Kwang-sen	10/2023): administrative
		• 5-1533/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national "Un"	proceedings terminated due to lack
		• 5-1524/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national "Jin"	of an administrative offense
		• 5-1530/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national "Chol"	
		• 5-1528/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national "Chen"	
		• 5-1521/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national "Ho"	
		• 5-1519/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national "Chen"	
		• 5-1526/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national "Ren"	
		• 5-1551/2021, for employing DPRK nationals, Martyanov Alexander	
		Valerievich (INN 251107281473)	

JSC Dzerzhinsk	Address 1: 129626, g.	• 7-755/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Hye Jong	In all cases: the decision of a lower
Garment Factory	Moskva, prospekt Mira, d.	• 7-734/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Un Jong	court is cancelled due to
"RUS" (aka AO	102 str. 27 kom. 4A, Russian	• 7-730/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Ji Hye	procedural violations and the case
DSHF "RUS",	Federation	• 7-729/2021, employment of DPRK national Yang Un Hyang	is returned for new consideration
АО ДШФ	Address 2: 606002,	• 7-728/2021, employment of DPRK national Choe Un Gum	is returned for new consideration
"РУСЬ")	Nizhegorodskaya obl., g.	• 7-727/2021, employment of DPRK national Ji Hyang Gum	
1366)	Dzerzhinsk, ul.	• 7-725/2021, employment of DPRK national Hong Sung Jin	
	Krasnoarmeiskaya, d. 21,	• 7-724/2021, employment of DPRK national Kwon Un Ha	
	Russian Federation	• 7-700/2021, employment of DPRK national An Mi Yong	
	OGRN: 1025201741586	• 7-699/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Kyong Ok	
	00141. 10232017 11300	• 7-698/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Jon Sim	
		• 7-697/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Kyong Ok	
		• 7-696/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Hye Jong	
		• 7-695/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Gum Sun	
		• 7-694/2021, employment of DPRK national Ma Jin Hyang	
		• 7-692/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Jun Sim	
		• 7-691/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Sung Hee	
		• 7-689/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Jin Hyang	
		• 7-688/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Un Sim	
		• 7-687/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Bom Hyang	
		• 7-686/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Un Sim	
		• 7-685/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Bom Hyang	
		• 7-684/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Won Hwa	
		• 7-680/2021, employment of DPRK national Han Jin E	
		• 7-679/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Won Hwa	
		• 7-678/2021, employment of DPRK national Han Jin E	
		• 7-677/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Chol Ok	
		• 7-675/2021, employment of DPRK national Choe Un Gum	
		• 7-674/2021, employment of DPRK national Yu Su Kyong	
		• 7-671/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Jin Sim	
		• 7-669/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Jin Hyang	
		• 7-668/2021, employment of DPRK national Ma Jin Hyang	
		• 7-667/2021, employment of DPRK national Jo Hyang Hee	
		• 7-666/2021, employment of DPRK national Kwon Un Ha	
		• 7-665/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Jong Ok	
		• 12-468/2021, employment of DPRK national Paek Un Jin	
		• 12-466/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Ryong Hee	
		• 12-464/2021, employment of DPRK national Jung Un Sook	
		• 12-448/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Un Hee	
		• 12-442/2021, employment of DPRK national Jo Yun Gyong	
		• 12-438/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Chol Ok	
		• 12-436/2021, employment of DPRK national An Mi Yong	
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		• 12-432/2021, employment of DPRK national Choe U.G. • 12-454/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Ji Hye • 12-452/2021, employment of DPRK national Ryang Un Gang • 12-446/2021, employment of DPRK national Gwon Un Ha • 12-434/2021, employment of DPRK national Choe Un Gum • 7-845/2021, employment of DPRK national Jong Sol • 7-819/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Un Hee • 7-818/2021, employment of DPRK national Yu Su Gyon • 7-815/2021, employment of DPRK national Jo Yun Gyong • 7-814/2021, employment of DPRK national Jo Hyang Hui • 7-812/2021, employment of DPRK national Ji Hyang Gum • 7-808/2021, employment of DPRK national Hong Sung Jin • 7-804/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Jong Ok • 7-800/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Jong Ok • 7-800/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Jin Sim • 7-797/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Chol Ok • 7-805/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Ji Hye • 7-806/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Ji Hye • 7-806/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Ji Hye	
Emarko OOO (OOO "ЭМАРКО")	Address: 664003, Irkutskaya obl, g.o. gorod Irkutsk, g Irkutsk, ul Krasnoarmeiskaya, d. 7, of. 1 Russian Federation OGRN: 1183850021255	• 7-802/2021, employment of DPRK national Paek Un Jin • 5-5/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Yong Gun • 5-4/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Yong II • 5-3/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Bok Rok • 5-2/2021, employment of DPRK national An Nam II	In all cases: administrative proceedings terminated due to lack of an administrative offense
Garant-Stroy- Service OOO (ООО "Гарант- Строй-Сервис")	Address: 690022, Primorski krai, g.o. Vladivostokski, g Vladivostok, pr-kt 100-letiya Vladivostoka, d. 178, kv. 281, Russian Fderation OGRN: 1117746527711	<ul> <li>5-827/2022, employment of DPRK national Choe E.S.</li> <li>5-828/2022, employment of DPRK national An S.I.</li> <li>5-830/2022, employment of DPRK national Pak Y.H.</li> <li>12-390/2022, employment of DPRK national Ri Chol Ho</li> </ul>	In three cases: administrative proceedings terminated due to lack of an administrative offense  In one case (12-390/2022): decision canceled due to procedural violation

(000)	ctor OOO ральный	Address: 690091, Primorski kr., g. Vladivostok, ul. Aleutskaya, d. 26 kv. 14, Russian Federation OGRN: 1042503712184	• 5- 156/2022, employment of DPRK national Ra K.Z.  • 5- 159/2022, employment of DPRK national Yu. Ch.N.  • 5- 161/2022, employment of DPRK national P. M.H.  • 5- 162/2022, employment of DPRK national Paek S.G.  • 5- 163/2022, employment of DPRK national Ri N.H.  • 5- 165/2022, employment of DPRK national Ri N.H.  • 5- 165/2022, employment of DPRK national Yang T.H.			
Ir-Stroy (OOO ' CTPOĬ	"ИР-	Address: 690105, Primorski krai, g.o. Vladivostokski, g Vladivostok, ul Borodinskaya, d. 4A, pomeshch. 15, Russian Federation OGRN: 1192536021688	<ul> <li>5-538/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national</li> <li>5-539/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national</li> <li>5-540/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national</li> <li>5-541/2021, employment of partially-named DPRK national Chun</li> <li>5-542/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Wang Chol</li> </ul>	In all cases: company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine in the amount of 125,000 roubles		
Kapital OOO (0 "KAIII CTPOI	000 ИТАЛ-	Address: 690002, Primorski kr., g. Vladivostok, prospekt Krasnogo Znameni, d. 59 ofis 607 Russian Federation OGRN: 1132543008311	<ul> <li>5-664/2022, employment of DPRK national Kim K.G.</li> <li>5-667/2022, employment of DPRK national Rim H.S.</li> <li>5-668/2022, employment of DPRK national Pak Sim Hong</li> <li>5-670/2022, employment of DPRK national Chol S.M.</li> <li>5-680/2022, employment of DPRK national Kim Yong Dok</li> <li>5-682/2022, employment of DPRK national Ro II Ho</li> <li>5-683/2022, employment of DPRK national K.H.</li> <li>5-684/2022, employment of DPRK national Ri Kwon Jo</li> <li>33-3940/2022, employment of unnamed DPRK national(s)</li> </ul>	In eight cases: administrative proceedings terminated due to expiration of statute of limitations  In one case (33-3940/2022): previous decision denying claim to recover funds is upheld		
(000	оу ООО АСТРОЙ")	Address: 680045, Khabarovski krai, g.o. gorod Khabarovsk, g Khabarovsk, ul Putevaya, d. 1A, kom.7 Russian Federation OGRN: 1202700021149	<ul> <li>5-343/2022, employment of DPRK national Ri Myung Sam</li> <li>5-344/2022, employment of DPRK national An Yong Guk</li> <li>5-345/2022, employment of DPRK national Chen Chun Bom</li> <li>5-348/2022, employment of DPRK national Rim Yong Chun</li> </ul>	In all cases: company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine with a warning		
Madrid (ООО "МАДІ		Address: 672014, Zabaikalski kr., g. Chita, ul. Inzhenernaya, d. 5, Russian Federation OGRN: 1147536004549	• 5-2061/2021, employment of DPRK national Im S.N. • 5-2062/2021, employment of DPRK national Kim Y.M.	In both cases: company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine in the amount of 125,000 roubles		
Primstr OOO (0 "ПРИМ ДВ")		Address: 692777, Primorski kr., g. Artem, s. Knevichi, per. Treti, d. 3, Russian Federation OGRN: 1192536010160	• 5-150/2022 (5-2216/2021), employment of DPRK national Pak N.H. • 5-151/2022 (5-2217/2021), employment of DPRK national Ju Gwon Men	In both cases: company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine in the amount of 125,000 roubles		

Stroika TS OOO (OOO "СТРОЙКА TC")	Address: 680007, Khabarovski kr., g. Khabarovsk, ul. Volochaevskaya, d. 11 pom. 1 ofis 5, Russian Federation OGRN: 1172724025209	• 5-108/2021, employment of unnamed DPRK national L. • 5-109/2021, employment of DPRK national Ri Song Chol	In one case (5-108/2021): company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine with a warning  In one case: company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine in the amount of 150,000 roubles
Stroytech OOO (OOO "Стройтех")	Address: Primorsky Territory, Ussuriysk urban district, Ussuriysk, Russian Federation (partially anonymized in the court record)	• 5-287/2021, employment of DPRK national Pak Su Nam	D.V. Krivonosov found guilty of committing a crime under the Criminal Code, punished with one year six month probationary period
Technical Solutions OOO (OOO "Технические решения")	Address: 690033, Primorski krai, g.o. Vladivostokski, g Vladivostok, ul Karbysheva, d. 4, ofis 237, Russian Federation OGRN: 1142508000018	• 5-822/2022, employment of DPRK national Ri D.H.	Company found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment of an administrative fine in the amount of 125,000 roubles
Unidentified Companies		<ul> <li>DPRK national Ri Myong Ryol, case number 5-343/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Bae Chol Su, case numbers 5-341/2023 and 5-340/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Paek Gwan Ryong, case number 5-22/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Yun Chol Min, case number 5-21/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Pak Chol Ho, case number 5-20/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Kim Yong Dok, case number 5-33/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Kim Yong Sim, case number 5-750/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Kim Kang Ho, case number 5-750/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Kim Sung Do, case number 5-244/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Kim Un Chol, case number 5-242/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Hong Chol Un, case number 5-35/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Ho Sung Chol, case number 5-43/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Rim Gwang Su, case number 5-43/2023</li> <li>DPRK national Rim Gwang Su, case number 5-2330/2022</li> <li>DPRK national Jang Song Jon, case number 5-1071/2022</li> <li>DPRK national Sim Hyun Suk, case number 5-1070/2022</li> </ul>	In most cases, defendant found guilty of committing an administrative offense with punishment in the form of an administrative fine of 2,000-6,000 roubles, and in approximately 40% of the cases, along with administrative or forced deportation  Several cases returned to eliminate deficiencies, terminated due to absence of administrative offense, or decision canceled due to procedural violation  One criminal case/prosecution terminated

- DPRK national Song Chol Su, case number 5-1069/2022
- DPRK national Kim Chol, case number 5-1068/2022
- DPRK national Kim Jong Nam, case number 5-1067/2022
- DPRK national Cha Chol Min, case number 5-1066/2022
- DPRK national Rim Jun Seong, case number 5-1065/2022
- DPRK national Pak Hyun, case number 5-220/2022
- DPRK national Ma Song Jeong, case number 5-739/2022
- DPRK national Han Su Yong, case number 5-738/2022
- DPRK national Kim Gwang Ho, case number 5-142/2022
- DPRK national Choe Dong Sik, case number 5-141/2022
- DPRK national Chen Jang Song, case number 5-140/2022
- DPRK national Jong Hyo Nam, case number 5-139/2022
- DPRK national Yun Song II, case number 5-138/2022
- DPRK national Pyon Jun Song, case number 5-137/2022
- DPRK national Pak Myong Hak, case number 5-537/2022
- DPRK national Kim Myong Nam, case number 5-537/2022
- DPRK national Yun Song Chol, case number 5-537/2022
- DPRK national Song Mun II, case numbers 5-102/2022 and 12-340/2022
- DPRK national Ri Chol U, case number 5-1011/2022
- DPRK national Kim Jin Sung, case number 5-108/2022
- DPRK national Pak In Guk, case number 5-107/2022
- DPRK national Kim Yong Chol, case number 5-106/2022
- DPRK national Jon Jung Guk, case number 5-105/2022
- DPRK national Jon Gi Chol, case number 5-104/2022
- DPRK national Ri Gwan Song case numbers 16-4128/2021, P16-183/2022, and P16-756/2022
- DPRK national Yun Jon Hyun, case number 16-10369/2021
- DPRK national Kim Chol Su, case number 16-10367/2021
- DPRK national Min Gen Sam, case number 16-10366/2021
- DPRK national Kim Yong Jin, case numbers 5-6548/2021 and 5-6780/2021
- DPRK national Hong Yong Jin, case numbers 5-6550/2021 and 5-6779/2021
- DPRK national Kim Chol Un, case numbers 5-6546/2021 and 5-6786/2021
- DPRK national Yun Song Hak, case numbers 5-6547/2021 and 5-6787/2021
- DPRK national Kim Nam Chol, case numbers 5-6549/2021 and 5-6781/2021
- DPRK national Ri Gum Sok, case numbers 5-6539/2021 and 5-6785/2021

- DPRK national So Gong Chol, case numbers 5-6540/2021 and 5-6783/2021
- DPRK national Rim Gwan Chol, case number 5-6782/2021
- DPRK national Ri Jun Suk, case numbers 5-6537/2021 and 5-6778/2021
- DPRK national Ri Hyok Chol, case numbers 5-6535/2021 and 5-6777/2021
- DPRK national Ri Gwang Hyok, case numbers 5-6538/2021 and 5-6776/2021
- DPRK national Jo Hui Sung, case numbers 5-6552/2021 and 5-6775/2021
- DPRK national Yun Ren Gil, case number 5-908/2021
- DPRK national Rim Gwang Su, case number 5-907/2021
- DPRK national Kim Won Chol, case number 5-1524/2021
- DPRK national An Chol Ho, case number 5-1522/2021
- DPRK national Ri Jin Song, case number 5-1524/2021
- DPRK national Choe Son Ho, case number 1-682/2021
- DPRK national Im Hyun Bom, case number 16-7505/2021
- DPRK national Jon Hok, case number 16-7507/2021
- DPRK national Ryang Jong Hwang, case number 16-7508/2021
- DPRK national Ri Gwan Son, case number 5-651/2021
- DPRK national Sung Nam Yong, case number 5-650/2021
- DPRK individual (name redacted), case number 5-895/2021
- DPRK Min Yun Hong, case number 5-894/2021
- DPRK national Shin Yong Dok, case number 5-1790/2021
- DPRK national Kang Chol, case number 5-1789/2021
- DPRK national Yom Son Nam, case number 5-1788/2021
- DPRK national Kim Un Mok, case number 5-1787/2021
- DPRK national Hu Shigang, case number 5-1986/2021
- DPRK national Zou Yongjun, case number 5-1984/2021
- DPRK national Xu Yuliang, case number 5-1983/2021
- DPRK national Li Yuping, case number 5-1982/2021
- DPRK national Yang Gan, case number 5-1981/2021
- DPRK national Han Huifang, case number 5-1980/2021
- DPRK national Fu Xingzhen, case number Case number 5-1979/2021
- DPRK national Ma Jian, case number 5-1978/2021
- DPRK national Chen Zhengao, case number 5-1977/2021
- DPRK national An Myong Guk, case number 5-792/2021
- DPRK national Yun Gwang Song, case number 5-931/2021
- DPRK national Choe Yong Ho, case number 5-930/2021
- DPRK national Kang Chol Hyok, case number 5-390/2021

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	<ul> <li>DPRK national Choe Chol Hak, case number 5-385/2021</li> <li>DPRK national Kim Gwang Su, case number 5-384/2021</li> </ul>	
	• DPRK national Killi Gwang Su, case number 5-384/2021 • DPRK national Killi Gyong, case number 5-119/2021	

*Note*: Company and individual names have been transliterated from the original Russian-language documents.

Note: As of 26 January 2024, the Panel had not received a response from the Russian Federation and received a response from one company (see directly below).

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SK Kristall LLC informed the Panel that it "was not and is not an employer of any citizens of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), has not and does not involve migrants from the DPRK in performing work," and further noted that the relevant court proceedings were canceled.

The Panel notes that, of the five cases (12-390/2022, 12-391/2022, 12-392/2022, 12-393/2022, and 12-394/2022) in which the proceedings were canceled, as referenced in the reply from SK Kristall LLC, the Panel is able to access one (12-390/2022), in which the prior decision of guilt was canceled due to a procedural violation (because the company was not appropriately notified of the time and place of consideration of the case), and the case was subject to termination due to the expiration of the statute of limitations.

# Annex $76^{244}$ – List of individuals reported by Member States to be DPRK bank representatives $^{245}$

Resolution 2270 (2016), operative paragraph 33: "Decides that States shall prohibit in their territories the opening and operation of new branches, subsidiaries, and representative offices of DPRK banks, decides further that States shall prohibit financial institutions within their territories or subject to their jurisdiction from establishing new joint ventures and from taking an ownership interest in or establishing or maintaining correspondent relationships with DPRK banks, unless such transactions have been approved by the Committee in advance, and decides that States shall take the necessary measures to close such existing branches, subsidiaries and representative offices, and also to terminate such joint ventures, ownership interests and correspondent banking relationships with DPRK banks within ninety days from the adoption of this resolution;"

Resolution 2321 (2016), operative paragraph 33: "Decides that, if a Member State determines that an individual is working on behalf of or at the direction of a DPRK bank or financial institution, then Member States shall expel the individual from their territories for the purpose of repatriation to the individual's state of nationality, consistent with applicable national and international law, unless the presence of the individual is required for fulfillment of a judicial process or exclusively for medical, safety or other humanitarian purposes, or the Committee has determined on a case by case basis that the expulsion of the individual would be contrary to the objectives of resolutions 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2087 (2013), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016), or this resolution;"

Name/Alias	Title and activities **	Location **	Date of birth DPRK passport number / expiry **	Member State response
Sim Hyon Sop (Sim Hyo'n-so'p	Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047) Representative	Dandong, China	DOB: 25 Nov 1983 PP No: 109484100 (expires 24 Dec 2024)	"China conducted serious and thorough investigations on the information provided by the Panel, and did not find any illegal cyber financial activities by the relevant individuals within Chinese border. China consistently and strictly combats illegal cyber financial activities by Chinese laws and regulations in an equal manner no matter if related personnel violate the Security Council Resolutions or not. Besides, the cyber activities mentioned by the Panel do not fall into the scope prohibited by the Resolutions. China requests the Panel to conduct its work according to its mandate, and do not include unrelated content into its report." (2023)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>244</sup> Two members of the Panel are of the view that there is not enough evidence to substantiate the allegation of affiliation and sanctions violation of these individuals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>245</sup> The Russian Federation informed the Panel in 2019 that Foreign Trade Bank (FTB) had ceased operation in 2016.

Choe Un Hyok (Ch'oe, U'n-hyo'k)	Korea United Development Bank (KUDB) (KPe.033) Representative	Moscow, Russian Federation	DOB: 19 Oct 1985 PP No: 83612287	"The Bank of Russia has not received any requests regarding the accreditation in Moscow of a representative of the Korea United Development Bank or the appointment of Choe Un Hyok as its representative. We do not have any information about bank accounts in the name of Choe Un Hyok in Russia." (2020)
Jo Myong Chol	DPRK First Credit Bank Representative	Vladivostok, Russian Federation		The Panel has not received a response from the Russian Federation
Kim Kyong Nam (Kim Kyo'ng-Nam)	Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047) Representative	Moscow, Russian Federation	DOB: 11 Jul 1976	The Panel has not received a response from the Russian Federation
So Myong (aka Semyon Semyonovich)	Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047) Representative	Vladivostok, Russian Federation	DOB: 02 Mar 1978 PP No: 927320285	"Upon receiving the letter [] from [], Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts, we have to share our most serious concern regarding the increasing reliance of the Panel in its work on unilateral sanctions imposed by third parties. It is deeply worrisome that the Panel has started to reference them more and more in its requests, completely disregarding the fact that such sanctions are illegitimate and obviously are out of scope of the relevant decisions of the United Nations Security Council and violate the established processes within the Council and the 1718 Committee. Moreover, we find it most regrettable that we find ourselves in the position when we have to remind the Panel of Experts of its mandate in accordance with the relevant UN SC resolutions. In these circumstances and in the interest of preserving the integrity of the Panel we, as a responsible Member of the 1718 Committee, have no other option, but to "return the letter to the sender", and express our sincere hope that the Panel will continue to fulfill its duties in accordance with its mandate, while reiterating our readiness to continue to see to the implementation of the relevant UN SC decisions." (2023)

Kim Pong Hak	Daesong Credit Development Bank (DCDB) (KPe.049) Representative	Russian Federation		The Panel has not received a response from the Russian Federation
O In Jun	Korea Daesong Bank (KPe.035) Representative	Vladivostok, Russian Federation		The Panel has not received a response from the Russian Federation
Kim Kwang Myong	DPRK Korea Mandal Credit Bank Representative	Dalian, China		"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Jo Chol Song (Cho, Ch'o'l-so'ng) (KPi.058)	Korea Kwangson Banking Corporation (KKBC) (KPe.025) Representative	Dandong, China	DOB: 25 Sep.1984 PP No: 654320502 (expired September 16, 2019)	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Ri Jin Hyok	Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047) Representative	Zhuhai, China		"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of

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Jo Song Ok	DPRK Korea Changsin Bank Representative	Dandong, China		"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Ri Chun Song (Ri Ch'un-so'ng) (KPi.075)	Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047) Representative	Beijing, China	DOB: 30 Oct.1965 PP No: 654133553 (expired 11 March 2019)	"China has closed all representative offices of DPRK financial institutions in China according to the Security Council resolutions. All the relevant representatives have left China. Chinese banks have always strictly implemented the targeted Security Council sanctions, and would not provide any financial services to individuals or entities designated by the Security Council. Considering its cooperative relationship with the Panel, China has overcome great difficulties and has had the commercial banks to carefully investigate the two individuals mentioned in the Panel's letter. There is no transaction involving Ri Chun Hwan in April 2019. There is neither any Ri Chun Song involved transaction record related to the payments from accounts located in China to any Chinese or Russian companies in 2016 and 2017, or any acceptance of payments in June 2017.  Certain Member State arbitrarily designated some DPRK individuals in China or even out of China as DPRK bank representatives without any concrete evidence. Such acts not only defamed China on purpose, but also caused a huge waste of energy of the Panel. Meanwhile, China firmly and

			consistently opposes the US unilateral sanctions. China hopes that the Panel does not quote any related information in the final report, bearing in mind maintaining the authority of the Security Council." (2021)
			"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Kim Won Chol	DPRK Jasong Bank (JSB) Representative and the Korea Kumgang Group (KKG) Bank Representative	Beijing, China	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Kim Chol Song	DPRK Korea Mandal Credit Bank Representative	Shenyang, China	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence

Han Chol Man	Korea Kumgang Group Bank Representative, Golden Triangle Bank Representative, and Jasong Bank Representative	China		"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Jang Myong Chol (Chang, Myo' ng- ch'o' l)	DPRK Koryo Commercial Bank Representative	Dandong, China	DOB: 09 Sep 1968	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Han Hong Gil	DPRK Korea Mandal Credit Bank Representative; associate of the Koryo Commercial Bank	Dandong, China		"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)

Om Chol Jin	DPRK banking associate	China		"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Ryu Jong Yong	DPRK Jasong Bank Representative	Dandong, China		"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Ko II Hwan (Ko Il- hwan)	Korea Daesong Bank (KPe.035) Representative	Shenyang, China	DOB: 28 Aug 1967 PP No: 927220424 (expired 12 Jun 2022)	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)

Kim Jong Chol	Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047) Representative	Shenyang, China	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Choe Chun Pom	DPRK Central Bank Representative	Beijing, China	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)
Nam Sok Chan	Foreign Trade Bank (KPe.047) Representative	Shenyang, China	"Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK." (2024)

Choe Chol Ryong	Korea Kwangson Banking Corporation (KKBC) (KPe.025) Representative	Outside of the DPRK		
Kim Chol Ok	DPRK Korea Daesong Bank (KDB) Representative	Indonesia		The Panel has not received a response from Indonesia
Ri Chang Min	Dong Song Kumgang Bank Representative	Moscow, Russian Federation	DOB: 18 May 1970	"In this regard, I wish to inform you that due to insufficient identification data, it is not possible to provide the requested information regarding Ri Chang Min. The Russian competent agencies have no information about this person's connections with the activities of the bank "Dong Song Kumgang" or about his unlawful actions. No work permits for employment in the Russian Federation are issued to DPRK citizens."

<sup>\*\*</sup>Based on Member State information or UN documents / Sources: Information provided to the Panel by Member States and UN documents.

Annex 77: Member State replies to Panel inquiries on entry/exit data of reported DPRK overseas banking representatives and any measures taken to expel them in accordance with the Security Council resolutions

#### Letter from Russia of 19 February 2024 (see also annex 75)

In this regard, I wish to inform you that due to insufficient identification data, it is not possible to provide the requested information regarding Ri Chang Min. The Russian competent agencies have no information about this person's connections with the activities of the bank "Dong Song Kumgang" or about his unlawful actions. No work permits for employment in the Russian Federation are issued to DPRK citizens.

#### Letter from China of 22 January 2023 (see also annex 40)

Currently, there are no branches or representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. In accordance with the requirements of UN Security Council resolutions, China has revoked all representative offices of the DPRK banks in China. The list provided by the Panel lacks key identity information. Upon name-based inquiry, a large number of identical names were found, making the investigation very difficult, and it is hard to guarantee the accuracy of the investigation. Despite such difficulties, relevant Chinese authorities have conducted serious investigations on the information provided in the letter, and found no evidence of violations of UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK.

#### Letter from the United Arab Emirates of 21 December 2023

- Mr. Sim Hyon Sop entered the UAE on 3 October 2016 with passport No. 109484100.
- The UAE residence visa of Mr. Sim Hyon Sop was cancelled on 21 December 2019, in compliance with the Security Council's 1718 sanctions regime regarding the DPRK.
- Mr. Sim Hyon Sop departed the UAE on 1 December 2022, and his name was added to the UAE's travel ban list.
- Mr. Sim Hyon Sop does not have any bank accounts or commercial companies in the UAE, in compliance with the Security Council's 1718 sanctions regime regarding the DPRK.

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# **Annex 78: Registration information for Epsilon Trade Development Limited (excerpt)**

Epsilon Limited Trade Development (ОБЩЕСТВО С ОГРАНИЧЕННОЙ ОТВЕТСТВЕННОСТЬЮ "ЭПСИЛОН") maintains address 690074, Vladivostok, Posadskaya Street, Building 20, 9th floor, unit 901-3 and OGRN 1212500016410. Commercial databases show the company is in liquidation, as of 10 November 2023.

## ВЫПИСКА из Единого государственного реестра юридических лиц

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2	Сомрану Name ГРН и дата внесения в ЕГРЮЛ записи,	1212500016410	COMPANY
	содержащей указанные сведения	08.07.2021	"EPSILON"
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62	ГРН и дата внесения в ЕГРЮЛ записи, содержащей указанные сведения	2232500002051 09.01.2023	]
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		социального страхования Российской Федерации по Приморскому краю	
66	ГРН и дата внесения в ЕГРЮЛ записи, содержащей указанные сведения	2232500006187 11.01.2023	
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Source: Russian Unified State Register of Legal Entities/Individual Entrepreneurs, annotated by the Panel.

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# Annex 79: Information from the Russian corporate registry on possible DPRK joint ventures/cooperative entities, potentially employing DPRK nationals earning income

The Panel investigated Russian corporate registry records of 81 companies that may be DPRK-Russian joint ventures or cooperative entities, all of which are fully or partially owned or managed by DPRK nationals, which may further be employing DPRK nationals earning income. Of the companies listed in this annex and Annex 82, the Russian Federation responded, "based on the results of the inspection it was found that 82 legal entities noted in the request do not actually operate, although they are listed in the Unified State Register of Legal Entities" and "[i]t should be noted that under the civil legislation of the Russian Federation, limited liability companies are not joint ventures or cooperative organizations." Russian Federation responses on individual companies are included in the table below.

The Panel further recalls that, on 8 January 2019, the Russian Federation informed the Panel that "... in the case of Russian companies having a sole founder who is a citizen of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, such companies are registered strictly as Russian limited liability companies, rather than joint ventures or cooperative entities, making them Russian legal persons with all the legal consequences that follow therefrom. Such companies are not considered subject to the restrictions imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea by the Security Council under paragraph 18 of Security Council resolution 2375 (2017) or under current Russian law." The Russian Federation also informed the Panel on 21 January 2019 that "joint ventures (in Russian law, no such form of legal person exists)" (see S/2019/171, para. 150 and annex 74).

See **Annex 79.1** for the registration documentation of these companies.

Company Name	Owners / directors	Company location (Russian Federation)	Registration numbers	Additional information	Company (C) or Russian Federation (RF) reply
Alis, ООО (ООО "Алис")	– Kim San Man (Ким Сан Ман, DPRK national, INN 254305862059) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Babkin Andrei Valerevich (Бабкин Андрей Валерьевич, Russian national, INN 253909502547) - Director	Vladivostok	OGRN 1162536087230 INN 2543103179 KPP 254301001 OKPO 04838869		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
АМС, ООО (ООО "ЭЙ ЭМ СИ")	– An Chol Hwan (Ан Чол Хван, DPRK, INN 253612060658) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1212500005651 INN 2540259820 KPP 253601001 OKPO 47623292		C: Nationality of individual is ROK
Arirang, OOO (OOO "АРИРАНГ")	– Shin Hye Ok (Шин Хе Ок, DPRK) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Ignatenko Irina Nikolaevna (Игнатенко Ирина Николаевна, Russian, INN 253802000907) - director	Vladivostok	OGRN 1222500027100 INN 2543170087 KPP 253601001 OKPO 79549195		RF: The head of "Arirang" LLC, established in October 2022, is a Russian citizen .
ASM, ООО (ООО "ACM", общество с ограниченной ответственностью "амурстроймастер"	– Pak Ki Hek (Пак Ки Хек, DPRK national, INN 280130120714) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Rebro Aleksandr Anatolevich (Ребро Александр Анатольевич, Russian national, INN 280721377708) - director	Svobodny	OGRN 1192801010247 INN 2807007600 KPP 280701001 OKPO 90891468		RF: The DPRK former founder of the company left the Russian Federation in the 2019-2020 period and was subsequently removed from ownership of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.

ATL Trading, OOO (OOO "АТЛ Трейдинг")	– Kim Ho (Ким Xo, DPRK, INN 254000401127) (90,000 rub., 90%) – Yun Svetlana Anatolevna (Юн Светлана Анатольевна, Russian, INN 251120175805) (10,000 rub., 10%) - director	Vladivostok	OGRN 1112540006908 INN 2540174206 KPP 254001001 OKPO 91816687		RF: There are no DPRK citizens among the founders of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.
Balchzhon, OOO ( ООО "Балчжон")	– Chan Hyon Guk (Чан Хен Гук, DPRK, INN 254306287443) (5,000 rub., 50%) – Romazanov Pavel Vladimirovich (Ромазанов Павел Владимирович, Russian, INN 330902835492) (5,000 rub., 50%) - director	Lakinsk	OGRN 1133327000300 INN 3309003764 KPP 330901001 OKPO 10481118		RF: The DPRK former founder of the company left the Russian Federation in the 2019-2020 period and was subsequently removed from ownership of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.
Briz, ООО ( ООО "Бриз")	<ul> <li>– Ма Rin Jun ( Ма Линьчжун,</li> <li>DPRK, INN 241107224895)</li> <li>(10,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>– Zabortsev Oleg Sergeevich</li> <li>(Заборцев Олег Сергеевич,</li> <li>Russian, INN 240780191347) -</li> <li>director</li> </ul>	Krasnoyarsk	OGRN 1152468064320 INN 2466168073 KPP 246601001 OKPO 41043790		RF: There are no DPRK citizens among the founders of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.
Bugan, ООО ( ООО "Буган")	– Gan Sen Chin (Кан Сен Чин, DPRK, INN 526003670064) (10,000 rub., 100%) - director	Nizhny Novgorod	OGRN 1225200044200 INN 5263150929 KPP 526301001 OKPO 84164333	According to a media report, Bugan, OOO posted an advertisement to hire DPRK construction workers in 2023; advertisement was later removed. <sup>246</sup>	RF: The DPRK former founder of the company left the Russian Federation in the 2019-2020 period and was subsequently removed from ownership of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.

Camping Baza Shaman, OOO (OOO "Кемпинговая База "Шаман")	- Kim Jae Kyu (Ким Чжэ Кю, Russian, INN 254003450972) (10,000 rub., 24%) - Lee Jesok (Ли Чжесок, ROK, INN 254008871244) (10,000 rub., 24%) - Agafonenko Natalya Valerievna (Агафоненко Наталья Валериевна, Russian, INN 253717650301) (8,750 rub., 21%) - director - Ri Sun Ri (Ли Сун Ре, DPRK, INN 253611069841) (8,750 rub., 21%) - Mitskus Elena Olegovna (Мицкус Елена Олеговна, Russian, INN 253902732990) (4,166.67 rub., 10%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1212500012867 INN 2536328171 KPP 253601001 OKPO 60178891	RF: There are no DPRK citizens among the founders of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.
Chansanstroi, OOO ( OOO "Чансанстрой")	– Ri En Shik (E Ен Сик, DPRK, INN 667906101541) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Zhigera Mikhail Aleksandrovich (Жигера Михаил Александрович, Russian, INN 667415362044)-director	Ekaterinburg	OGRN 1156679003161 INN 6679066700 KPP 667901001 OKPO 25011235	RF: The DPRK former founder of the company left the Russian Federation in the 2019-2020 period and was subsequently removed from ownership of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.
Chebeoton, ООО (ООО "Чебеотон")	– Kim Sang Man (Ким Санг Ман, DPRK, <i>no INN</i> ) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Polivoda Yana Vladimirovna (Поливода Яна Владимировна, Russian, INN 251115174605) - Director	Vladivostok	OGRN 1222500027606 INN 2540272806 KPP 254001001 OKPO 99340161	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

Choki, ООО (ООО "Чоки")	– Jon Gil Ryon ( Джон Киль Рён, DPRK, INN 972905167320) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Gavasheli Yuliya Olegovna (Гавашели Юлия Олеговна, Russian, INN 071604327171) - director	Moscow	OGRN 1197746757999 INN 9709058310 KPP 772501001 OKPO 42913571	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 15 DPRK nationals earning income ("workers") in 2023	RF: The DPRK former founder of the company left the Russian Federation in the 2019-2020 period and was subsequently removed from ownership of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.
Cholsan, OOO ( ООО "Чхолсан")	– Генеральная Торговая Компания "Чхолсан" Кндр (Cholsan General Trading Company, DPRK) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Gi In Hwang (Гэ Ен Хван, DPRK, INN 540551616620) - Director	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1045401961054 INN 5405284511 KPP 540501001 OKPO 75840120	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 700 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: Since 22 December 2019 no work permits have been issued to the DPRK citizens at CHKHOLSAN, OOO and no notifications of issuance of relevant labor or civil law contracts have been received.
Cholsan, OOO (ООО "Чхолсан")	<ul> <li>Генеральная Торговая Компания "Чхолсан" КНДР (Cholsan General Trading Company DPRK, DPRK) (10,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>Рокholkov Anatoli Viktorovich (Похолков Анатолий Викторович, Russian, INN 381000420479) - director</li> </ul>	Irkutsk	OGRN 1033801039865 INN 3808094534 KPP 384901001 OKPO 15011653	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 100 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: The company was liquidated in 2021 and does not conduct any activities at present. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.
Dao, OOO SK (OOO CK "Дао")	<ul> <li>- Нао Теlao (Хаотэлао, DPRK, INN 170114539570) (40,000 rub., 80%)</li> <li>- SARF, OOO ( OOO "САРФ") (9,900 rub., 19.80%) (Russian, INN 5404018010; 100% owned by Zhubrin Oleg Ivanovich (Жубрин Олег Иванович, Russian, INN 772580232320))</li> <li>- Den Yuliya Valerevna (Дэн Юлия Валерьевна, Russian, INN 540120952924) (100 rub., 0.20%)</li> </ul>	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1195476006340 INN 5405035240 KPP 540501001 OKPO 35710146		RF: There are no DPRK citizens among the founders of the company. There is no information on the profit made by the DPRK citizen from the activities of the company. No other facts were found regarding possible violations of the DPRK UN sanctions regime.

Denkostroi, OOO (OOO "Денкострой")	– Kim In Chol (Ким Ин Чер, DPRK, INN 132612917409) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Yun Myong Bong (Юн Мен Бон, ROK, INN 165816933241) - director	Kazan	OGRN 1151690016686 INN 1658176887 KPP 166001001 OKPO 82332803		RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Dom-Master, OOO ( OOO "Дом- Мастер")	- Ro Chen Nam (Ро Чен Нам, DPRK, INN 723011732388) (15,000 rub., 100%) - Sin Do Nam (Син До Нам, DPRK, INN 723021338704) - director	Tyumen	OGRN 1147232021848 INN 7203309414 KPP 720301001 OKPO 32734459	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 40 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Economic Technical Cooperation, OOO (OOO "ЭТС")	– Song Yong Nam (Сонг Ыонг Нам, DPRK, INN 254010842258) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1192536006244 INN 2537139579 KPP 253701001 OKPO 36208259		RF: The DPRK citizens who are occupied by this company are undergoing their educational internship there. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.
Enisei, ООО (ООО "Енисей")	– Kim Dok Sam (Ким Док Сам) – owner – Ri In Chol (Ли Ен Чер, DPRK, INN 525801031616) - director	Krasnoyarsk	OGRN 1082468027432 INN 2466210127 KPP 246601001 OKPO 86620723	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 500 DPRK workers in 2023  According to commercial business databases, Enisei, OOO has bid on and won supply contracts for Russian State agencies, with the	RF: There is no existing company with this name. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.

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Enisei-K, OOO (ООО "Енисей-К")	- Ri In Chol (Ли Ен Чер, DPRK, INN 525801031616) (10,000 rub., 100%) - Gadzhiev Nadir Islam Ogly (Гаджиев Надир Ислам Оглы, Russian, INN 246202477060) - director	Krasnoyarsk	OGRN 1172468020890 INN 2466180313 KPP 246501001 OKPO 13376190		RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Epsilon, OOO (ООО "Эпсилон")	– Choi Chon Gon (Чой Чон Гон, Russian, INN 650114643613) (5,100 rub., 51%) - director – So Myong (Со Мен, DPRK, INN 254342019464,) (4,900 rub., 49%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1212500016410 INN 2543158731 KPP 254001001 OKPO 50440164	See also para. 167(Sp Myong) and Epsilon], Annexes 71 and 72	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Everest, ООО (ООО "Эверест")	— Weng Kwe Hui (Вэн Хуэйхуэй, DPRK, INN 713079732074) (10,000 rub., 50%) — Zhu Fuying (Чжу Фуин, Chinese, INN 713079732148) (5,000 rub., 25%) — Lyao Shoutszyun ( Ляо Шоуцзюнь, Chinese, INN 713079731970) (5,000 rub., 25%) — Gorokhova Ilvira Rashitovna (Горохова Ильвира Рашитовна, Russian, INN 710600136425) - director	Tula	OGRN 1107154026320 INN 7107525684 KPP 710701001 OKPO 67624000		RF: It is known for certain that there are no DPRK citizens among the founders of this company. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.

Falcon Krest Management, ООО ( ООО "Фэлкон Крэст Менеджмент")	– Ri Ken Jon ( Ли Кен Джон, DPRK, INN 253612825000) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1022501311601 INN 2536091557 KPP 254001001 OKPO 52112889	RF: The founder of this company is a citizen of the Republic of Korea. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.
Fiton, OOO SP (OOO СП "Фитон")	– Department for the Production of Drugs of the Ministry of Health of the DPRK (Управление По Производству Корепрепаратов Министерства Здравоохранения КНДР) (80,000 rub., 40%)  – Galkina Elena Yurevna (Галкина Елена Юрьевна, Russian, INN 753400453629) (69,000 rub., 34.50%)  – Department of State Property and Land Relations of the Trans-Baikal Territory (Департамент Имущества Забайкальского Края, OGRN 1087536008801, INN 7536095984, KPP 753601001, OKPO 24738294) (51,000 rub., 25.50%)  – Galkin Nikolai Anatolevich (Галкин Николай Анатольевич, Russian, INN 753400222389) - director	Chita	OGRN 1027501147750 INN 7536033674 KPP 753601001 OKPO 05877280	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

Genstroi-Okryu, OOO ( OOO "Генстрой-Окрю")	<ul> <li>– Dobrynin Roman Germanovich (Добрынин Роман Германович, Russian, INN 666403024183) (5,100 rub., 51%)</li> <li>– Pak Ju II (Пак Зу Ир, DPRK, INN 668504679775) (4,900 rub., 49%)</li> <li>– Bolotbek Uulu Kalnazar (Болотбек Уулу Калназар, Kyrgyzstani, INN 667807801253) - director</li> </ul>	Ekaterinburg	OGRN 1156658013808 INN 6670315744 KPP 667801001 OKPO 51815666		RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Geonrim, OOO ( OOO "Геонрим")	– Shin Song Ho (Син Сен Хо, DPRK, INN 250212857820) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Tsarev Dmitri Vladimirovich (Царёв Дмитрий Владимирович, Russian, INN 253812406286) - director	Artem	OGRN 1162536085744 INN 2502055818 KPP 250201001 OKPO 04620567		RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Good Choice Co. LTD (ООО "Гуд Чойс")	– An Hyon Jang ( Ан Хё Чан, DPRK, INN 253616084233) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1122536004579 INN 2536252420 KPP 253601001 OKPO 38568826		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Gvanbok 3, ООО ( ООО "Гванбок 3")	- Tishko Pavel Eduardovich (Тишко Павел Эдуардович, Russian, INN 695007619850) (108,000 rub., 90%) – director – Pak Chan Bok ( Пак Чан Бок, DPRK, INN 540543017976) (12,000 rub., 10%)	Tverskaya	OGRN 1126952029973 INN 6950160236 KPP 694901001 OKPO 10826408	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 50 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Intellekt, ООО (ООО "Интеллект")	– Kozlov Sergei Mikhailovich ( Козлов Сергей Михайлович, Russian, INN 638200030027) (7,000 rub., 70%) – director – Jon Jin Yong ( Чон Чин Ен, DPRK, INN 773169419890) (3,000 rub., 30%)	Moscow	OGRN 1197746161711 INN 7701080141 KPP 773101001 OKPO 36481498	According to a Member State, Jon Jin Yong worked with Kozlov Sergei Mikhailovich to coordinate the use of DPRK construction workers in Russia and served as a	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

director of one of Kozlov's companies. Jon Jin Yong reportedly led a team of DPRK information technology (IT) workers in Russia and worked with Russian nationals to obtain identification documents to validate the DPRK IT team's accounts on freelance IT work platforms. Some of the identity documents were reportedly from family members or Russian employees of Kozlov. Jon Jin
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Kanson, OOO (OOO "Кансон")	<ul> <li>– Pak Myong Chol ( Пак Мыонг Чоль, DPRK, INN 502991481475)</li> <li>(12,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>– Galman Oleg Nikolaevich</li> <li>( Гальман Олег Николаевич.</li> <li>Russian, INN 772995741974) -</li> <li>director</li> </ul>	Moscow	OGRN 1145027010985 INN 5027210830 KPP 771601001 OKPO 32998632	According to a Member State, suspected of employing 2 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Konmen, OOO ( OOO "Конмен")	— Choe Myong Chol ( Цой Мионг Чол, DPRK, INN 540703027414) (10,000 rub., 51.02%)  — Mamaev Serdar Mineevich ( Мамаев Сердар Минеевич, Russian, INN 540540745374) (9,600 rub., 48.98%)  — Lipovtseva Larisa Nikolaevna ( Липовцева Лариса Николаевна, Russian, INN 540436326137) - director	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1135476075525 INN 5404484116 KPP 540401001 OKPO 23613068	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 100 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Konsol, РК ( ПК "Консол")	– Kim Aleksei Vladimirovich ( Ким Алексей Владимирович, Russian, INN 272513091350) (2,000 rub., 20%) - cooperative chair – Kim Chol Ho (Ким Чер Хо, DPRK, INN 272304014432) (2,000 rub., 20%) – Ri En Ho (Ли Ен Хо, DPRK, INN 272304015002) (2,000 rub., 20%) – Pak Won Sam (Пак Вон Сам, DPRK, INN 272410631797) (2,000 rub., 20%) – Son Jun II (Сон Чун Ир, DPRK, no INN) (2,000 rub., 20%)	Khabarovsk	OGRN 1222700008376 INN 2724249405 KPP 272401001 OKPO 49382496		RF: There is no existing company with this name. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.

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Koten, ООО (ООО "Котен")	- Koten, OOO (Russian) (9,184.43 rub., 45%) - Kim Gym Dya (Ким Гым Дя, Russian, INN 650103925944) (5,206.59 rub., 25.51%) - Ko Dong Jin (Ко Донг Чжин, DPRK, INN 651000345083) (3,977.83 rub., 19.48%) - AO «Хангуксахалинчжавонкэбаль» (ID# 1101115419886, ROK) (2,040.98 rub., 10%) - Zozulya Vladimir Anatolevich (Зозуля Владимир Анатольевич, Russian, INN 650200397979) - director	Aleksandrov sk- Sakhalinski	OGRN 1116501004531 INN 6501239619 KPP 650201001 OKPO 69918846	According to business databases, Koten, OOO has bid on and won four supply contracts for Russian State agencies, as recently as late 2021.249	RF: The founder of this company is a citizen of the Republic of Korea. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.
KR-Stroi, ООО (ООО "КР-Строй")	– Choe Yun Myong ( Чое Юн Мыонг, DPRK, INN 250216808951) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Artemovski	OGRN 1232500005760 INN 2502071217 KPP 250201001 OKPO 95050058		RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Maiskoe, ООО (ООО "Майское")	- Chzhiyuan Ma (Чжиюань Ma, DPRK INN 246610127031) (45,000 rub., 45%) - Kordoeva Emiliya Arkadevna (Кордоева Эмилия Аркадьевна, Russian, INN 040401170277) (30,000 rub., 30%) - director - ООО "Шипуновские Закрома" (OGRN 1142468024160, Russian)) (25,000 rub., 25%)	Barnaul	OGRN 1172225021242 INN 2222858668 KPP 222501001 OKPO 10356531		RF: It is known for certain that there are no DPRK citizens among the founders of this company. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.

Maru, OOO (OOO "Mapy")	– Ri Songbe (Ли Сонгбэ, DPRK, INN 507505934591) (50 000 rub., 100%)	Moscow	OGRN 5157746210496 INN 7743134487 KPP 774301001 OKPO 52688081		RF: The DPRK citizens who are occupied by this company are undergoing their educational internship there. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.
Medifeis, OOO ( OOO "Медифейс")	— Artemenko Sergei Viktorovich ( Артёменко Сергей Викторович, Russian, INN 272113166402) (5,000 rub., 50%) — Kim Sung Han ( Ким Сунг Хан, DPRK, INN 272412112821) (5,000 rub., 50%) — Losik Dmitri Viktorovich ( Лосик Дмитрий Викторович, Russian, INN 272405289218) - director	Khabarovsk	OGRN 1162724071135 INN 2724213470 KPP 272401001 OKPO 03243795		RF: The DPRK citizen who used to be a founder of this company has left the Russian Federation and was subsequently removed from the lists of the founders of this organization. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in those companies.
Megatour, ООО ( ООО "Мегатур")	– Kim Joo Hi ( Ким Чжухи, DPRK, INN 254300253208) (9,000 rub., 90%)  – Kim Tatyana Radikovna (Ким Татьяна Радиковна, Russian, INN 250811762279) (1,000 rub., 10%)  – Kim Valentina Radionovna (Ким Валентина Радионовна, Russian, INN 252533452876) - director	Vladivostok	OGRN 1072508001510 INN 2508078561 KPP 254301001 OKPO 80908104		RF: The DPRK citizens who are occupied by this company are undergoing their educational internship there. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.
Mire-1, ООО (ООО " Мирэ-1")	– Kim Chung Sung (Ким Чхун Сен, DPRK, INN 231132258073) (10 000 rub., 100%) – Pak Sun Sam (Пак Сун Сам, DPRK, INN 231222877751) – Director	Krasnodar	OGRN 1152312010718 INN 2312233847 KPP 231201001 OKPO 29573917		RF: There is no existing company with this name. There is no evidence concerning the profit of DPRK citizens in this company.
Moran, OOO (OOO "Моран")	– Ro Myong Hak (Po Мен Хак, DPRK, INN 667905580958) (100,000 rub., 100%) - director	Ekaterinburg	OGRN 1146679006891 INN 6679048370 KPP 667901001 OKPO 35162265	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 100 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

MTS, OOO (OOO "МЦ") - Massage Center, OOO	- Choe Myong Chol ( Цой Мионг Чол, DPRK, INN 540703027414) (15,750 rub., 50%) - Jin Song In (Зен Сен Ен, China, INN 540144059124) (15,750 rub., 50%) - Kim Hyon Su - director (Ким Хен Су, DPRK, INN 540553983584)	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1125476111551 INN 5401359519 KPP 540601001 OKPO 11828386	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
My Key, ООО (ООО "Май Кей")	– Kim Hee Won (Ким Хи Вон, DPRK, INN 770373148437) (7,500 rub., 75%)  – Kim Umji (Ким Умджи, <i>no INN</i> ) (2,500 rub., 25%)  – Novikova Violetta Anatolevna (Новикова Виолетта Анатольевна, Russian, INN 272004664292) - director	Moscow	OGRN 1207700353410 INN 9702023301 KPP 770201001 OKPO 45758941	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Nakhotek, OOO (OOO "Haxotek")	- Ryang Yon Rim (Рян Ен Рим, DPRK, INN 250822274107) (10,000 rub., 100%) - Bogdanovski Pavel Nikolaevich (Богдановский Павел Николаевич, Russian, INN 253805519345) - director	Partizansk	OGRN 1162536072412 INN 2508127000 KPP 250801001 OKPO 03165776	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Neftyanaya Stolitsa, OOO ( OOO "Нефтяная Столица")	– Zhao Ying (Чжао Ин, Chinese, INN 723002840700) (38,950 rub., 50%) – Zou Yanchun (Цзоу Яньчунь, DPRK, INN 720323928310) (38,950 rub., 50%) - director	Tyumen	OGRN 1037200569768 INN 7203079263 KPP 720301001 OKPO 12480784	It was also established that among the founders of NEFTYANAYA STOLITSA, OOO there are no DPRK citizens. The Russian competent authorities have no information regarding the North Korean citizens profiting from the activities of the legal entities mentioned in the request.
Novostroi, OOO (OOO "Новострой")	– Jang Gum Chol ( Чан Гым Чер, DPRK, INN 250307574563) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Choe Kwang Yong ( Цой Кван Ен, DPRK, INN 250821718173) - director	Nakhodka	OGRN 1192536033997 INN 2508136679 KPP 250801001 OKPO 42010165	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

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Primagrosoya, ООО ( ООО "Примагросоя")	– Korean General Corporation "Китдап" (Корейская Генеральная Корпорация "Кымган", DPRK) (9,900,000 rub., 50%)  – Primagrosoya, OOO (Russian) (9,900,000 rub., 50%)  – Korneev Yuri Aleksandrovich (Корнеев Юрий Александрович, Russian, INN 250600049710) - director	Dalnerechen sk	OGRN 1122508002132 INN 2508110960 KPP 250601001 OKPO 10228187	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 5 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Pyongyang Construction Company, OOO (OOO "Пхеньянская Строительная Компания", OOO "ПСК")	– Kim Hyon Hee ( Ким Хен Хи, DPRK, INN 701744227742) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Kiporenko Tatyana Vladimirovna ( Кипоренко Татьяна Владимировна, Russian, INN 702203663197) - director	Tomsk	OGRN 1107017004170 INN 7017257303 KPP 701701001 OKPO 64109846	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 250 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Construction Company Rai (SK Rai), ООО ( ООО"СК"Рай")	– Ri Bom Chol (Ли Бом Чхор, DPRK, INN 344409777950) (12,000 rub., 100%) – Kim Chol Song (Ким Чхоль Сон, DPRK, INN 344411719201) - director	Volgograd	OGRN 1123444003330 INN 3444193695 KPP 344401001 OKPO 09555113	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 750 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Raistroi, ООО ( ООО "Райстрой")	– Kim En Chol (Ким Ен Чер, DPRK, INN 250211858050) (10,000 rub., 100%) – Ri Sen Nam (Ли Сен Нам, DPRK, INN 254305594667) - director	Artem	OGRN 1062502018072 INN 2502029889 KPP 250201001 OKPO 94933146	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 170	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

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Rakvon, OOO ( ООО "Раквон")	– Pak Un Hwa ( Пак Ен Хва, DPRK, INN 540550342230) (12,000 rub., 100%) – Ri Kang Ho ( Ли Ган Хо, DPRK, INN 540551491509) - director	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1125476063613 INN 5404459511 KPP 540401001 OKPO 38794675	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 450 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Rakvon, OOO ETS (OOO ЭТС "Раквон")	– Kim Jon Chol (Ким Чен Чер, DPRK, INN 165925271421) (20,000 rub., 100%) – Kim Evgeni Georgevich (Ким Евгений Георгевич, Russian, INN 165925589373) - director	Kazan	OGRN 1065262097779 INN 5262154409 KPP 166001001 OKPO 96650955	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 350 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: RAKVON, OOO ETS has been officially liquidated.
SP Rakvon-Rai, ООО (ООО "Сп Раквон-Раи")	- Kim Chon ( Ким Чон, DPRK, INN 190210199752) (10,000 rub., 100%) - Voitov Sergei Vladimirovich ( Войтов Сергей Владимирович, Russian, INN 190200219897) - director	Sayanogorsk	OGRN 1151902000249 INN 1902026425 KPP 190201001 OKPO 29634205		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Resurs DV, OOO ( OOO "Pecypc ДВ")	– Pan Yong Yong (Пан Ен Ён, DPRK, INN 222261826481) (14,000 rub., 100%) – Ri Sang Ok (Ри Санг Ок, DPRK, 254341107911) - Director	Vladivostok	INN 2540178970 OGRN 1122540001055 KPP 253701001 OKPO 38559661		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Rokoms, OOO ( OOO "Рокомс")	– Pak Yu Yun ( Пак Ю Еун, DPRK, INN 253716783563) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1102537005724 INN 2537085316 KPP 254301001 OKPO 68543232		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

Krasnoyarsk Office of the General Foreign Trading Company "Ronrado", ООО ( ООО Кфгво "Рынрадо")	– Kim Se Chun (Ким Се Чун, DPRK, INN 246531378755) (12,500 rub., 100%) – Ri Hyok Chol (Ри Хек Чер, DPRK, INN 246531845791) - director	Krasnoyarsk	OGRN 1022401784679 INN 2460052058 KPP 246501001 OKPO 55434211	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 600 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Roskor, OOO ( OOO "Роскор")	- Choe Myong Chol (Цой Мионг Чол, DPRK, INN 540703027414) - 50% - Peshcherov Sergei Valentinovich (Пещеров Сергей Валентинович, Russian, INN 540409542749) - 50%, director	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1125476226138 INN 5404474982 KPP 540401001 OKPO 21005585	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 50 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Ruscom, OOO ( OOO "Руском")	– Ri Sun Rye (Ли Сун Pe, DPRK, INN 253611069841)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1222500013031 INN 2543166034 KPP 254301001 OKPO 48457281		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Ryn-Yarstroi, ООО (ООО "Рын- Ярстрой")	<ul> <li>– Pak Gwang Son (Пак Гван Сен, DPRK, INN 760418687474)</li> <li>(10,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>– Atif Karim Bashirovich (Атиф Карим Баширович, Russian, INN 760307908738) - director</li> </ul>	Yaroslavl	OGRN 1167627098880 INN 7604315983 KPP 760601001 OKPO 05596032		The DPRK citizen who was the founder of RYN-YARSTROI, OOO left the Russian Federation and therefore was removed from the list of owners of these organizations.
Rynra, OOO (OOO "Рынра")	<ul> <li>- Chon Dae Bom ( Чон Тхэ Бом, DPRK, INN 246609295049)</li> <li>(10,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>- Osmanov Elshad Ilkham Ogly (Османов Эльшад Ильхам Оглы, Russian, INN 246524976289)-director</li> </ul>	Krasnoyarsk	OGRN 1152468055486 INN 2466167030 KPP 246601001 OKPO 41034651		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Construction Company Rynrado (SK Rynrado), OOO ( OOO "CK РЫНРАДО")	<ul> <li>- Ri Hak Chol ( Ли Хак Чер,</li> <li>DPRK, INN 540312312614)</li> <li>(10,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>- Golovlev Roman Evgenevich</li> <li>( Головлев Роман Евгеньевич,</li> </ul>	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1205400041857 INN 5405057195 KPP 540501001 OKPO 46053065	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 650	It was also established that among the founders of SK RYNRADO, OOO there are no DPRK citizens. The Russian competent authorities have no information regarding the North Korean citizens profiting from the activities of

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Stroika-5, ООО (ООО "Стройка-5")	— Foreign Construction Company Photongan (Внешнестроительное Общество "Пхотонган") (DPRK) (6,000 rub., 60%)  — Dudin Aleksandr Evlampievich (Дудин Александр Евлампиевичт, Russian, INN 381250476570) (2,000 rub., 20%)  — Kulikov Daniil Danilovich (Куликов Даниил Данилович, Russian, INN 380801332222) (2,000 rub., 20%)  — Pulyaevskaya Lyudmila Ivanovna (Пуляевская Людмила Ивановна, Russian, INN 381001461340) - director	Irkutsk	OGRN 1023801549133 INN 3811074231 KPP 381001001 OKPO 15018610	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 75 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: STROIKA-5 has been officially liquidated.
Stroiproekt, OOO ( OOO "Стройпроект")	<ul> <li>Ryon Chol Jun (Рян Чхор Зун, DPRK, INN 250213051180)</li> <li>(10,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>O Jang Bok (О Чхан Бок, DPRK, no INN) - director</li> </ul>	Artem	OGRN 1162536094710 INN 2502056152 KPP 250201001 OKPO 02681599		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Tandao, OOO ( OOO "Тандао")	— Wan Hun (Ван Хун, DPRK, INN 668604995767) (8,000 rub., 80%)  — Kuzko Anatoli Borisovich (Кузько Анатолий Борисович, Russian, INN 773372448056) (2,000 rub., 20%) - director	Moscow	OGRN 5157746049775 INN 7736255970 KPP 773601001 OKPO 17325568		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
TSK Daigon, OOO ( OOO "TCK "Дайгон")	- Ri Chan Hyo ( Ли Чхан Хё, DPRK, INN 381119927241) (5,000 rub., 50%) - Minyaev Evgeni Yurevich (Миняев Евгений Юрьевич, Russian, INN 381019920108) (5,000 rub., 50%) - director	Irkutskaya	OGRN 1213800000083 INN 3810086682 KPP 381001001 OKPO 21799303		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

Vitamin ABC, LLC ( ООО "Витамин ABC")	– An Chol Hwan ( Ан Чол Хван, DPRK, INN 253612060658) (30,000 rub., 100%) – Tsydendambaeva Erzhena Zhamyanovna ( Цыдендамбаева Эржена Жамьяновна, Russian, INN 031002370304) - director	Vladivostok	OGRN 1182536027189 INN 2536312012 KPP 253601001 OKPO 32252341		C: Nationality of individual is ROK
VSL, ООО ( ООО "ВСЛ")	- Ri Son Be ( Ли Сун Pe, DPRK, INN 253611069841) (10,000 rub., 100%) - Domanskaya Nina Viktorovna (Доманская Нина Викторовна, Russian, INN 253908734400) - Director	Vladivostok	OGRN 1182536023669 INN 2536311403 KPP 253601001 OKPO 31638794		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Yaksan, OOO ( OOO "ЯКСАН")	– Kim Un Sik ( Ким Ун Сик, DPRK, INN 540550122516) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Novosibirsk	OGRN 1175476009466 INN 5405994208 KPP 540501001 OKPO 06513031		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
ZB-Stroi, OOO ( OOO "ЗБ-Строй")	<ul> <li>– Pak Chol San ( Пак Чол Сан,</li> <li>DPRK, INN 246533076799)</li> <li>(10,000 rub., 100%)</li> <li>– Kirillova Natalya Rashidovna</li> <li>( Кириллова Наталья Рашидовна,</li> <li>Russian, INN 246005195355) -</li> <li>director</li> </ul>	Krasnoyarsk	OGRN 1162468084294 INN 2465147306 KPP 246001001 OKPO 03050961		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Zenko-1, ООО ( ООО "Зенко-1")	– Yu Yong Nam (Ю Ыонг Нам, DPRK, INN 253617535190) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Vladivostok	OGRN 1192536034338 INN 2543144464 KPP 253601001 OKPO 42067946		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Zenko-28, ООО ( ООО "Зенко-28")	- Son Guk II (Сон Кук Ир, DPRK, INN 251121515532) (11,000 rub., 100%) - Balobasov Dmitri Leonidovich (Балобасов Дмитрий Леонидович, Russian, INN 410101060035) - director	Ussurisk	OGRN 1062724056042 INN 2724093959 KPP 251101001 OKPO 95254447	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 60 DPRK workers in 2023	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

Zenko-39, ООО ( ООО "Зенко-39")	– Jang Chin Man (Чан Чин Мен, DPRK, INN 772995534618) (5,000 rub., 50%) – Chen Gon Chol (Чен Ген Чер, Russian, INN 231124477339) (5,000 rub., 50%) – Ryu Jung Ryong (Рю Чхун Рён, DPRK, INN 231133389520) - Director	Krasnodar	OGRN 1092308007670 INN 2308160794 KPP 231101001 OKPO 63233343	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 600 DPRK workers in 2023	RF: Since 22 December 2019 no work permits have been issued to the DPRK citizens at ZENKO-39, OOO and no notifications of issuance of relevant labor or civil law contracts have been received. The DPRK citizens who were the founders of ZENKO-39, OOO, left the Russian Federation and therefore were removed from the list of owners of these organizations.
Zolotaya Zvezda, OOO ( OOO "Золотая Звезда")	– Kim Chang Bo (Ким Чхан Бо, DPRK, INN 231222189191) (10,000 rub., 100%)	Krasnodar	OGRN 1172375003382 INN 2310197801 KPP 231001001 OKPO 06383918		The DPRK citizen who was the founder of ZOLOTAYA ZVEZDA, OOO, has left the Russian Federation and therefore was removed from the list of owners of these organizations.

*Note*: Company and individual names have been transliterated from the original Russian-language documents.

Source: Russian Federation corporate registry records, commercial business databases, Panel investigations, Member States.

## Annex 80: Russian Federation reply on So Myong, Choi Chon Gon and Epsilon Limited Trade Development

Upon receiving the letter OC.159 from [...], Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts, we have to share our most serious concern regarding the increasing reliance of the Panel in its work on unilateral sanctions imposed by third parties. It is deeply worrisome that the Panel has started to reference them more and more in its requests, completely disregarding the fact that such sanctions are illegitimate and obviously are out of scope of the relevant decisions of the United Nations Security Council and violate the established processes within the Council and the 1718 Committee. Moreover, we find it most regrettable that we find ourselves in the position when we have to remind the Panel of Experts of its mandate in accordance with the relevant UN SC resolutions. In these circumstances and in the interest of preserving the integrity of the Panel we, as a responsible Member of the 1718 Committee, have no other option, but to "return the letter to the sender", and express our sincere hope that the Panel will continue to fulfill its duties in accordance with its mandate, while reiterating our readiness to continue to see to the implementation of the relevant UN SC decisions.

Annex 81: Member State information on bank accounts maintained by Chinyong Information Technology Cooperation Company to launder illicit revenue acquired by DPRK IT workers<sup>251</sup> <sup>252</sup>

Bank Name	Account Number	Country
	6228480048628072976	China
	6228480049037710000	China
	6228480048628070000	China
	6230520040022230000	China
	6230520590021956972	China
	6217850400007690000	China
	6210810730036040000	China
	6217000730017650000	China
	6217000730012086852	China
	6217682902576070	China
	622203330100958000	China
	622908349145594000	China
	622908349145869000	China
	622908349146258000	China
	622908349146418000	China
	622908349145869215	China
	6216916502748110	China
	6216916503395990	China
	6216916503395992	China
	6216916502748118	China
	621691650339599	China
	6217992210020837695	China
	6217992210020830000	China
	6223092210010290000	China
or	6217000730022979690	China
or	6212263301020748983	China
or	6217850400009615649	China

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 $<sup>^{251}</sup>$  Note: These accounts may be in the names of non-DPRK proxies whom DPRK IT workers pay for use of the proxy accounts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>252</sup> The lead expert on this issue does not agree with redacting the bank names of one country.

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	6222033301009588325	China
	6217000730012086845	China
CJSC ALFA-BANK	458443282159	Russia
Savings Bank of the Russian Federation	427650002842	Russia
Savings Bank of the Russian Federation	427650002949	Russia
Savings Bank of the Russian Federation	427650004820	Russia
Savings Bank of the Russian Federation	427650005390	Russia
Savings Bank of the Russian Federation	427938067262	Russia
Savings Bank of the Russian Federation	546950001464	Russia
Savings Bank of the Russian Federation	546950001656	Russia
VTB Bank OJSC	536829101381	Russia
Tinkoff Bank	553691390605	Russia

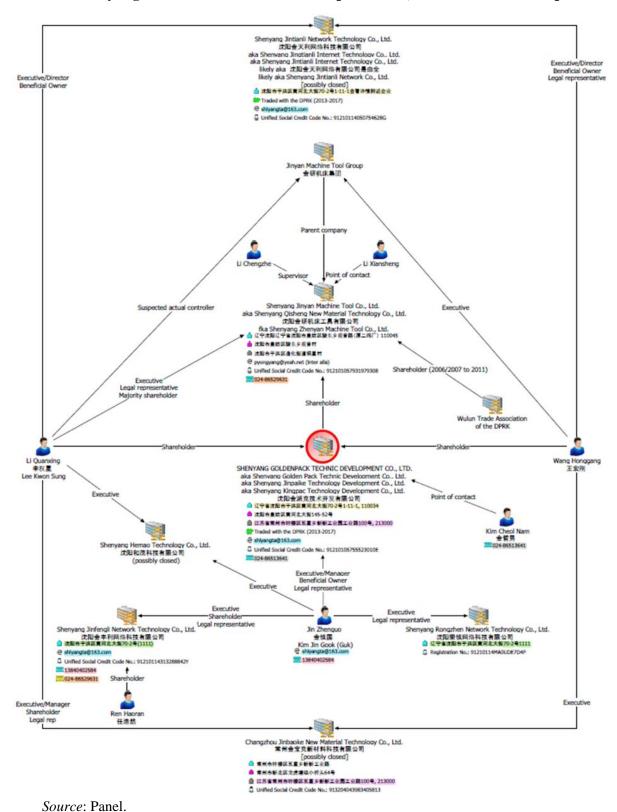
Annex 82<sup>253</sup>: Member State information on bank accounts used by Shenyang GoldenPack Technic Development Co., Ltd (沈阳金派克技术开发有限公司) to launder money on behalf of by Chinyong Information Technology Cooperation Company's overseas DPRK IT workers

Bank Name	Account Number	Country
	621691650339599	China
	6230520590021956972	China

<sup>253</sup> The lead expert on this issue does not agree with redacting the bank names of one country.

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Annex 83: Shenyang GoldenPack Technic Development Co., Ltd and related companies



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## Annex 84: Member State replies to Panel enquiries on Chinyong Information Technology Cooperation Company-related bank accounts and Shenyang GoldenPack Technic Development Co., Ltd

<u>China</u>: "Based on thorough investigations conducted on the information provided by the Panel and found no evidence that the relevant banking accounts violated UN Security Council resolutions related to the DPRK."

<u>Russian Federation</u>: "The research showed that VTB Bank OJSC and CJSC ALFA-BANK have not opened up to date any of the banking accounts enlisted in the request. 6 out of 8 enlisted banking accounts have not been opened by Tinkoff Bank. The other two accounts belong to Russian nationals. There has been no evidence found that these Russian nationals are related to the DPRK company Chinyong Information Technology Cooperation Company."

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Annex 85<sup>254</sup>: Member State information on bank accounts in China utilized by a Ministry of the People's Armed Forces (KPe.054; aka Ministry of Defense, Ministry of National Defense) subordinate, 53 Department (aka 53 Bureau), to remit earnings back to the control of 53 Department headquarters

Bank Name	Account Number
	6228480651791066012
	6228480598009645576
	6228480598984746670
	6228480040982962314
	6228480405985833673
	6228450598045896874
	6228480040931503615
	6228480049053963978
	6228480049106904573
	6228480049036571476
	6228480048557360178
	6228450010019377311
	6230520660077960176
	6228450018065928770
	6228490048013665473
	6228480598962490473
	6214680052525555
	6216610500001223590
	6216690400000827249
	6013820500993112899
	6216690400000504244
	4563510400014862906
	6222020707000477018
	016120101130097002
	6212250200002118006
	6217000180029387242
	6222620440000830747
_	6226621906546740
	6226681900094519
	6226621907113672
	6214351242416472
	6214830207467621
	6217000610004236907
	6227003811740281878

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>254</sup> The lead expert on this issue does not agree with redacting the bank names of one country.

6222620440000359259
6230200122959740
 6222030200014260594
6212260707001828995
6222033301010216080
6222030707002319547
6222030707000922771
6222084000005998631
6222030705000062259
6222080707000722071
9558883301000144636
6222620440001391533
6222620310008316215

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## Annex 86<sup>255</sup>: Information on Yantai Jinmin Industry and Trade Company (烟台**锦**旻工**贸**有限公司, Uniform Social Credit Code 91370600690624493F)

According to a Member State, Chinese national Li Zhenyu (DOB 8 February 1977, associated with identification number 210113197702085618), owner and legal representative of Yantai Jinmin Industry and Trade Company, is associated with the effort to establish a joint venture with Green Pine Associated Corporation (KPe.010).



Source: National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System, Panel annotations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>255</sup>One member of the Panel is of the view that evidence in this Annex should be further corroborated.

## Annex 87<sup>256</sup>: Information from the Russian corporate registry on possible Russia-registered DPRK companies potentially employing DPRK nationals earning income

The Panel investigated Russian corporate registry records of well as 42 Russia-registered DPRK entities, which may be employing DPRK nationals earning income. Of the companies listed in this annex and Annex 73, the Russian Federation responded, "based on the results of the inspection it was found that 82 legal entities noted in the request do not actually operate, although they are listed in the Unified State Register of Legal Entities." Russian Federation responses on individual companies are included in the table below.

Company name	DPRK owners / directors	Company location (Russian Federation)	Registration numbers	Additional information	Comments
Aisprint Konsulting, FL KOO (ФЛ КОО "Айспринт консультинг")	Kim Geng II (Ким Генг Ил)	Saint Petersburg	INN 9909323950 OKPO 65977591		RF: Russian Federation replied that Aisprint Konsulting, FL KOO had been officially liquidated.
Aprokkan, Pred OTZ (Пред OT3 "Апроккань") - Korea Amnokgang Technology Development Corporation Vladivostok Representative Office	Ri Yong Tae (Ри Ыонг Tae) Hong Yong Sen	Vladivostok	INN 9909344990 KPP 253751001 OKPO 91800858	According to a commercial business database, has 7 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Korean Trading Company Changsu (Представительство Корейской торговой компании "Чансу" (КНДР) в г.Владивостоке)	Ri Song II ( Ри Сонг Иль)	Vladivostok	INN 9909404173 KPP 253651001 OKPO 31135923	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the Export and Import Company "Chhorsanbong" (Представительство Общества По Экспорту И Импорту "Чхорсанбонг")	Rim Chol Su ( Рим Чоль Су)	Vladivostok	INN 9909538875 KPP 254392001	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Trading Company Dorasi (Торговая Компания "Дорази")	Kim Song Jim (Ким Сен Гым)	Vladivostok	INN 9909543610 KPP 254092001	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>256</sup> One member of the Panel is of the view that information in this table should be further corroborated and analyzed in conjunction with information from the Russian Federation provided in Annex 79.

General Society for Export and Import of Ferrous Metals under the Ministry of Metallurgical Industry of the DPRK (Пред По Эксорту И Иморту Черных Металлов (КНДР))	Cha Yong Bom (Ча Ыонг Бом)	Vladivostok	INN 9909206615 KPP 254051001 OKPO 88262162		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Korean Trading Company Yolgwan (Представительство Корейской Торговой Компании "Ёльгван")	U Yong Nam (У Ыонг Нам)	Vladivostok	INN 9909551636 KPP 254392001	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Когеап Foreign Trade Company Yonhwa (Представительство Корейского Внешнеторгового Общества "Ёнхва")	Choe In Guk (Чое Ин Гук)	Vladivostok	INN 9909537381 KPP 254392001	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Society of Information and Technology Exchange Enphun (Представительство Общества Обмена Информацией И Технологией "Енпхунь")	Ri Kvang ( Ри Кванг)	Vladivostok	INN 9909498196 KPP 254392001	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Yenphung Company for Distribution of Mariculture (Представительство Компании "Енпхунг" По Распространению Марикультуры)	Kim Ji Song (Ким Жи Сонг)	Vladivostok	INN 9909492067 KPP 254392001	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Air Koryo Representative Office(Представительство Авиапредприятия "Эр Корё" Во Владивостоке)	Ryu Kvang Su ( Рю Кванг Су)	Artem	INN 9909087020 KPP 250251001 NZA 20150034850	According to a commercial business database, has 3 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Air Koryo Moscow Representative Office (Пред "Эр Коре")	Рак Chan Hun (Пак Чан Хун)	Moscow	INN 9909087020 KPP 773851001 OKPO 59100257 NZA 20150034872	According to a commercial business database, has 2 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

				The Panel notes that this company's address (Office 106, 72 Mosfilmovskaya Ulitsa, Moscow, Russia, 119330) is similar to that of the DPRK Embassy in Moscow (72 Mosfilmovskaya Ulitsa, Moscow, Russia, 119590) and considers that this may constitute a violation of paragraph 18 of resolution 2321 (2016).	
Сотрану Feson for Export and Import of Medications (Представительство Компании "Фёсон" По Экспорту И Импорту Медикаментов)	Kim Yong Chol (Ким Ыонг Чоль)	Vladivostok	INN 9909493656 KPP 254092001 NZA 20180001534	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Котрапіуа "Nam'yang Aloe" (Фл "Юнивера- Россия" В Г.Уссурийске)	Kim Ho (Ким Xo, INN 254000401127)	Ussurisk	INN 9909098350 OKPO 52098451		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Korean Scientific Society / Vladivostok (Влад пред Корейского Научного Общества)	Јо Se Gwan (Чо Се Гвон)	Vladivostok	INN 9900327377 OKPO 65485824		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Knde Ko. Ltd, Fl Koo ( Фл Koo "Кнде Ко. Лтд")	Jon Su Pak (Джон Су Пак)	Yuzhno- Sakhalinsk	INN 9909196149 OKPO 93111703		RF: The founder of KNDE KO. LTD, FL KOO is a citizen of the Republic of Korea. The Russian competent authorities have no information regarding the North Korean citizens profiting from the activities of the legal entities mentioned in the request.
'Representative Office of the Association " Korean Textile Center " (Пред Ассоциации "Корейский Текстильный Центр")	E Jon Gu (И Чжон Ву)	Moscow	INN 9909149163 KPP 773851001 OKPO 75368284		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

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Representative Office of the Korean Corporation "Kyong Un" (Представительство Корейской Корпорации "Кыонг Ун")	Kim Song II ( Ким Сонг Иль)	Vladivostok	INN 9909499778 KPP 253692001 NZA 20180002502	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Когеап Corporation Korea Keumgan Group (Представительство Корейской Корпорации "Кымган Групп" (КНДР) Г. Владивосток)	Kang Jang Rim (Канг Чанг Рим)	Vladivostok	INN 9909474967 KPP 253692001 NZA 20170000895	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Korean Trading Company Geumganbong (Представительство Корейской Торговой Компании "Кымганбонг")	Son Gyong II ( Сон Кыонг Иль)	Vladivostok	INN 9909526929 KPP 254392001 NZA 20190000754	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Ministry of Fisheries of the Dprk (Пред Мин-Ва Рыбного Хозяйства)	Ji Ryon Chol (Чи Ен Чер)	Vladivostok	INN 9909137545 KPP 253692001 OKPO 88240249 NZA 20150022321	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the 21st Pyongyang Trading Company (Представительство 21-Й Пхеньянской Торговой Компании)	Ri Jang Gwang (Ри Чанг Гванг)	Vladivostok	INN 9909500663 KPP 253692001 NZA 20180002678	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of a Korean Medical Instrument Manufacturing Company (Представительство Корейской Компании По Изготовлению Медицинских Инструментов)	U Yong Chol (У Ыонг Чоль)	Vladivostok	INN 9909542857 KPP 253692001 NZA 20190002613	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the Korean General Petroleum Association (DPRK) Vladivostok (Представительство Корейского Генерального	So Jun Sok (Co Жун Сок)	Vladivostok	INN 9909318559 KPP 253651001 NZA 20150038843	According to a commercial business database, has 4 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

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(КНДР) Г. Владивосток)					
Representation of the Joint Information Company of the 21st Century (Представительство Совместной Информационной Компании 21 Века)	Jang Jon Bok (Жанг Джун Бок)	Vladivostok	INN 9909552372 KPP 254392001 NZA 20190003658	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the Fishing Corporation "Raymond" (DPRK), Magadan (Представительство Рыболовной Корпорации "Раймонд" (КНДР) Г. Магадан)	Pak Jon Gil (Пак Чен Гил, INN 490916149208)	Magadan	INN 9909298084 KPP 490951001 OKPO 11219635 NZA 20160000322	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	RF: The DPRK citizen who was the founder of the representative office of the Fishing Corporation "Raymond" left the Russian Federation and therefore was removed from the list of owners of these organizations.
Вranch of the General Foreign Trade Company "Rakvon" DPRK (Vladivostok) (Филиал Генерального Внешнеторгового Общества "Раквон" КНДР (Г. Владивосток))	Kan Myong Ho (Кан Мен Хо)	Vladivostok	INN 9909483760 KPP 253791001 NZA 10170001490	According to a Member State, suspected of employing approximately 150 DPRK nationals earning income in 2023 According to a commercial business database, has 50 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the Korean General Trading Company "Rynra-888" (Представительство Корейского Генерального Торгового Общества "Рынра-888")	Kim Yong Ho (Ким Ыонг Хо)	Vladivostok	INN 9909499834 KPP 254392001 NZA 20180002491	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees  The Panel notes that this company's address (12 Nevskaya ul., Vladivostok, Russia, 690048) is similar to that of the DPRK Consulate in	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

				Vladivostok (12A Nevskaya ul., Vladivostok, Russia, 690018) and considers that this may constitute a violation of paragraph 18 of resolution 2321 (2016).	
Representative Office of Techno-Trading Company "Sesung" DPRK (Vladivostok) (Представительство Техно-Торгового Общества "Сесунг" КНДР (Г. Владивосток))	Ri Sung Jon ( Ли Сунг Хйон)	Vladivostok	INN 9909509507 KPP 253692001 NZA 20180003723	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the Korean Trading Company "Song Jin" (Представительство Корейской Торговой Компании "Сонг Жин")	Dong Rim Ho (Донг Рим Хо)	Vladivostok	INN 9909550569 KPP 253692001 NZA 20190003361	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the Korea Trading Company "Synri-Jonji" (DPRK) Vladivostok (Представительство Корейской Торговой Компании "Сынри-Чонзи" (КНДР) Г. Владивосток)	Ju Dong Sung (Жу Тонг Сунг)	Vladivostok	INN 9909401479 KPP 253651001 NZA 20160000311	According to a commercial business database, has 4 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of Corporation for Technologies "Tansim" (Представительство Корпорации По Технологиям "Тансим")	Kim Yon Jin (Ким Ыон Жин)	Vladivostok	INN 9909560292 KPP 254392001 NZA 20200000667	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of Trading Company "Ulrim" (Представительство Торговой Компании "Ульрим")	Pak Chol Man (Пак Чоль Ман)	Vladivostok	INN 9909542840 KPP 253692001 NZA 20190002591	According to a commercial business database, has 10 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.

General Enterprise for Far Sea Navigation and Management under the Ministry of Land and Sea Transport of the DPRK (Влад Пред По Дальноморскому Судоходству)	Jong Jae Son (Жонг Жае Сон)	Vladivostok	INN 9909199661 KPP 253651001 OKPO 88240120 NZA 20150032496	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Vneshugol, Pred (Пред "Внешуголь")	Kim Hong Gwan ( Ким Хон Гвон)	Neryungri	OKPO 52485449		RF: The DPRK citizen who was the founder of the representative office of the Fishing Corporation "Raymond" left the Russian Federation and therefore was removed from the list of owners of these organizations.
Representative Office of the Main Department of the Forestry "Wondon Rimob" of the Ministry of Forestry of the DPRK (Представительство Главного Управления Лесной Промышленности "Вондон Римоб" Минлеспрома КНДР) ( Фл Гулп "Вондон Римоб")	Ri Gwon Yong (Ри Кван Йонг) Son Chan II (Сон Чхан Ир)	Ussurisk Khabarovsk	INN 9909077617 KPP 251192001 NZA 20180001150, 20150012355 OKPO 85105019	According to a commercial business database, has 5 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representative Office of the Pyongyang Foreign Trade Tobacco Company "Unha" in Vladivostok (Представительство Пхеньянского Внешнеторгового Табачного Общества "Ынха" В Г. Владивосток)	Pak Yong Jin (Пак Ыонг Жин)	Vladivostok	INN 9909461333 KPP 253692001 NZA 20160002490	According to a commercial business database, has 3 "foreign" employees	Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Fl "Univera-Russia" in Ussuriysk (Фл "Юнивера- Россия" В Г.Уссурийске)	Kim Ho	Ussurisk	INN 9909098350 OKPO 52098451		Based on the Russian Federation's response, the Panel is unable to ascertain whether the company is still operating.
Representation of the Korean Trading Company "Green Industry" (DPRK) Vladivostok (Представительство	O In Jun (О Ин Жун)	Vladivostok	INN 9909455900 KPP 253692001 NZA 20160001906	According to a commercial business database, has 4 "foreign" employees	RF: O In Jun could be the same person as the reported Vladivostok-based Korea Daesong Bank (KPe.035) representative O In Jun (see Annex 71)

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Корейской Торговой					
Компании "Зеленая					
Индустрия " (КНДР)					
Г.Владивосток)					
Korea General Corporation					
for External Construction					
Vladivostok Representative			INN 9909159891	A coording to o	
Office (Представительство				According to a	Based on the Russian Federation's
Корейского Генерального	Ko Yongil (Ko	371 - 12 4 - 1	KPP 254392001	commercial business	response, the Panel is unable to ascertain
Общества По	Ыонгиль)	Vladivostok	NZA	database, has 17	whether the company is still operating.
Строительству За	ŕ		20150022387	"foreign" employees	
Рубежом "Зенко" (КНДР),					
Г. Владивосток)					
Korea General Corporation					
for External Construction			INN 9909159891	A 11.	
Khasan Representative	77' 3 6		KPP 253151001	According to a	Based on the Russian Federation's
Office ( Корейское	Kim Myong	771	OKPO 80944608	commercial business	response, the Panel is unable to ascertain
Генеральное Общество По	Guk (Ким Мен	Khasan	NZA	database, has 5	whether the company is still operating.
Строительству За	Гук)		20150028184	"foreign" employees	Y y Y
Рубежом "Зенко" (КНДР))					
Representative office of the					
Korean TIC "Peksan"			DD 00000000000000000000000000000000000		Based on the Russian Federation's
(Представительство	Yun Tae Dok	Vladivostok	INN 9909392520		response, the Panel is unable to ascertain
Корейского ТИЦ			OKPO 27868212		whether the company is still operating.
"Пэксан")					

*Note*: Company and individual names have been transliterated from the original Russian-language documents. / Source: Russian Federation corporate registry records, commercial business databases, Panel investigations, Member States.

Annex 88: Individuals operating overseas reportedly related to Korean National Insurance Company (KPe.048) and/or its reported front/subordinate companies Polestar Insurance Company (PIC), Samhae Insurance Company (SIC), and Rainbow Intermediaries (RI)

Name	<b>Suspected Position</b>	Additional information	Location	Member State response
Choe Myong Chol	KNIC Representative	Status: Diplomat  Designation: First Secretary (Economic and Commercial Section)  Date of arrival: 25 May 2015  DPRK passport number: 481110043  Date of birth: 7 April 1974	Pakistan	"[Choe and Jon] are diplomats who have, during the last three years, travelled to China and DPRK only. No record of any commercial, rent-seeking or profitable activity is found yet [and] no investigation or prosecution is underway"
Jon Hyon Chol	KNIC Representative	Status: Diplomat  Designation: First Secretary (Economic and Commercial Section)  Date of arrival: 18 January 2020  DPRK passport number: 481410050  Date of birth: 1 January 1985	Pakistan	"[Choe and Jon] are diplomats who have, during the last three years, travelled to China and DPRK only. No record of any commercial, rent-seeking or profitable activity is found yet [and] no investigation or prosecution is underway"
Kim Yong Jin	KNIC Representative	DPRK passport number: 481410074 Date of birth: 28 September 1971	Nigeria	No response
Sin Jun Chol	KNIC Representative	N/A	Russia	"There is no evidence found regarding illegal activities relating to the Korean National Insurance Corporation (KNIC) (KPe.048)."
Mun Mi Hwa	PIC Associate	Conducted banking transaction on behalf of PIC in December 2022	Likely Nigeria	No response

Source: Member States, Panel investigations.

Annex 89: Information on companies reportedly assisting and/or working with the Korean National Insurance Company (KPe.048) and/or its front/subordinate companies

Company	Reported information on engagement with KNIC	Address
Fountain Court Partners	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022	No. 299, Ikorodu Road (Olatunji House), Behind Idiroko BRT Terminal 4th Floor, Left Wing, Maryland, Lagos State, Nigeria
Premium Broking House	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022	Street No. 404 – Bldg. 206 (2nd floor), Sin El Fil – Dekwaneh, PO Box: 55.659 Sin El Fil, Lebanon
Integ Partners	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022	Plot 448A Lagos Crescent, Off Ladoke, Akintola Boulevard, Garki 2, Abuja, Nigeria
BK & Associes	Assisted KNIC in recovering debts, between at least 2019 and 2022	Rue Washington, Cocody Val Doyen, 08 BP 3819 Abidjan 08 Côte d'Ivoire
Millbank Insurance Brokers, Ltd.	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters' control, between at least 2020 and 2022	Ground Floor, Suite 08, Bluecrest Mall, Majek, Lekki Peninsula, Lekki – Epe Expressway, P.O. Box 6629, Marina, Lagos, Nigeria
QuickLink Insurance Brokers Ltd.	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters' control, between at least 2020 and 2022	238, Muritala Mohammed Way, Ebute-Meta, Alagomeji, Yaba, Lagos State, Nigeria
Universal Insurance Plc	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC	8 Gbagada Expressway, Anthony 100232, Lagos, Nigeria

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	headquarters' control, between at least 2020 and 2022	
Sechuwariis Development Foundation	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters' control, between at least 2020 and 2022	No. 13 Amichi-Okigwe Road, Nnewi-South LGA, Anambra, Nigeria
Somitel Ventures Enterprise	Facilitates KNIC's activities in Africa, including through cryptocurrency transactions on KNIC's behalf, as of 2023	Suite B15, Road 1, Ikota Shopping Complex, VGC, Lekki, Ajah, Lagos, Nigeria
New Elements Holdings Co. Ltd (新元素 控股有限公 司)	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters' control, between at least 2020 and 2022	Hong Kong
Li Xianzhu (Chinese national)	Partnered with or knowingly assisted KNIC in developing business opportunities, attempting to collect money, and/or facilitating financial transfers of funds to KNIC headquarters' control, between at least 2020 and 2022, utilizing  257(Asia) Ltd account number 718823353750	
Fairicc Survey & Loss Adjusting Co., Ltd.	Established a relationship with Samhae Insurance Company in 2019 (see Annex 85)	17/F, South Wing Huatong Plaza B, 19B, Chegongzhuangxi Rd, Beijing 100048

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>257</sup> The lead expert on this issue does not agree with redacting the bank names of one country.

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Source: Member States, commercial business databases, company websites, media

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 $<sup>^{258}\</sup> https://www.nknews.org/pro/nigerian-firm-wades-into-murky-legal-waters-with-north-korean-insurance-policy/legal-waters-with-hold-waters-with-h$ 

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# **Annex 90: Samhae Insurance Company Website (excerpts)**





#### **ABOUT US**

Samhae Insurance Company, as a specialist marine, aviation and liability risk underwriter, provides bespoke insurance solutions to fit your needs.

Samhae is fortunate to have such highly skilled underwriting teams well equipped with extensive expertise and considerable experiences over the years and they are recognized as specialists in marine and aviation field by brokers, agents, clients and partners.

Rated a corporate entity solid in financial strength and stable in creditability by the Ministry of Finance, Samhae offers financial security to its clients in various fields.

Samhae has developed business relationships with brokerage firms and other (re)insurance companies at home and abroad to conduct insurance and reinsurance business on a global scale.

Over the past 5 years since its creation, the Company has delivered customized insurance solutions to meet the clients' needs resting on specialists' expertise and rich practical experience and thus has built up a solid corporate reputation in the domestic and international market.

Clients choose to work with us because they rely on our ability to fulfil our commitments, to deliver insurance solutions that best serve their needs and to develop long-standing relationships.

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VISION

#### MISSION

**VALUES** 

To develop into a leading reliable insurer delivering quality insurance service tailor-made to each client's requirements with an eye to a sustainable business growth by virtue of up-to-date science and technology.

To secure the clients against the potential risks and in the case of loss or damage immediately indemnify them to aid their speedy recovery. To be consistent in adhering to the principles of integrity, transparency, prompthess and accuracy in insurance service relying on the professionalism and rich experience.

## WHY SAMHAE INSURANCE?

The economic outlook of the Company looks quite good as it is run by the rich human resources involving the excellent insurance experts while it pursues the most effective business and management strategies in dong business.

The Insurance service of the Company is readily accessible to all of our clients everywhere in the country at any time since it has built up an elaborate distribution network of a number of local branches and agents.

The Information technology-oriented service level of the Company is becoming increasingly sophisticated with the help of the latest science and technology such as mobile communication technology and computer network technology.

The Company is expanding its footprint in the international insurance market and is forming a cooperative relationship with a number of market players including brokerage firms, insurers and reinsurers on the globe.

## COMPANY PROFILE

DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT 6th October 2016

www.nawnara.com.ip/silvenbannhas/



State Insurance Commission.



2017

The Company opened up 6 branch offices in the local cities.

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2nd May 2018 )

The Company began to release its Annual Report.

1st November 2018

The Company commenced cedling marine facultative reinsurance to the foreign market for the first time since its operation.

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19th December 2018 )

The Company opened its website on the Internet.

2018

The Company extended 4 more branch offices in the country.

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25th March 2019 )

Samhae Insurance Company made an agreement with and Fairicc Survey & Loss Adjusting Co., Ltd to appoint the latter as the international loss adjuster.

Source: www.naenara.com.kp/sites/samhae/, Panel annotations

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## **Business activity**

#### Laos

 According to a Member State, Nam is the owner of Mekong Development Co. Ltd., which in turn owns New Arena Sports Complex (Sisattanak District, Vientiane)

#### **Thailand**

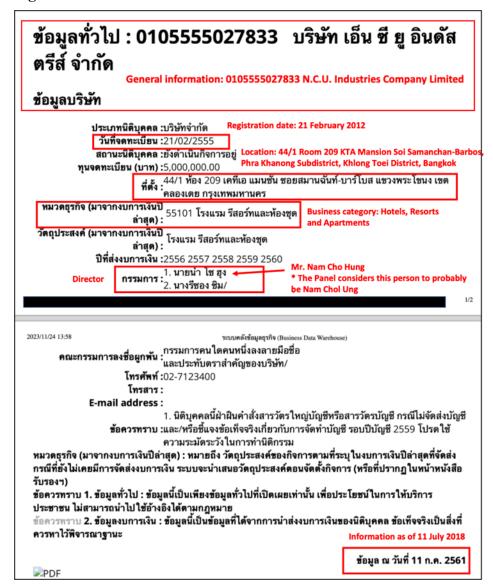
- Nam is reportedly the owner of DP Law and Business Group Company Limited (บริษัท ดีพี
  ลอว์ แอนด์ บิสซิเนส กรุ๊ป จำกัด)
  - Address: 299 Moo 2, Tambon Pa Phai, Amphoe San Sai, Chang Wat, Chiang Mai, 50210, Thailand
  - Thailand Company Registration Number 0505546003061
- According to the Panel's investigations, Nam is the director of NCU Industries Company Limited (บริษัท เอ็น ซี ยู อินดัสตรีส์ จำกัด, aka Siam Sky Pattaya Co., Ltd.)
  - Address: 44/1 Room 209 KTA Mansion Soi Samanchan-Barbos, Phra Khanong Subdistrict, Khlong Toei District, Bangkok, Thailand
  - o Telephone number 02-7123400
  - Thailand Company Registration Number 0105555027833
  - o DPRK investment (as of 2018)<sup>259</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>259</sup> The Thailand corporate registry only specifies a nationality and does not specify whether this represents a company, individual, or government/government entity.

## Figure 1



Source: Thailand corporate registry, annotated by the Panel.

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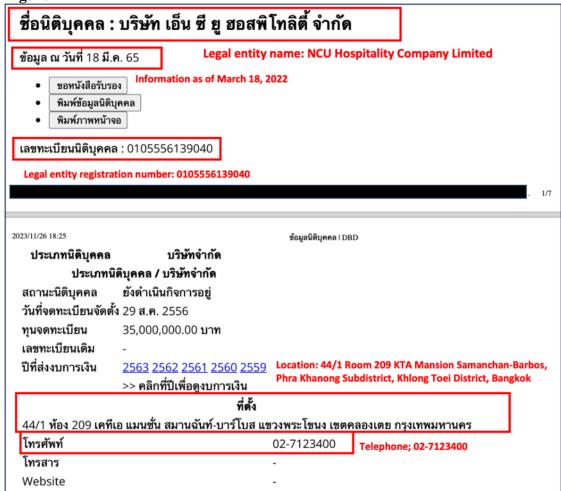
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Status;	Operating The state of the stat
Registered Capital (Baht)	5,000,000,000 The State of the
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Industrial group in latest financial statement :	55101 : Hotels and resort hotels
Fiscal Year (submitted financial statement):	2565:2564 2563 2562 2561
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Source: Thailand corporate registry, annotated by the Panel.

- According to the Panel's investigations, Nam is directly associated with NCU Hospitality Company Limited (บริษัท เอ็น ซี ยู ฮอสพิโทลิตี้ จำกัด)
  - Address: 44/1 Room 209 KTA Mansion Soi Samanchan-Barbos, Phra Khanong Subdistrict, Khlong Toei District, Bangkok, Thailand
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  - o Thailand Company Registration Number 0105556139040
  - o Involved in alcohol/beverage sales and trade

Figure 4



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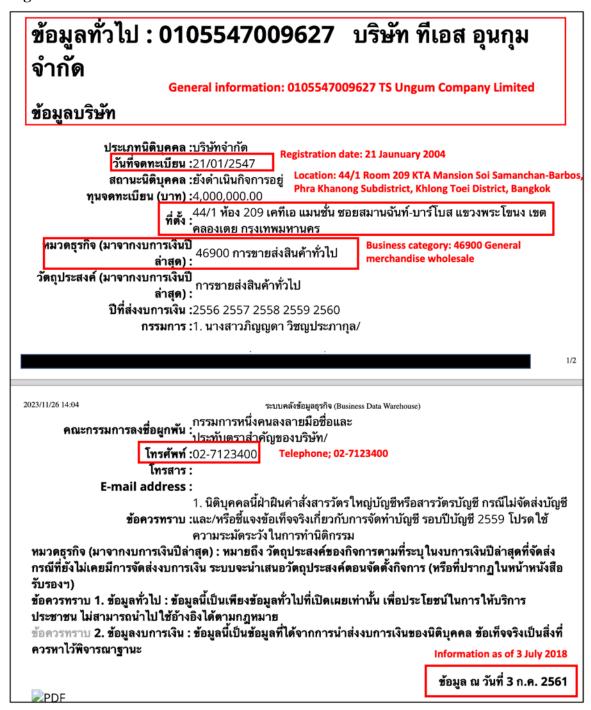
- According to the Panel's investigations, Nam is linked to TS Ungum Company Limited (บริษัท ทีเอส อุนกุม จำกัด, aka YM Impex Co., Ltd.)
  - Address: 44/1 Room 209 KTA Mansion Soi Samanchan-Barbos, Phra Khanong Subdistrict, Khlong Toei District, Bangkok, Thailand
  - o Telephone number 02-7123400
  - o Thailand Company Registration Number 0105547009627
  - o DPRK investment (as of 2018)<sup>260</sup>

Figure 5



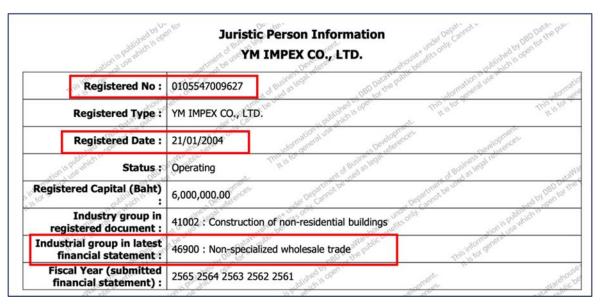
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Figure 6



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Figure 7



# Nam's trade activities, according to a Member State and Panel investigations

- 1. Shipment of 1,010 cases of brandy (see Figure 7 below)
  - 8 April 2023
    - Seller: [Company A]
    - Buyer: [Company B]
    - Routing: [Port A], India to Laem Chabang, Thailand
  - 21 April 2023
    - Seller: [Company B]
    - Buyer: Dalian Minglian Trade Co., Ltd (大连明联贸易有限公司)<sup>261</sup>
    - Routing: Laem Chabang, Thailand to Dalian, China
  - 9 July 2023
    - Seller: Dalian Minglian Trade Co., Ltd
    - Buyer: Chonho Trading Corporation (DPRK)
    - Routing: Dalian, China to Nampo, DPRK

#### 2. Shipment of lubricating oil

- 30 May 2023
  - Seller: Topnext International Company Limited<sup>262</sup>
  - Buyer: Dalian Haolian International Trade Co., Ltd (大连豪联国际贸易有限公司)<sup>263</sup>
  - Routing: Laem Chabang, Thailand to Dalian, China
- 9 June 2023
  - Seller: Dalian Minglian Trade Co., Ltd
  - Buyer: Sobaeksu United Corporation (DPRK; subordinate to the Munitions Industry Department, KPe.028)<sup>264</sup>
  - Routing: Dalian, China to Nampo, DPRK
- 3. Shipment of brandy (see Figure 7 below)
  - 16 November 2023
    - Seller: [Company A]
    - Buyer: [Company D]
      - Routing: [Port A], India to Laem Chabang, Thailand

Note: The Panel awaits replies from Dalian Minglian Trade Co., Ltd, Dalian Haolian International Trade Co., Ltd, and Topnext International Company Limited

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>261</sup> According to commercial business databases, Dalian Minglian Trading Co., Ltd's unified social credit code is 91210231MA0P5AM203 and it is located at No. 1, 8th Floor, No. 35, Boxiang North Park, Dalian High-tech Industrial Park, Liaoning Province (辽宁省大连高新技术产业园区博翔北园 35 号 8 层 1 号).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>262</sup> According to commercial business databases, Topnext International Company Limited is a group affiliate of Thai Oil Public Company Limited and is located at address 555/1 Energy Complex Building A, 11th Floor, Vibhavadi Rangsit Road, Chatuchak, Chatuchak, Bangkok 10900, Thailand.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>263</sup> According to commercial business databases, Dalian Haolian International Trade Co., Ltd's unified social credit code is 91210202MA0XT1BAXD and it is located at address 辽宁省大连市中山区五五路 32-1 号 1 单元 17 层 3 号.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>264</sup> See S/2020/840 annex 46, S/2020/151 para 126 and Annex 30, S/2019/691 Annex 13, S/2017/150 paras 158-159 and Annex 14

# Figure 8: Response from Company A (excerpts)

"Business Relation with Mr. Nam Chol Ung:

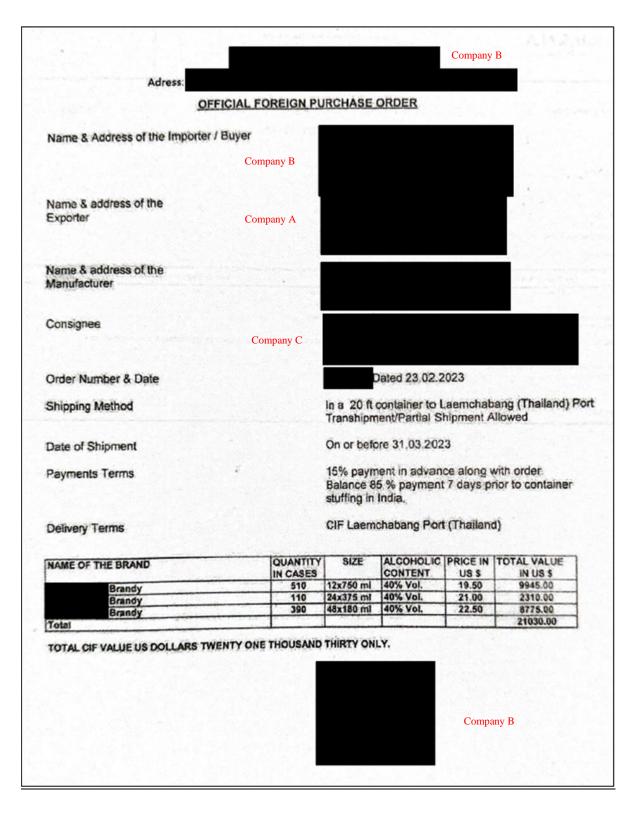
- The Company has had two business transactions with Mr. Nam Chol Ung, as on date. The said business transactions were initiated by him through issuance of purchase orders on 23.02.2023 and 19.09.2023, respectively."
  - Transaction 1 (see Figure 8 below):

    "Mr. Nam Chol Ung, through a company named [Company B] (Importer) and [Company C], Thailand (Consignee) ... placed an order for a sum of 21030 USD on 23.02.2023. The entire consignment with respect to the said order was required to be delivered at Laemchabang Port, Thailand. The entire transaction was based on the Payment Term and accordingly, the Company received the entire payment with respect the said order in advance. The payment with respect to the aforesaid transaction was made by [Company B]...."
  - o Transaction 2 (see Figure 9 below):

    "Mr. Nam Chol Ung, through a company named [Company D], located at [address] ... placed an order for a sum of 24111 USD on 19.09.2023. The entire consignment with respect to the said order was required to be delivered at Laemchabang Port, Thailand. The entire transaction was based on the Payment Term and accordingly, the Company received the entre payment with respect the said order in advance. The payment with respect to the aforesaid transaction was made by [Company D] ...."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>265</sup> The lead expert disagrees with this redaction.

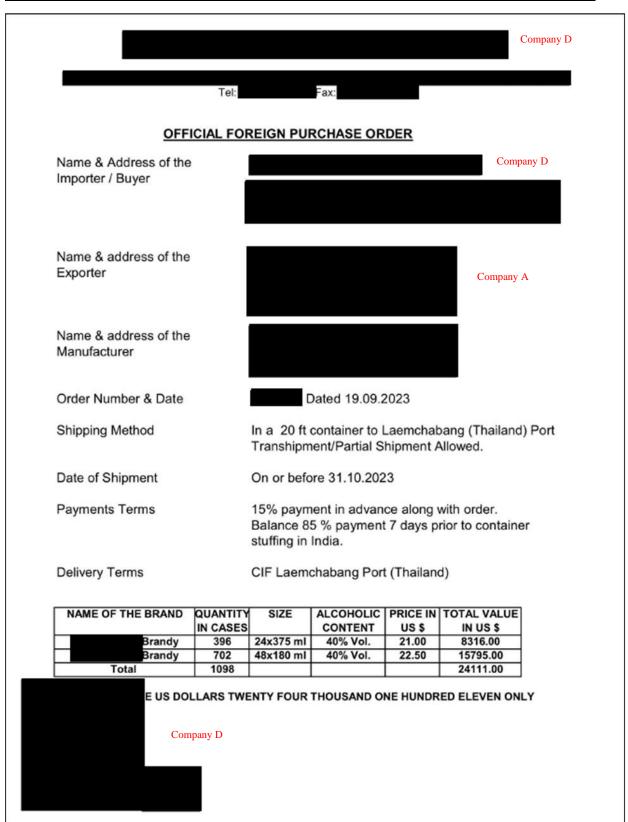
Figure 9: Purchase Order for Transaction 1 (1,010 cases of brandy), dated 23.02.2023



Source: Company A, annotated by the Panel.

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Figure 10: Purchase Order for Transaction 1 (1,098 cases of brandy), dated 19.09.2023



Source: Company A, annotated by the Panel.

# Annex 92: Information on suspected business activities conducted by DPRK official Kim Song Ho

The Panel has received information from a Member State that Kim was based in Lao PDR at least during the period between 2019 and 2021, and was involved in running several DPRK restaurants in Lao PDR, including:

- Big Sister Won's restaurant
- Koryo Restaurant, Luang Prabang
- Kumgangsan Restaurant (aka "Tokyo Sushi & Teppanyaki")

Kim is further reportedly linked to two additional companies, Lao Power Import-Export and Logistic Sole Co. Ltd (Lao PDR) and Changchun Jin Lizhu Trading Co., Ltd (China).

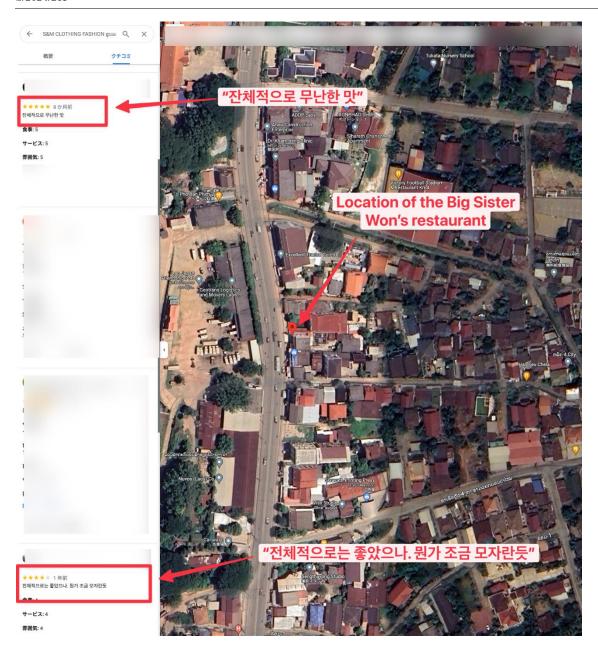
# 1. Big Sister Won's restaurant, located at 17.93016, 102.616972 (approximately 300 metres from the DPRK Embassy in Vientiane, Laos)

Kim has reportedly worked closely with Laos national Souchinda Mingboubpha to obtain work permits for DPRK nationals as well as a restaurant license and to establish a new company, and Mingboubpha registered Big Sister Won's restaurant in June 2020 on Kim's behalf. Kim has reportedly made payments to Mingboubpha for this assistance, including in July 2020.

Customer comments and photographs from Big Sister Won restaurant in 2022 and in 2023

One customer's comments were posted in March 2023, and a second customer's comments were posted approximately a year ago in November 2022. The first comment said, "Overall, plain taste"; the second comment noted, "Overall, it was good, but it seems like something is a little lacking" respectively.

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Source: Excerpts of social media posting, annotated by the Panel.

Several photographs and a third customer's comments were posted approximately a year ago, noting: "Innards, kimchi, very delicious. The staff are kind. I will go back to eat cold noodles." A fourth customer noted that it was a North Korean restaurant.



Source: Excerpts of social media posting and accompany photographs, annotated by the Panel.

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# 2. Koryo Restaurant, Luang Prabang (apparently closed as of August 2023)

Photographs of Koryo Restaurant in Luang Prabang, circa January 2020





Source: Naver.

Photo of Koryo Restaurant in Luang Prabang, circa August 2023



Source: The Panel.

3. Tokyo Sushi & Teppanyaki, Landmark Mekong Riverside Hotel, WJV8+FRR, Thatkhao Village, Sisattanak District, Vientiane (formerly Pyongyang Friendship Restaurant, Keumgansan Restaurant)

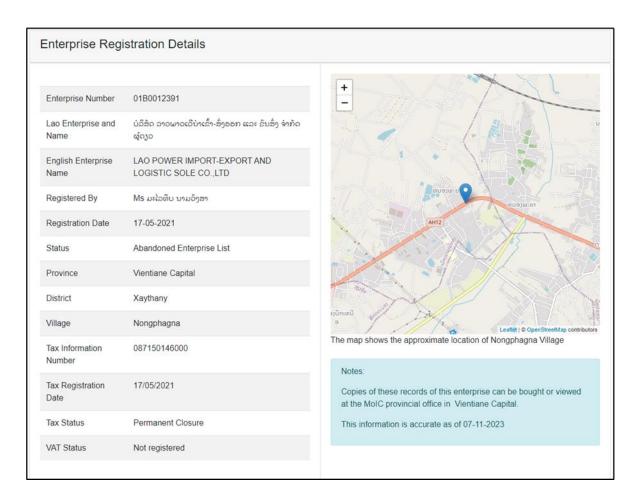


Source: The Panel; images captured July 2023.

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## 4. Lao Power Import-Export and Logistic Sole Co. Ltd

Kim has allegedly further received assistance from Laos national Sidaphone Sithirajvongsa in operating DPRK restaurants in Laos. The Member State has also provided information that, in 2021, Kim and Sithirajvongsa cooperated in plans for Kim to buy gold, in Laos to sell in China. Sithirajvongsa reportedly allowed Kim to use their personal information and details of their company Lao Power Import-Export and Logistic Sole Co. Ltd (ບໍລິສັດ ລາວພາວເວີນຳເຂົ້າ-ສິ່ງອອກ ແລະ ຂັນສິ່ງ ຈຳກັດຜູ້ດຽວ), in order to facilitate the deal. The Panel has found that closed in August 2023.



Source: Lao National Enterprise Database.

# 5. Changchun Jin Lizhu Trading Co., Ltd

In 2021, Chinese company Changchun Jin Lizhu Trading Co., Ltd (长春金丽珠贸易有限公司, aka Changchun Kum Ryo Ju Trade Co., Ltd) reportedly sought to purchased gold and cooper ore with Kim's assistance. Changchun Jin Lizhu Trading Co., Ltd is associated with address Room 1206, Unit 5, Building 4, Tianqi Phoenix Area, Liberty Avenue, Erdao District, Changchun City, Jilin Province, China and China Uniform Social Credit Code number 91220105333860332Y.

# Annex 93<sup>266</sup>: Information on suspected sanctions violation activities conducted by DPRK national Choe Song Ryong (aka Cui Chenglong, 崔成龙)

# Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd (北京天池城企业管理有限公司, aka Chonji Trading Corporation)

- According to Member State information and Panel investigations, Choe is the managing director and legal representative of a DPRK company operating in China, Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd (北京 天池城企业管理有限公司; aka Chonji Trading Corporation). According to the Member State, as of 2021:
  - o Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd maintained at least three DPRK-China joint venture restaurants in China, employing DPRK nationals.
  - At least some of these DPRK nationals lived at address Number 1101, Apartment Block 2, Area C, Fuliyou City, Huangchang South, Dougezhuang, Chaoyang District, Beijing.
- According to commercial business databases, as of 2017 Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd was owned by DPRK entity Korea Koryo Trade Association (朝鲜高丽贸易总会社).
- According to commercial business databases, Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd may no longer be operating, as of 2023.

Figure 2: Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd registration information



Source: Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China (2017), Panel annotations

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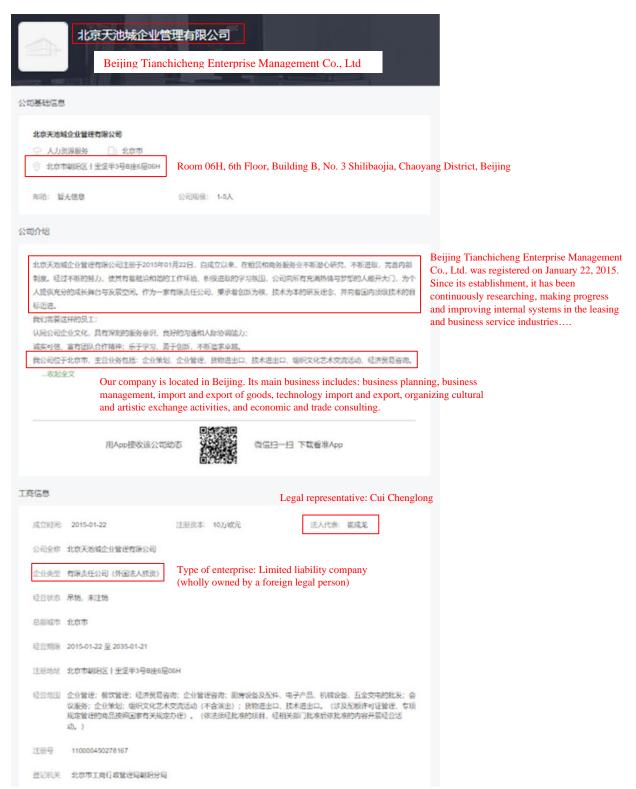
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>266</sup> One member of the Panel is of the view that information in this Annex should be further corroborated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>267</sup> According to commercial business databases, Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd's China Uniform Social Credit Code is 911101053222827927, its registration number is 110000450278167, and its addresses are 北京市朝阳区北京市朝阳区朝阳路十里堡甲 3 号 A 座 12 层 15E 100025 and 北京市朝阳区十里堡甲 3 号 B 座 6 层 06H. According to the Member State, as of 2021, the company also maintained identification number CN9402264069.



Source: National Enterprise Credit Information Publicity System, annotated by the Panel.

Figure 3: Recruitment website profile for Beijing Tianchicheng Enterprise Management Co., Ltd



Source: https://www.kanzhun.com/gongsi/cd4fe13d38bbd505721e79a11f75dcc5/, Panel annotations.

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# Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trade Co., Ltd (北京**绿**谷天池国**际贸**易有限公司)

- According to the same Member State, Chinese company Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trade Co., Ltd<sup>268</sup> was operating under direction from Choe.
- According to commercial business databases, Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trade Co Ltd is also involved in the import of DPRK-origin coal and rare earths.

Figure 3: Online marketplace profile for Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trade Co., Ltd

北京绿谷天池国际贸易有限公司			
企业大全 > 北京公司 > 北京母谷天池国际贸易有限公司 Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trade Co., Ltd			
公司简介 Company profile			
北京绿谷天池国际贸易有限公司位于北京市,是一家以朝鲜煤炭;进口朝鲜无烟煤、朝鲜无烟煤、稀土;稀土金属的企业,公司自创办以来一直秉承"质量价格合理服务到位"的经营理念,我们会用好的产品和服务让您满意。			
详细资料		Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trading Co., Ltd. is located in Beijing. It is an	
公司名称	北京绿谷天池国际贸易有限公司	enterprise specializing in North Korean coal;	
企业法人	郑善中	imported North Korean anthracite; North Korean anthracite; rare earths; rare earth	
所在地	北京北京周边	metals	
企业类型	私营资企业		
成立时间	1998-09-14 Established 1998-09-14		
注册资金	50		
主营行业	高纯稀土金属:永磁材料:原煤		
主营产品	朝鲜煤炭进口朝鲜无坝煤、朝鲜无烟煤、稀土、稀土金属		
主营地区	山东河北全国北京		
经营模式	经销批发		
登记机关	北京市平谷区市场监督管理局		
主要客户群	山东河北全国北京:		
年营业额	10		
经营范围	领取本执照后,应到市或区县商务委备案。		
是否提供OEM	香		
公司邮编	101200		
公司电话	010-53366737		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>268</sup> Company ID CN9370705811; according to commercial databases, Beijing Green Valley Tianchi International Trade Co., Ltd maintains address Beijing, Pinggu District, Pinggu Town, 2 Fuqing West St.; according to the Chinese State Administration for Market Regulation, the company is operational and maintains Unified social credit code 91110117102963297M.

# 公司资料 企业法人: 郑善中 所在地: 北京 主营行业: 高纯稀土金属;永磁材料;原煤; 主营产品: 朝鲜煤炭,进口朝鲜无烟煤,朝鲜无烟煤,稀土,稀土金属 公司认证: - 0 -Address: In the courtyard of the Foreign Trade 公司地址: 北京市平谷区平谷镇府前西街2号外贸公司院内 Company, No. 2, Fuqian West Street, Pinggu Town, Pinggu District, Beijing 联系方式 联系人: 郑善中 Contact person: Zheng Shanzhong 手机: 18610207979 北京绿谷天池国际贸易有限公司 公司名称: 邮编: 101200

Source: https://m.atobo.com/u/09s5753305, Panel annotations.

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# Annex 94: Summary of certain DPRK cyberattacks on cryptocurrency-related companies in 2023, under investigation by the Panel

Sources: Information from Member States, statements by Government agencies, corporate statements, reports by cybersecurity firms, media articles and Panel investigations

# Terraport Finance, 10 April 2023, \$4 million

- Attacker(s) drained all of the liquidity pools on Terraport, a newly-launched decentralized exchange platform
- The attacker(s) stole the funds in two transactions, in total withdrawing 9.7 million TERRA (Terraport's native token) tokens, 15 billion Luna Classic (LUNC) tokens and 5.5 million of the Terra Classic USD stablecoin (USTC) tokens.
- A wallet involved in the Terraport launch was found to have made a series of suspicious changes
  to the code of three important smart contracts related to the liquidity pools, several hours before
  the heist was effected.

Figure 1: Terraport Finance posting

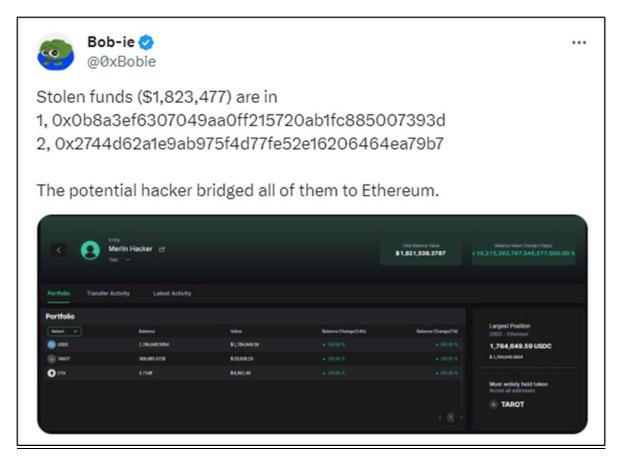


Source: https://twitter.com/\_Terraport\_/status/1645376363904335873

## Merlin DEX, 26 April 2023, \$1.8 million

- Likely a private key compromise or intentional backdoor insertion.
- The attacker(s) stole an estimated USD 1.8 million from the protocol by draining its liquidity pools as users were adding assets as part of a "liquidity Generation Event" and token launch.
- The underlying issue was overly-centralized control namely, excessive permissions granted to the Feeto address used during liquidity pool deployment. This address had full access and permissions, enabling individual(s) controlling the address to drain the pool of assets.
- The Merlin Platform placed blame on members of their back-end development team possibly DPRK IT workers inadvertently hired by the protocol. The Platform accused the developers of maliciously manipulating the smart contracts and exploiting the full access/approvals feature, allowing them to drain the liquidity pools.
- Attacker address (into which funds were drained): 0x2744d62a1e9ab975f4d77fe52e16206464ea79b7
- The stolen funds were bridged back to Ethereum, swapped for Ether (ETH) and transferred to other addresses.

Figure 2: Merlin Heist



Source: https://twitter.com/0xBobie/status/1651051380155744256

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# Atomic Wallet, 2 June 2023, \$120 million+<sup>269</sup>

- Intrusion via a wallet software.
- More than 5,000 crypto wallets were compromised in the attack.
- The stolen assets were native currencies and tokens on Ethereum and Tron networks, including Ether and Tether (USDT).
- A Member State law enforcement agency has attributed the heist to the Lazarus Group. 270
- Cypersecurity company Elliptic attributed the heist to the Lazarus Group with a high level of confidence, based on multiple factors, including:
  - The laundering of the stolen funds followed steps that match those employed to launder previous Lazarus Group heists.
  - The stolen assets were laundered using certain services, including the Sinbad mixer, that were used to launder previous Lazarus Group heists.
- In addition to using Sinbad, the stolen funds were also laundered through other platforms, including SWFT, SwftSwap, SunSwap, SimpleSwap Avalanche, and Garantex.
- Some addresses used to launder stolen funds were also used to launder funds from other recent Lazarus Group heists (see Figure 8).

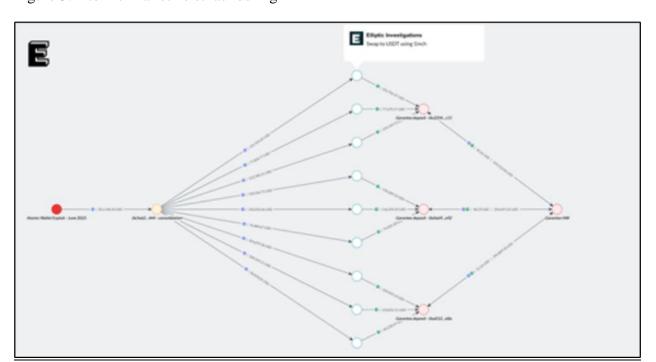


Figure 3: Atomic Wallet heist laundering

Source: https://www.elliptic.co/blog/analysis/north-korea-linked-atomic-wallet-heist-tops-100-million

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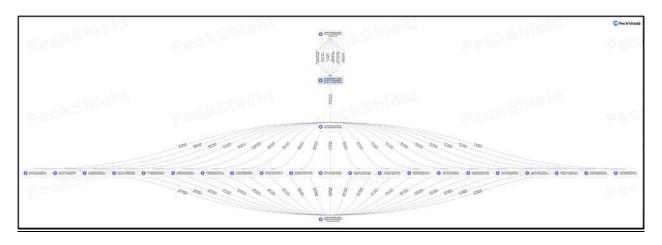
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>269</sup> See S/2023/656 para 143.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>270</sup> https://www.fbi.gov/news/press-releases/fbi-identifies-lazarus-group-cyber-actors-as-responsible-for-theft-of-41-million-from-stakecom

## Alphapo, 22 July 2023, \$110 million+

- A Member State law enforcement agency has attributed the heist to the Lazarus Group. 271
- Theft was likely due to a leak of private keys, allowing access to Alphapo's hot wallets.
- The attacker(s) stole more than 6 million Tether (USDT) tokens, 108,000 USD Coin (USDC) tokens, 100 million Fasttoken (FTN) tokens, 430,000 TrueFlip (TFL) tokens, 2,500 Ether (ETH) tokens, and 1,700 Dai (DAI) tokens, 118 million TRON (TRX) tokens, and Bitcoin (BTC) tokens all drained from hot wallets.
- The attacker(s) then swapped stablecoins and some of the other tokens for Ether (ETH), and bridged them via the Avalanche bridge to Bitcoin (BTC), as part of the laundering process.
- Some addresses used to launder stolen funds were also used to launder funds from other recent Lazarus Group heists (see Figure 8).
- Based on the timing, the Alphapo heist could have been due to the JumpCloud intrusion (see para. 136).

Figure 4: Alphapo heist laundering



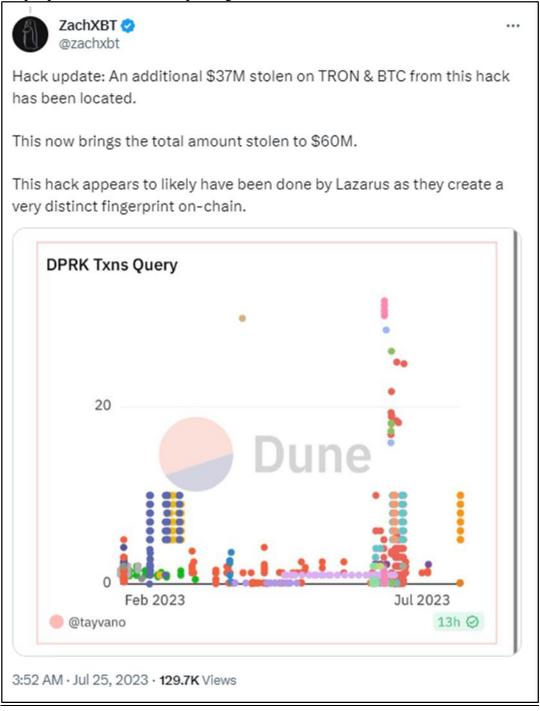
Source: https://twitter.com/PeckShieldAlert/status/1683034275489382401

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>271</sup> https://www.fbi.gov/news/press-releases/fbi-identifies-lazarus-group-cyber-actors-as-responsible-for-theft-of-41-million-from-stakecom

Figure 5 : Alphapo heist social media posting



Source: https://twitter.com/zachxbt/status/1683747073227624448

#### CoinsPaid, 22 July 2023, \$44 million

- CoinsPaid announced that, based on their internal investigation, they suspected that the Lazarus Group was responsible for the heist (see Figure 6).
- A Member State law enforcement agency has attributed the heist to the Lazarus Group.<sup>272</sup>
- Attack methodology:
  - o As part of a spearphishing campaign by the attacker(s), a CoinsPaid employee participated in an interview for a purported job from another cryptocurrency exchange.
  - o During the interview process, the employee received a test assignment that required installation of an application with malicious code.
  - o After the victim opened the test, the attacker(s) were able to steal profiles and keys from the employee's computer to connect with CoinsPaid's infrastructure, through which the attacker(s) took advantage of a vulnerability and opened a backdoor.
  - o The attacker(s) explored the CoinsPaid system and were able to reproduce legitimate requests to withdraw funds from CoinsPaid's hot wallets. The attacker(s) did not breach Coinspaid's hot wallets or acquire private keys to access the wallets' funds directly.
- Tether (USDT), Ether (ETH), and Bitcoin (BTC) tokens were stolen and moved to new addresses within minutes.
- The heist occurred within 5 hours of the Alphapo, with the same laundering pattern
- Laundering included use of Avalanche, Sinbad, Samurai Ricochet, SwftSwap, SunSwap, SimpleSwap, UniSwap, and centralized exchanges (see Figure 7).
- Some addresses used to launder stolen funds were also used to launder funds from other recent Lazarus Group heists (see Figure 8).
- Based on the timing, the Alphapo heist could have been due to the JumpCloud intrusion (see para. 136). CoinsPaid noted that "Recruiters from crypto companies contacted CoinsPaid employees via LinkedIn and various Messengers, offering very high salaries. For instance, some of our team members received job offers with compensation ranging from 16,000-24,000 USD a month. During the interview process, the perpetrators aimed to trick the candidates into installing the JumpCloud Agent or a special program to complete a technical task."<sup>273</sup>

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<sup>272</sup> https://www.fbi.gov/news/press-releases/fbi-identifies-lazarus-group-cyber-actors-as-responsible-for-theft-of-41-million-fromstakecom

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>273</sup> https://CoinsPaid.com/company-updates/the-CoinsPaid-hack-explained/

#### Figure 6: CoinsPaid heist attack timeline

# Hackers Spent 6 Months Tracking and Studying CoinsPaid

We now know that Lazarus, the supposed hacker group behind the attack, spent half a year trying to infiltrate the CoinsPaid systems and find vulnerabilities.

- Since March 2023, we have been registering constant unsuccessful attacks on the company of various kinds, ranging from social engineering to DDos and BruteForce.
- On March 27, 2023, key CoinsPaid engineers received requests from an allegedly Ukrainian crypto processing startup with a list of questions regarding technical infrastructure, as confirmed by 3 major developers of the company.
- In April-May 2023, we experienced 4 major attacks on our systems aimed at gaining access to the accounts of CoinsPaid employees and customers. The spam and phishing activities against our team members were constant and highly aggressive.
- In June-July 2023, a malicious campaign was carried out involving bribing and fakehiring critical company personnel.
- On July 7, 2023, a massive, carefully planned and prepared attack was executed targeting CoinsPaid infrastructure and applications. From 20:48 to 21:42, we registered unusually high network activity: over 150,000 different IP addresses were involved.

The perpetrators' main goal was to trick a critical employee into installing software to gain remote control of a computer for the purpose of infiltrating and accessing CoinsPaid's internal systems. After 6 months of failed attempts, the hackers managed to attack our infrastructure on July 22, 2023, successfully.

Source: https://CoinsPaid.com/company-updates/the-CoinsPaid-hack-explained/

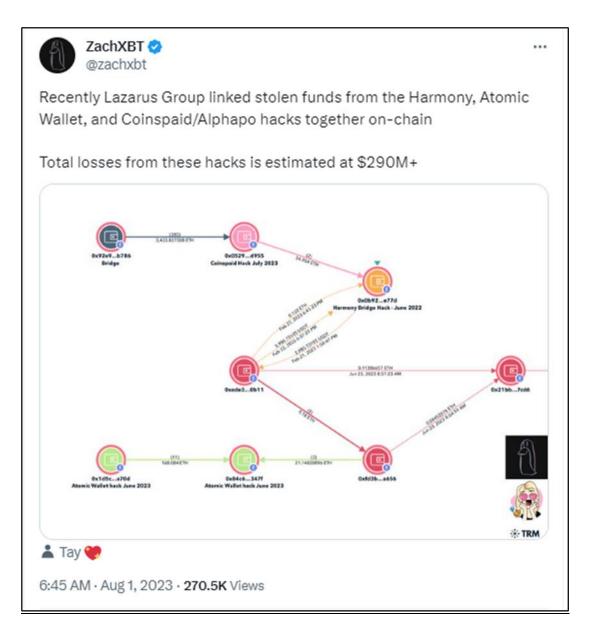
SunSwap TRX, USDT USDT ++ TRX JustWrapper Shielded USDT Exchanges (Binance, Huobi, Kucoin, Bybit, TRX USDT BitGet, MÉXC) USDT Avalanche Avalanche Sinbad ETH SwftSwap CoinsPaid Bridge Bridge mixer Large Address UniSwap Network BTC BTC

Figure 7: CoinsPaid Heist Laundering

Source: https://CoinsPaid.com/company-updates/the-CoinsPaid-hack-explained/

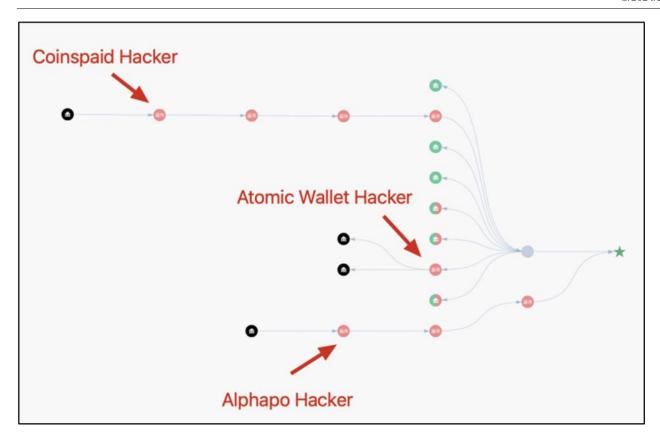
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Figure 8: Overlap of laundering addresses for Harmony Bridge,<sup>274</sup> Atomic Wallet, Alphapo, and CoinsPaid heists



Source: https://twitter.com/zachxbt/status/1686327312843780097

<sup>274</sup> See S/2023/171 para 165.



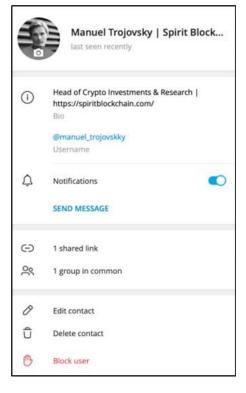
Source: https://www.slowmist.com/report/2023-Blockchain-Security-and-AML-Annual-Report(EN).pdf

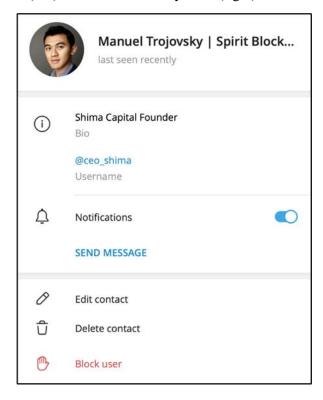
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#### Steadefi, 7 August 2023, \$1.16m

- The attacker(s) took control of the private keys of the hot wallet that had ownership of the contracts.
- Prior to the attack, an employee's Metamask wallet seed phrase was copied, providing access to the employee's personal wallets as well as the Steadefi hot wallet. The attacker(s) then approved an attacker-controlled wallet (0x9cf71f2ff126b9743319b60d2d873f0e508810dc) to be an approved borrower of the lending vaults, and "borrowed" all available assets from the lending vault to the attacker(s)' wallet.
- The attacker(s) obtained access by reaching out on Telegram to a Steadefi employee in mid-June 2023, pretending to be from "@manuel\_trojovskky" ("Head of Crypto Investments & Research") of the Spirit Blockchain Group, a cryptocurrency fund looking for projects to invest in (note: as of mid-January 2024, the telegram user's name had been changed to "ceo\_shima," "Shima Capital Founder," and photo had been changed) (see Figure 9).
- After establishing contact, the "fund manager" sent a malicious file that purported to be a presentation about the investment fund (see Figure 10). The file may have been a keylogger. A few days after the exploit, the attacker(s) deleted the Telegram conversation messages.
- The attacker(s) converted the stolen funds to Ether (ETH), bridged the ETH to the Ethereum mainnet, moved the ETH to another wallet (0xe10d4a5bd440775226c7e1858f573e379d0aca36), and eventually moved the funds to the Tornado Cash mixer.
- This attack is likely part of a broader Lazarus Group campaign of spearphishing on Telegram, targeting the cryptocurrency industry (see figure 11 and see para. 188).

Figure 9: Attacker's Telegram profile at time of attack (left) and as of 14 January 2024 (right)





Source: Panel.

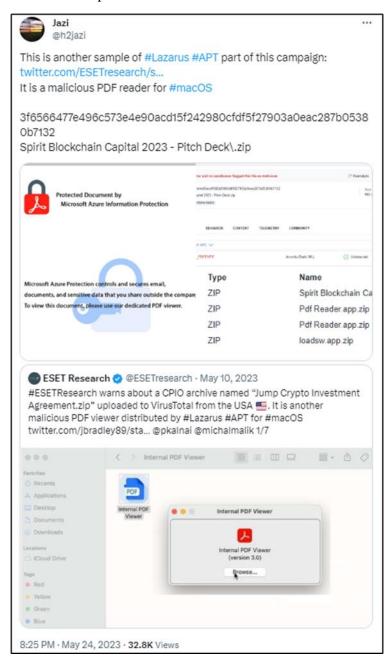
Manue Trojovsky | Spirit Blockchain Capital Q & 0 how are you? I hope this message finds you well. This name is Manuel, and I am the head of crypto investment and business development at Spirit Blockchain Capital. I'm contacting you as introducec you to me.Actually, I wanted to reach out to you as our fund just successfully closed our latest fundraising round. Our investment strategy primarily focuses on Web3 projects as well as digital asset management. We provide token direct investment and equity fund, and no credit at the moment. I look forward to hearing from you and possibly exploring further ways we can cooperate. Sincerely, Manuel Hey Manuel! 2:17 PM W Thanks for reaching out and congrats on the closing of your Happy to share more about Steadefi — let me create a chatgroup 2:17 PM W now I'm in Japan so the time zone would work. let me pick a oh nicel 2:25 PM W if you were in would have been happy to meet up heh My business finished on Saturday so I booked on Friday. I think I can visit you on Sunday or next Monday if that works. anyhow, here is our whitepaper so please have a look 2:26 PM https://shared.dropbox-docsend.online/data96139/spiritblock:hain-capital-detail Spirit Blockchain Investors - Spirit Blockchain SPIR Invest in US A unique business in a dynamic industry Spirit's common shares trade on the Canadian Securities Exchange (CSE) Symbol: SPIR.. 2:26 PM Manuel Trojovsky | Spirit Blockchain Capital My business finished on Saturday so | booked on Fri... do you mean you're heading to Manuel Trojovsky | Spirit Blockchain Capital https://shared.dropbox-docsend.online/data... hey apologies, i cant seem to open this up 2:30 PM W any chance you can share the .pdf version directly? 2:30 PM W oh sorry for that, there must have been a problem, please try again. ok yes, its fixed 2:38 PM J/

Figure 10: Malicious file sent by attacker during conversation with the Steadefi victim

Source: Panel.

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Figure 11: Attack link to Lazarus Group



Source: https://twitter.com/h2jazi/status/1661528861211860993

## Stake.com, 4 September 2023, \$41.3m

- Stake.com has reported that the heist was effected through a compromise of the company's payment processor (EasyGo).
- A Member State law enforcement agency has attributed the heist to the Lazarus Group.<sup>275</sup>
- The attacker(s) moved the stolen funds including Ether (ETH), Tether (USDT), Dai (DAI), USD Coin (USDC), Polygon (MATIC), and BNB (BNB) tokens, and associated with the Ethereum, Binance Smart Chain (BSC), and Polygon networks from Stake.com into various wallet addresses (see Table 1).
- Funds were initially moved to 173 intermediary wallets and then didn't move for days or weeks.
   ETH and BSC assets were primarily swapped into unfreezable native assets and held. MATIC
   tokens were swapped and bridged into stablecoins and then into Bitcoin (BTC), where they were
   held. These laundering moves involved a number of protocols and platforms, including
   ChangeNOW, MEXC, Squid Router, and Avalanche (see Figure 12).

Table 1

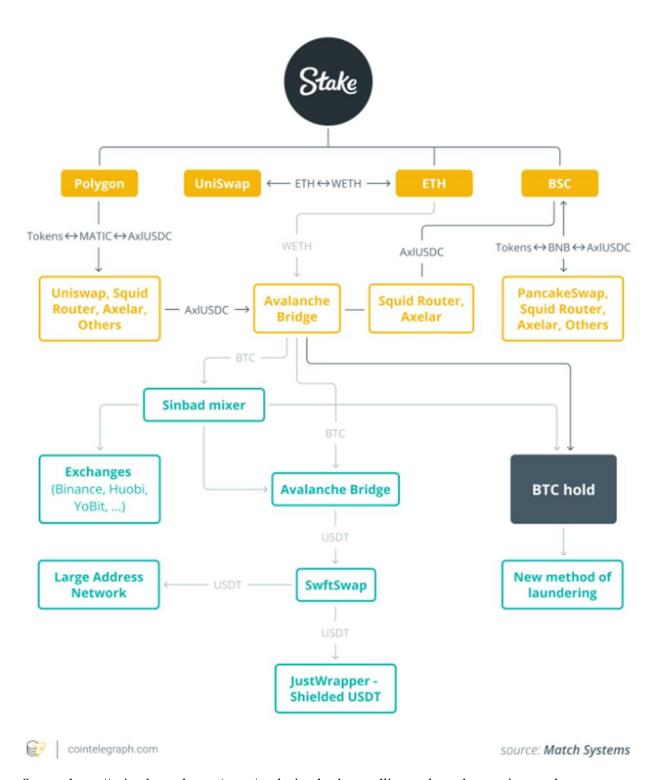
Address	Network	Address	Network
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0xba36735021a9ccd7582ebc7f70164794154ff30e	Ethereum	bc1qrqv5f7jxhp67jcgk9wv5jx4795wlntvhdz2a7j	Bitcoin
0xbda83686c90314cfbaaeb18db46723d83fdf0c83	Ethereum	bc1q82gvk20m08uctmmr97p2mqyxtyh6xf68rwe0t9	Bitcoin
0x7d84d78bb9b6044a45fa08b7fe109f2c8648ab4e	Ethereum	bc1q8y9wc2p9444y8r77xtmswxm9qqw90nrpufkx47	Bitcoin
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0x95b6656838a1d852dd1313c659581f36b2afb237	BSC	bc1qy0ggpxu8f6lta6vf44vervr4py2uu829grj8yh	Bitcoin
0xa2e898180d0bc3713025d8590615a832397a8032	Polygon	bc1q32dzmf4t5a3xxvyxn07scgpmjznnz3kwjhw8uc	Bitcoin
0xa26213638f79f2ed98d474cbcb87551da909685e	Polygon	bc1qkrkxgvp2te3xhgn74c2azt4flf9u05y56kh3a9	Bitcoin
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*Source*: https://www.fbi.gov/news/press-releases/fbi-identifies-lazarus-group-cyber-actors-as-responsible-for-theft-of-41-million-from-stakecom

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Figure 12: Stake.com heist laundering and stolen funds flows



Source: https://cointelegraph.com/news/exclusive-hackers-selling-stolen-tokens-coinex-stake

### CoinEx, 12 September 2023, \$70m

- Heist effected through the leak of a hot wallet private key.
- Stolen cryptocurrencies included Bitcoin (BTC), Ethereum (ETH), BNB Smart Chain (BSC), and TRON (TRX) tokens (see Figure 13).
- Analysis shows that some of the assets stolen from CoinEx were sent to an address that was also used by the Lazarus Group to launder funds stolen from Stake.com. The assets were then bridged to Ethereum and sent back to an address controlled by the CoinEx attacker(s) (see Figures 14 and 15).
- According to Slowmist, the laundering of the stolen funds from the CoinEx hot wallet leak
  incident occurred in multiple phases and exhibited different laundering behaviors across
  various chains, as follows:
  - Phase one comprised the transfer of TRON stolen funds, BSC stolen funds, and Solana (SOL) stolen funds the BTC Network; Funds from other chains were cross-chain exchanged through exchanges like ChangeNOW, FixedFloat, and Simpleswap.
  - Phase Two involved transferring the funds from the BTC Network to the Tron Chain and a suspected OTC, using cross-chain platforms
  - Phase Three was the withdrawal from the Sinbad Mixer, through BTC and Thorchain, to the ETH Chain.

Figure 13: CoinEx stolen assets

Chain	Asset	Chain	Asset
BTC	231 BTC	KDA	2,214,700 KDA
ETH	4,953 ETH	BCH	2,220 BCH
SOL	135,600 SOL	XDAG	229,291,485 XDAG
TRON	137,127,860 TRX	TOMO	259,494 TOMO
XRP	12,625,364 XRP	VET	42,422,648 VET
BNB	29,552 BNB	LTC	5,435 LTC
XLM	4,321,978 XLM	DOGE	16,695,400 DOGE
TON	325,430 TON	AIDOGE	5,454,650,258,018,313 AIDOGE
ETHW	124,600 ETHW	ETC	7,434 ETC

*Source*: https://announcement.coinex.com/hc/en-us/articles/19187420867348-Latest-Progress-of-the-Hacking-Attack-on-Sep-12-2023-Updated-on-Sep-14-

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Figure 14: Suspicious addresses connected to the CoinEx heist

Chain	Suspicious Addresses
	addr1qxch3q3knzn3qvnh4rzc8r2u9hemz9sn8ws49jnvp6ptsuq4jkaf
4 D 4	9r8mqwu3t5h9krvlksmdfp84kmhjqwy3dag5m32q22m8y9
ADA	addr1q9zwxfgk7rzacd8mnzywl9rfsjllp24sugh9lmh83seunsdk6cq4we
	08j69uphlxh4ku5e5v3ftwvn5rn2zuj5pzedaq2u5phl
ADT	0x2a80f8be5f79fc6619cba022e38ed44cb3d1
APT	5d05d26fc1c2238d8f90fbff94d6
	0xfEec9F846E2FE529B765d832EBa988a399Fe3cD6
	0x838c92ee71eba4fabb1c19d7403bf36c178d9002
ARB	0x9C607136294f0541a06bb0828D6b42351bDB8e31
	0xf2f11edbfd0b7ab74be1e822f9538f4f3810065b
	0x8e585ce8181e1aaa4dd0806257609c21c0b73f2e
	cosmos16ey6wvs2ce2vq8865dsmpnmgv0tuc96xp73a48
	cosmos1f253rm4w9rdva97q4s2w0ltuc29pen0llpv4qn
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	cosmos10xxtss5m6peaqwj64mekdsjn63jqcs8k5e2u93
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BSC	0xC844F7178379782eC19F3EE6E399f2EB7b2b984F
	1BHNb9UJy4cWFB5wywZkTVgoNB4JbFmswH
	bc1qpwzvs544euec5eqc9xk2h9qr9885hgwqums0yp
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	bc1q0nhyk3es3am9kxud0ye352lf2s59ctvcuhg4dd
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EIC	0x168c86825587df2e5ae659a22ad7e0b10df93b70
	0xdc35988ff5fea2b87561b30746fbb9b72b1c1628
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ETH	0x483D88278Cbc0C9105c4807d558E06782AEFf584
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XDAG	15VY3MadZvLpXhjzFXwCUmtZcHszju6L9
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XLM	RB3ODROTMOEENZFC6WJFPN

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XTZ	VT7	tz1UH89jqhV9x9W6UKByuUQkeGhWtWgm1Fq2
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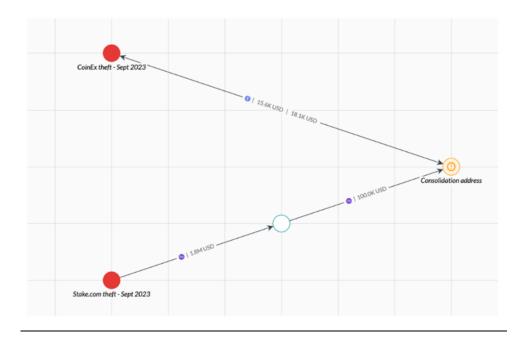
Source: https://announcement.coinex.com/hc/en-us/articles/19187420867348-Latest-Progress-of-the-Hacking-Attack-on-Sep-12-2023-Updated-on-Sep-14-

Figure 15: Overlapping consolidation address for Stake.com and CoinEx heists

Social media post



## Blog post



Source: https://www.elliptic.co/blog/how-the-lazarus-group-is-stepping-up-crypto-hacks-and-changing-its-tactics

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#### Fantom Foundation, 17 October 2023, \$7.5 million

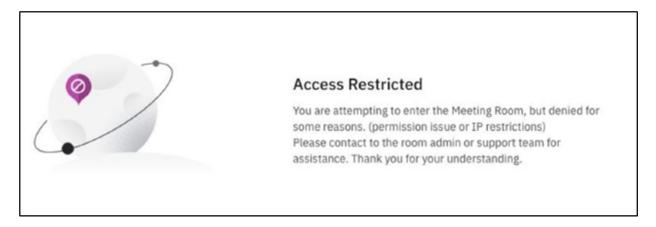
- Lazarus Group likely responsible
- Attack methodology:
  - O As part of a spearphishing campaign by the attacker(s) on Telegram, a Fantom Foundation employee received a message from an individual claiming to be the founder of an established blockchain and investment fund and purporting to be located in an Asian country, who was interested in investing in Fantom Foundation and requested a video call to discuss (see Figure 16). The attacker was not pushy or forceful in setting a date for the call.
  - The attacker sent a video link to join the call that resulted in an "access restricted" message (see Figure 17); the attacker sent a troubleshooting link which automatically downloaded an Applescript file without any warnings or prompts (see Figure 18). The file contained troubleshooting instructions to run a script, which did not result in any abnormal computer processes and was not identified as malicious by antivirus software.
  - After approximately 25 minutes of "troubleshooting", the attacker agreed to meet on another, established platform, at a later date. However, the same day as the initial call attempt, the victim noticed messages disappearing from Telegram, and less than 24 hours later, wallets associated with the victim's Metamask Chrome Browser extension were being drained (both personal and those of Fantom Foundation). The extension subsequently crashed and the victim was unable to use Chrome; after a compute restart, the Chrome application disappeared completely. By the time the victim redownloaded Chrome and Metamask and restored access to wallets, they were almost completely drained.
  - Subsequent investigation determined that malicious IP address 104.168.137.21 had gained unauthorized access to the victim's computer to effect the heist, and that the script had resulted in all of the victim's Chrome data (including Metamask wallets) being stolen.
- This attack is part of a broader Lazarus Group campaign of spearphishing on Telegram, targeting the cryptocurrency industry (see para 188).
- The attacker(s) stole 47 cryptocurrencies from the Ethereum, Optimism, Fantom, Polygon, and Arb blockchains, from 11 cryptocurrency wallets (see Figure 19). The stolen cryptocurrency was converted into Ether (ETH) using services such as Squid Router and deposited into Tornado Cash.

Figure 16: Attacker's Telegram profile



Source: Panel.

Figure 17: Video call "access restricted" message



Source: Panel.

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Figure 18: "Troubleshooting" link



## Hironao Kunimitsu | Gumi-Cryptos

20:36

I see. Just a moment, let me ask the tech team. seems there is an issue.

Hey sorry but seems there is location issue on your side 20:37 (could be IP issue). Please use this to allow your IP access and try again.

https://support.video-meet.team/troubleshoot-issue-018266 20:38

once you fix the issue, you will get the success message, then you can 20:38 join.

Source: Panel.

## Figure 19: Wallet addresses

## Victim wallets

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## Perpetrator wallets

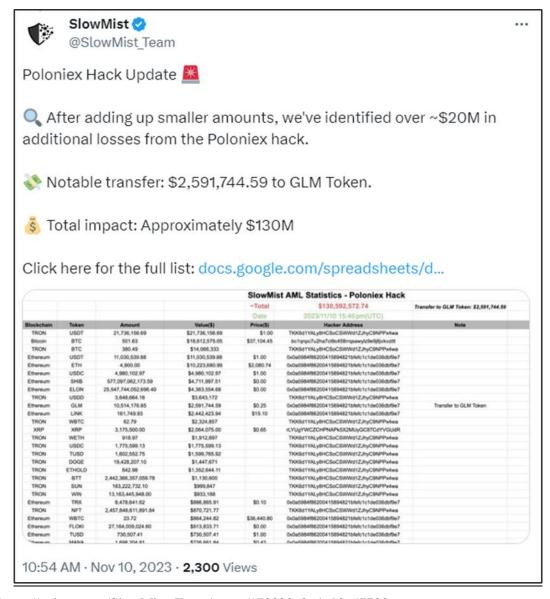
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Source: Panel.

## Poloniex, 10 November 2023, \$114 million

- Possibly effected by a private key leak.
- The stolen assets included dozens of coins on the Ethereum, Tron, Bitcoin, and XRP blockchains (see figure 20).
- Attack patterns similar to previous Lazarus Group heists.
- In the laundering process, the funds were distributed across various addresses, with each address handling only one type of token. Intermediate addresses were used to swap Ethereum and TRON network tokens through decentralized exchanges, after which the assets were converted into Ether (ETH) and TRON (TRX).

Figure 20: Poloniex heist stolen assets



Source: https://twitter.com/SlowMist\_Team/status/1723006264693657708

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### HTX (fka Huobi), 22 November 2023, \$30 million

- Effected through a hot wallet private key leak (see Figure 21).
- Lazarus Group suspected due to similar attack patterns.

## HECO Chain (HTX Eco Chain bridge), 22 November, \$86 million+

- Effected through a hot wallet private key leak.
- Lazarus Group suspected due to similar attack patterns.
- Attackers stole multiple crptocurrenies, including Tether (USDT), Ether (ETH), and Huobi BTC (HBTC), USD Coin (USDC), Chainlink (LINK), and Shiba Inu (SHIB) tokens.

Figure 21: HTX and HECO attacks

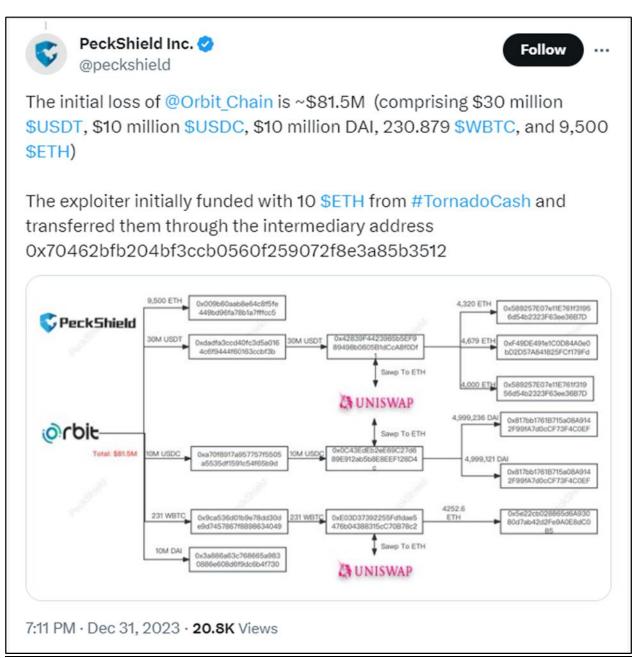


Source: https://twitter.com/ChainLight\_io/status/1729530920179527720

#### Orbit Chain, 31 December 2023, \$81 million

- The attacker(s) stole funds from Orbit Chain's Ethereum (ETH) Vault, where assets are deposited during the bridging/conversion process.
- Stolen currencies included approximately USD 30 million Tether (USDT), USD 22 million in ETH, USD 10 million in USD Coin (USDC), USD 10 million in DAI (DAI), USD 10 million in Wrapped Bitcoin (WBTC) (see Figure 22).
- Laundering involved SWFT, Avalance Bridge, Sinbad mixer.

Figure 22: Initial laundering of Orbit Chain stolen funds



Source: https://twitter.com/peckshield/status/1741613040335036513

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It has also occurred to Orbit Chain team that this possibility exists.

## @tayvano\_

Thank you for providing us with the newly updated information. Following a thorough review of the claim, an appropriate response plan will be developed.



Source: https://twitter.com/Orbit\_Chain/status/1741846105149821166

# Annex 95: Suspected DPRK cyberattacks on cryptocurrency-related companies (2017-2023) investigated by the Panel

## <u>2017</u>

Victim	Date	Amount (USD equivalent)	Location
Bithumb	February	7 million (m)	ROK
Youbit/Yapizon/ Coinbin	22 April	4.8m	ROK
Bithumb	June	7m+	ROK
Coinis	September	2.19m	ROK
Youbit/Yapizon/ Coinbin	19 December	2.65m	ROK
NiceHash	December	65m	Slovenia

## <u>2018</u>

Victim	Date	Amount	Location
Gate.io	21 April	234m	Caymen Islands
Coinrail	9 June	37m	ROK
Cypherium	18 March	8.5m	U.S.
Coinsecure	12 April	3.5m	India
Taylor	29 May	1.7m	Estonia
Bithumb	June	31.5m	ROK
Bancor	9 July	23.5m	Switzerland
[unidentified company]	August	13m	India
Indodax	1 September	24.9m	Indonesia
Zaif	14 September	60m	Japan
Trade.io	20 October	~10m	Switzerland

## <u>2019</u>

Victim	Date	Amount	Location
Cryptopia	14 January	16m	New Zealand
Bithumb	March	16m	ROK
DragonEx	March	7m	Thailand/ Singapore/ Hong Kong, China
CoinBene	25 March	105m	Singapore
BiKi	26 March	12.3m	Singapore
UpBit	28 May	50.7m	ROK
CoinTiger	1 July	272,000	Singapore
Algo Capital	25 September	2m	Gibralter

## <u>2020</u>

Victim	Date	Amount	Location
[financial services company]	7 August	11.8m	U.S.
Eterbase	7 September	5.4m	Slovakia
KuCoin	26 September	275m	Seychelles
Nexus Mutual	14 November	8m	UK

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## <u>2021</u>

Victim	Date	Amount	Location
EasyFi	19 April	81m	India
FinNexus	17 May	7m	British Virgin Islands
Fetch.ai	7 June	2.6m	UK
Bondly Finance (aka Forj)	14 July	5.9m	U.S.
MGNR	8 October	24.1m	unidentified
bzx	3 November	55m	U.S.

## 2022

Victim	Date	Amount	Location
Qubit Finance	January	80m	ROK
DeFiance Capital (NFT heist)	22 March	1.7m	Singapore
Sky Mavis/Ronin	23 March	620m	Vietnam / Singapore
Harmony	23 June	100m	U.S.
Nomad	August	190m	U.S.

## <u>2023</u>

Victim	Date	Amount	Location
Terraport Finance	10 April	2m	ROK/UK
Merlin DEX			
(possibly DPRK IT workers)	26 April	1.8m	UK
Atomic Wallet	2 June	121m	Estonia
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[investment platform]	11 June	17.6m	unidentified
Alphapo	22 July	113.5m	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
CoinsPaid	22 July	44m	Estonia
Steadefi	7 August	1.2m	British Virgin Islands
[unidentified company]	16 August	2.9m	unidentified
Stake.com	4 September	41.3m	Australia
CoinEx	12 September	70m	Hong Kong, China
[unidentified company]	28 September	3m	France
Fantom Foundation	17 October	7.5m	Cayman Islands
Poloniex	10 November	130m	U.S.
Uno Re Dao			
(possibly DPRK IT	14 November	219,000	Estonia
workers)			
HTX	22 November	30m	Seychelles
HECO Chain	22 November	86m+	unidentified
Orbit Chain	31 December	81m	ROK

*Source*: Information from Member States, statements by Government agencies, corporate statements, reports by cybersecurity firms and media articles, Panel investigations.

## Annex 96: DPRK malicious cyber actors' patterns to steal funds from companies related to the cryptocurrency industry

- Attack vectors
  - Phishing lures
  - Social engineering
  - Weak code / protocols and human error
  - 3rd party (supply chain)
- Cryptocurrency laundering (layering)
  - Theft of multiple assets
  - Hundreds to thousands of intermediary addresses
  - Use of the Bitcoin Network
  - Asset swapping via decentralized and centralized exchanges<sup>276</sup>
  - Increasing use of chain hopping
  - o Bridging<sup>277</sup>
  - Instant exchange services<sup>278</sup>
  - Mixers<sup>279</sup> and privacy protocols<sup>280</sup>
  - Moving through multiple chains, including uncommon tokens
  - Speed to prevent freezing of funds
  - Increasing reliance on services based in Russia and China
- Cashout (integration)
  - Affinity for TRON blockchain and stablecoins, especially Tether (USDT)
  - Heavy reliance on 3rd party launderers and over-the-counter brokers (high volume, high-value addresses)<sup>281</sup>
  - Purchased credentials and compromised accounts
  - Less reliance on centralized exchanges

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>276</sup> Including services such as Binance, Bybit, HTX (Huobi), MEXC, Garantex, 1inch, and Uniswap

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>277</sup> Including Avalanche, SWFT, Thorchain, Squid Router, Stargate, and Across.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>278</sup> Including Fixed Float, Simple Swap, and ChangeNow; such services generally have little or no KYC/AML procedures in place.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>279</sup> According to one blockchain company, DPRK cyber actors have "largely abandoned" use of the Tornado Cash mixer after its 2022 designation by a Member State and are instead utilizing "more traditional Bitcoin mixers." Prior to the Member State designation, DPRK cyber actors were using Tornado Cash to launder approximately half of their stolen funds. See

https://www.trmlabs.com/post/tornado-cash-volume-dramatically-reduced-post-sanctions-but-illicit-actors-are-still-using-the-mixer. In November 2023, a Member State designated the mixer Sinbad, "a key money-laundering tool" of the Lazarus Group, and seized the mixer's website. Sinbad reportedly processed millions of dollars' worth of virtual currency from Lazarus Group heists, including the Horizon Bridge and Axie Infinity heists (see S/2022/668, paras. 147 and 148, S/2023/171 para165, S/2023/656 para 139, and https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy0768). Industry reports have identified Sinbad.io as a replacement for Blender.io, after the latter's designation by the same Member State in 2022. DPRK cyber actors reportedly used Blender to launder over USD 25 million worth of stolen funds from the Ronin Network (Sky Mavis/Axie Infinity) and Tornado Cash to launder over \$553 million stolen from the Ronin Network, Harmony Bridge, and Nomad Bridge, all of which occurred in 2022. <sup>280</sup> Including Sinbad, Shielded TRON, Samurai Ricochet, YoMix Tornado Cash, CryptoMixer, and Wasabi Wallet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>281</sup> The Panel reported investigations into Wu Huihui and Cheng Hung Man, China-based over-the-counter traders reportedly facilitating conversion of DPRK-stolen virtual currency into fiat currency (S/2023/656 para 142). A blockchain company told the Panel in October 2023 that these individuals are still very active on the blockchain, using new wallets, and are continuing involvement in converting a large portion of DPRK-stolen cryptocurrency funds into fiat.

One cyber company emphasized that these DPRK actors are constantly seeking and using new methods to obscure their movement of stolen funds. As part of the DPRK's laundering process in 2023, the company reported that stolen cryptocurrencies will be swapped from one currency to another, and then back to the original currency, and bridged from one currency to another, and then back to the original currency. Currencies will be sent to and from mixers and privacy protocols multiple times. These methods will be used numerous times within the laundering process for the same hack to further obfuscate the source of funds. Given the significant time and transaction fees that this activity requires, there seems to be no legitimate purpose for this activity. The DPRK also reportedly utilizes automated transactions to deploy these tactics on a large scale, quickly, and in a common pattern.

According to another cybersecurity company,<sup>282</sup> "once cryptocurrency is stolen and converted into fiat currency, North Korean threat actors funnel the funds between different accounts to obscure the source." As part of this process, DPRK cyber actors reportedly utilize stolen account information, identities, and altered photos to register accounts at cryptocurrency exchanges pass anti-money-laundering and know-your-customer (AML/KYC) verification requirements. In addition, the DPRK has reportedly "developed an extensive money-laundering network to facilitate the movement of billions of dollars' worth of stolen cryptocurrency from when it's stolen to when it's converted to fiat currency or used to purchase goods and services" for the DPRK.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>282</sup> https://www.recordedfuture.com/crypto-country-north-koreas-targeting-cryptocurrency.

## Annex 97: Cryptocurrency wallet, email, and IP addresses associated with a late 2023 cryptocurrency service's seizure of suspected DPRK-linked cryptocurrencies<sup>283,284</sup>

### Wallet addresses

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>283</sup> Seizures (freezing of funds) were carried out based on the service's analytics as well as information provided by other cryptocurrency services and engagement with a Member State's law enforcement agency.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>284</sup> The transactions included transfers between Bitcoin (BTC), DAI (DAI), Monero (XMR), Ether (ETH), Tron (TRX), Tether (USDT), Arbitrum (ARB), and Polygon (MATIC) coins.

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TXRXY7sEenLNaXUbNuyNzRZFBrKdLb
TYnC673dMhmhbktBP5DNxWiTr7Uzre
TZAgVhZk8jx56gsvxEFumjnEf8T6rs

## Email addresses

Email address	Associated name (if available)
sa_lia@[.]com	Sa Lia (note: email account language was set to Chinese)
leaf20202011@[.]com	Mmhy Yyh (note: email account language was set to Chinese)
zakulasukirg@[.]com	Zakula Sukir (note: email account language was set to Chinese)
otcmike@ [.]com	Mike OTC
arvinaskong21@ [.]com	Arvin
alexander_markenov@ [.]me	
janewang[.]binance98@ [.]com	Jane Wang
jayliang812@ [.]com	Jay Liang
n65741556@ [.]com	Nguyen Vinh
aubreylindhorst@ [.]com	Aubrey Lindhorst
luminar198@ [.]com	
js382653@ <b></b> [.]com	John Smith
ravishweijer@ [.]com	Ravish
decongingroun6f@ [.]com	Jimmy Lee
shaolin386@ [.]com	Shao Lin
ton8689@ [.]me	(note: email account language was set to Chinese)
hoaleta2018@ [.]com	Hoa Le Van (note: email account language was set to Korean)
xie18079861378@ [.]com	(note: email account language was set to Chinese)
yunisemgar@[.]com	
sergeitest12@ [.]com	
changellybrown@ [.]com	

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alinainc111@ [.]com

Note: email addresses include the iCloud, Gmail, Outlook, Hotmail, Proton, GMX, 163, Skiff, Protonmail, and Yopmail services.

## Transaction IP addresses

5.226.137.4
27.109.114.188
37.120.151.162
37.140.254.144
37.140.254.189
45.128.199.27
45.8.25.82
45.8.68.79
45.8.68.80
45.83.220.216
45.86.202.216
45.86.202.4
45.95.243.104
45.95.243.155
66.115.146.163
78.109.18.227
84.247.59.103
84.247.59.113
84.247.59.115
84.247.59.123
84.247.59.13
84.247.59.145
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85.203.15.105
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85.203.45.198
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91.221.66.87
94.200.95.34
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104.234.140.132
108.181.50.58
114.42.193.83
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117.20.116.53
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146.70.199.8
146.70.42.122
149.36.50.13
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157.97.122.40
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182.239.115.43
182.239.92.147
182.239.92.58
182.239.93.210
182.239.93.41
185.107.69.214
185.192.71.14
185.204.1.184
185.82.72.120
188.212.135.178
191.101.126.192
191.96.180.36
191.96.180.37
191.96.180.52
191.96.180.54
191.96.180.77
194.32.120.58
194.32.120.76
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194.5.48.71
194.5.53.248
194.5.83.4
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212.30.37.214
212.30.37.30

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## Annex 98: Kimsuky email addresses, websites and virtual currency addresses released by Member States

### **Email Addresses:**

- hongsiao@naver[.]com
- teriparl25@gmail[.]com
- seanchung.hanvoice@hotmail[.]com
- pkurui9999@gmail[.]com
- kennedypamla@gmail[.]com
- ds1kdie@aol[.]com
- ssdkfdlsfd@gmail[.]com
- haris2022100@outlook[.]com
- bing2020@outlook[.]kr
- marksigal1001@gmail[.]com
- donghyunkim1010@gmail[.]com
- hong\_xiao@naver[.]com
- sm.carls0000@gmail[.]com
- ds1kde@daum[.]net
- yoon.dasl@yahoo[.]com
- syshim10@mofa[.]lat

#### Websites:

- sovershopp[.]online
- onerearth[.]xyz
- mofa[.]lat
- janskinmn[.]lol
- supermeasn[.]lat
- bookstarrtion[.]online
- cdredos[.]site
- scemsal[.]site
- somelmark[.]store

### Digital Currency Addresses:

- bc1qmkh9s8qju9tkk2qckcz79we2084h2ckeqxylnq
- bc1qu9303km9mnq03hxehvtf2tzchvmkqnzyzm928d

Note: Not intended to be an exhaustive list

Source: Member States. 285

 $<sup>^{285}\</sup> https://www.mofa.go.kr/www/brd/m\_4080/view.do?seq=373737\&page=1\ and\ https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy1938$ 

## Annex 99 - Select reports of DPRK cyber actors targeting the cryptocurrency industry

Security alert: social engineering campaign targets technology industry employees," GitHub, 18 July 2023-

Summary: A recent DPRK social engineering campaign perpetrated by Bluenoroff targets the personal accounts of employees of technology firms, using a combination of repository invitations and malicious npm package dependencies. Many of these targeted accounts are connected to the blockchain, cryptocurrency, or online gambling sectors. The attacks begin with the DPRK cyber actors impersonating a developer or recruiter by creating one or more fake persona accounts, or legitimate accounts that have been taken over by the DPRK actors, on GitHub and other social media providers. These fake personas have also been identified on LinkedIn, Slack, and Telegram. The DPRK actors may initiate contact on one social media platform and then attempt to move the conversation to another. After establishing contact, the DPRK actor invites the target to collaborate on a GitHub repository containing software that includes malicious npm dependencies and convinces the target to clone and execute its contents. Some software themes used by the DPRK actors include media players and cryptocurrency trading tools. The malicious npm packages act as first-stage malware that downloads and executes second-stage malware on the victim's machine. In some cases, the DPRK actor may deliver the malicious software directly on a messaging or file sharing platform.

<u>Link</u>: https://github.blog/2023-07-18-security-alert-social-engineering-campaign-targets-technology-industry-employees/#indicators

"Spreading malware disguised as coin and investment-related content," AhnLab Security Emergency response Center (ASEC), 31 July 2023

<u>Summary</u>: Malicious cyber actors believed to be Kimsuky are distributuing malware disguised as cryptocurrency coin exchange and investment-related content. The malicious code is distributed in the form of executable files and word documents, several of which have cryptocurrency-related names.

Link: https://asec.ahnlab.com/ko/55646/

"Konni APT exploits WinRAR vulnerability (CVE-2023-38831) targeting the cryptocurrency industry," Chuangyu 404 Advanced Threat Intelligence Team, 14 September 2023

<u>Summary</u>: ScarCruft (APT 37) group has been identified using the WinRAR vulnerability (CVE-2023-38831) to attack the cryptocurrency industry, a significant shift in the group's traditional targeting. ScarCruft used a malicious payload disguised as a wallet screenshot named "wallet\_Screenshot\_2023\_09\_06\_Qbao\_Network.zip," likely a reference to Qbao Network, a smart cryptocurrency wallet service.

Link: https://paper.seebug.org/3033/

"Detailed Malware Analysis Report: Putty disguised as malware (Lazarus APT) (악성코드 상세분석 보고서: 악성코드로 둔갑한 Putty (Lazarus APT))," Hauri, 9 October 2023

<u>Summary</u>: Since June 2022, the Lazarus Group actors have been creating malware by modifying open source software (such as PuTTY, KiTTY, TightVNC, Sumatra PDF Reader, and muPDF/Subliminal Recording), and have also pretended to be recruiters on LinkedIn in order to target victims with malware. Moreover, it appears that the DPRK cyber actors intended at least some of this malware to target the cryptocurrency industry, as the C2 server identified in the report is a domain entitled "hxxps://blockchain-newtech[.]com."

Link: https://www.hauri.co.kr/security/security.html

"Elastic catches DPRK passing out KANDYKORN," Elastic Security Labs, 31 October 2023

<u>Summary</u>: A novel DPRK intrusion has been identified on a macOS system that targets blockchain engineers of a crypto exchange platform, lures blockchain engineers with a Python application to gain initial access, and deploys multiple complex

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stages of the attack each with deliberate defensive evasion techniques. Attackers impersonated blockchain engineering community members on a public Discord frequented by members of this community. The attacker social-engineered their initial victim, convincing them to download and decompress a ZIP archive containing malicious code. The victim believed they were installing an arbitrage bot, a software tool capable of profiting from cryptocurrency rate differences between platforms. The malicious activity was attributed to the DPRK (likely the Lazarus Group), based on analysis of the techniques, network infrastructure, code-signing certificates, and custom Lazarus Group detection rules.

Link: https://www.elastic.co/security-labs/elastic-catches-dprk-passing-out-kandykorn

"Crypto-Themed npm Packages Found Delivering Stealthy Malware," Phylum Research Team, 4 November 2023

<u>Summary</u>: On 30 October 2023 Phylum identified an unusual publication to npm called "puma-com." Upon investigation, Phylum found a very convoluted attack chain that ultimately pulled a remote file, manipulated it in place, called an exported function from that file, and then meticulously covered its tracks by removing and renaming files all along the way. Phylum identified four additional packages belonging to this campaign.

Link: https://blog.phylum.io/crypto-themed-npm-packages-found-delivering-stealthy-malware/

"BlueNoroff strikes again with new macOS malware," Jamf Threat Labs, 6 November 2023

<u>Summary</u>: A BlueNoroff malware variant dubbed "ObjCShellz" was discovered that shares characteristics with the previously-reported RustBucket campaign. In this campaign, the actor reaches out to a target claiming to be interested in partnering with or offering them something beneficial under the guise of an investor or head hunter. BlueNoroff often creates a domain that looks like it belongs to a legitimate crypto company in order to blend in with network activity; in this case, the malware was observed communicating with malicious domain "swissborg[.]blog." This malware was likely a late stage within a multi-stage malware delivered via social engineering.

Link: https://www.jamf.com/blog/bluenoroff-strikes-again-with-new-macos-malware

Social media post, Microsoft Threat Intelligence, 8 November 2023

<u>Summary</u>: BlueNoroff cyber actors had, within the prior few weeks, created new websites masquerading as skills assessment portals, marking a shift in the persistent actor's tactics. As part of this, BlueNoroff is targeting users on LinkedIn and enticing them with deceptive lures related to a skills assessment, subsequently moving conversations to other platforms. The assessment portals are reportedly created to entice victims to register an account, allowing the DPRK actors to harvest their information.

Link: https://twitter.com/MsftSecIntel/status/1722316019920728437

"Hacking Employers and Seeking Employment: Two Job-Related Campaigns Bear Hallmarks of North Korean Threat Actors," Palo Alto Networks, 21 November 2023

<u>Summary</u>: In a campaign dubbed "Contagious Interview", DPRK cyber actors are posing as employers – utilizing advertisements on job search platforms and potentially email, social media, or chat platforms – to lure software developers into installing malware (hosted on Github) through the interview process, providing the DPRK actors opportunity to steal intellectual property, funds, and/or other information. The investigation also identified two new malware families, BeaverTail and InvisibleFerret. Based on some of the file names of malware deployed, the DPRK cyber actors may be impersonating legitimate AI, cryptocurrency and NFT-related companies or recruitment agencies.

Link: https://unit42.paloaltonetworks.com/two-campaigns-by-north-korea-bad-actors-target-job-hunters/

"DPRK Crypto Theft | macOS RustBucket Droppers Pivot to Deliver KandyKorn Payloads," SentinelOne, 27 November 2023

<u>Summary</u>: DPRK cyber actors have continued efforts to target macOS users associated with the cryptocurrency industry through two major campaigns in 2023, RustBucket and KandyKorn. DPRK cyber actors are 'mixing and matching' components from these two separate campaigns.

<u>Link</u>: <a href="https://www.sentinelone.com/blog/dprk-crypto-theft-macos-rustbucket-droppers-pivot-to-deliver-kandykorn-payloads/">https://www.sentinelone.com/blog/dprk-crypto-theft-macos-rustbucket-droppers-pivot-to-deliver-kandykorn-payloads/</a>

"BlueNoroff: new Trojan attacking macOS users," Kaspersky Lab, 5 December 2023

<u>Summary</u>: A recently-discovered new variety of malware targeting macOS that is linked to BlueNoroff and its ongoing campaign, RustBucket. The new malware variety was identified inside a ZIP archive that contained a PDF file named "Crypto-assets and their risks for financial stability," and appears to have been created on 21 October 2023.

Link: https://securelist.com/bluenoroff-new-macos-malware/111290/

"Analysis of North Korean Hackers' Targeted Phishing Scams on Telegram," SlowMist, 6 December 2023

<u>Summary</u>: The Lazarus Group has conducted a widespread phishing operation on Telegram since 2022, specifically targeting the cryptocurrency industry. The DPRK cyber actors impersonate reputable investment institutions, establishing fake Telegram accounts in these entities' names, to execute phishing scams against various cryptocurrency and decentralized finance project teams by reaching out to discuss potential investment opportunities and scheduling a video meeting. As part of this process, the DPRK actors attempt to convince the victim to download a script, falsely claiming it's necessary to enter the meeting room or otherwise providing malicious meeting links. The purpose of this malicious activity is to steal funds and/or information about the victims. [see also Annex 88]

<u>Link</u>: <a href="https://slowmist.medium.com/analysis-of-north-korean-hackers-targeted-phishing-scams-on-telegram-872db3f7392b">https://slowmist.medium.com/analysis-of-north-korean-hackers-targeted-phishing-scams-on-telegram-872db3f7392b</a>

"Analysis of attack samples suspected of Lazarus (APT-Q-1) involving npm package supply chain," QiAnXin Threat Intelligence Center, 7 December 2023

Summary: A batch of Lazarus Group downloader samples were recently discovered; they are loaded through multiple layers of nested PE files and ultimately download a payload from a C2 server and execute it. Of note, one of the C2 server IP addresses (IP address 91[.]206.178.125 of sample d8a8cc25bf5ef5b96ff7a64f663cbd29) identified by the Center was reportedly recently disclosed by the Phylum Research Team as used by the Lazarus Group in a software supply chain attack, in which the malware was delivered disguised as an encryption-related npm package. Other pieces of the malware code are also linked to previous Lazarus Group campaigns. Several of the C2 addresses featured in the report – including hxxps://blockchain-newtech.com/download/download[.]asp and hxxps://chaingrown.com/manage/manage[.]asp – appear to be linked to the cryptocurrency industry.

<u>Links</u>: <a href="https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/f5YE12w3x3wad5EO0EB53Q">https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/f5YE12w3x3wad5EO0EB53Q</a>, <a href="https://blog.phylum.io/crypto-themed-npm-packages-found-delivering-stealthy-malware/">https://blog.phylum.io/crypto-themed-npm-packages-found-delivering-stealthy-malware/</a>

"Update to November's Crypto-Themed npm Attack," Phylum Research Team, 5 January 2023

<u>Summary</u>: Updating on Phylum's 4 November 2023 report (see above) regarding a collection of npm packages involved in a complex attack chain, Phylum has identified nearly two dozen additional packages belonging to this still active campaign. Phylum further referenced the QiAnXin Threat Intelligence Center report (see above), "conclusively linking it to a North Korean APT." Based on this determination and given that the package names were crypto-themed, Phylum assessed it was "increasingly apparent that the campaign's ultimate objective was likely twofold: first, to gain persistent access to the systems of developers who installed these packages, and second, to leverage this access to infiltrate the broader organization these developers belong to—likely entities within the cryptocurrency sector. Presumably the end goal, given the recent history of North Korean hacking objectives, was to steal substantial cryptocurrency assets..."

<u>Link</u>: https://blog.phylum.io/crypto-themed-npm-packages-found-delivering-stealthy-malware/

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Annex 100 - Reported BlueNoroff financial domain spoofing

Malicious domains	Genuine company	Jurisdiction
abf-cap[.]co	ABF Capital	Tokyo, Japan
deck[.]altairvc[.]com	AltalR Capital	California, USA
down[.]altairvc[.]info	AltalR Capital	California, USA
angelbridge[.]capital	Angel Bridge	Tokyo, Japan
vote[.]anobaka[.]info	ANOBAKA	Tokyo, Japan
share[.]anobaka[.]info	Anobaka Venture Capital	Tokyo, Japan
cloud[.]anobaka[.]info	Anobaka Venture Capital	Tokyo, Japan
bankofamerica[.]tel	Bank of America	North Carolina, USA
bankofamerica[.]nyc	Bank of America	North Carolina, USA
bankofamerica[.]us[.]org	Bank of America	North Carolina, USA
beyondnextventures[.]co	Beyond Next Ventures	Tokyo, Japan
cloud[.]beyondnextventures[.]co	Beyond Next Ventures	Tokyo, Japan
cloud[.]daiwa[.]ventures	DG Daiwa Ventures	Tokyo, Japan
tet[.]dnx[.]capital	DNX Ventures	California, USA and Tokyo, Japan
cloud[.]dnx[.]capital	DNX Ventures	California, USA and Tokyo, Japan
cloud[.]espcapital[.]pro	ESP Capital	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
down[.]espcapital[.]co	ESP Capital	Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
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down[.]gpmtreit[.]us	Granite Point Mortgage Trust	New York, USA
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 ${\it Sources: } \underline{https://www.recorded future.com/north-korea-aligned-tag-71-spoofs-financial-institutions,} \underline{https://securelist.com/bluenoroff-methods-bypass-motw/108383/}$ 

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## Annex 101 – Compilation of cybersecurity community's effective practices

## • Training:

- Regular trainings for all organizational employees and contractors that cover basic security concepts, such as phishing, business email compromise, social engineering on social media, basic operational security, password security, etc., as well as foster an internal culture of security and cyber awareness.
- New employees receive initial cybersecurity training shortly after onboarding.
- Periodically conduct phishing exercises to raise awareness among employees about the risks of visiting websites, clicking on links, and opening attachments.

#### • Credentials:

- Enable multifactor authentication (MFA) to protect against compromised user passwords.
- Ensure passwords are of appropriate length and complexity.
- Revoke credentials for departing employees.
- Require unique and separate credentials for similar services and asset access on IT and operational technology networks, such that users do not (or cannot) reuse passwords for work accounts, applications, services, etc.
- Apply Zero Trust principles to limit the impact of an attack on an organization, including:
  - Explicitly verify users and devices before allowing access to resources.
  - Only allow the access privilege that is needed for a resource and no more.
  - Assume system defenses have been breached and systems may be compromised, and constantly monitor the environment for possible attack.

#### • Hardware, software, networks, and data:

- Ensure effective encryption to maintain confidentiality of sensitive data and integrity of IT and operational technology traffic.
- Keep systems up to date, including firmware, the operating system, and applications.
- Protect data by identifying important data, its location, and whether the right defenses are implemented.
- Organizations should disable HTML from being used in emails and scan email attachments.
- Implement a system-enforced policy that disables Microsoft Office macros, or similar embedded code, by default on all devices.
- Implement an administrative policy or automated process that requires administrative approval before new hardware, firmware, or software/software version is installed or deployed.
- All systems that are necessary for operations are regularly backed up, and backups are stored separately from the source systems.
- Collect and store access- and security-focused logs (e.g., intrusion detection systems/intrusion prevention systems, firewall, data loss prevention, virtual private network) for use in both detection and incident response activities (e.g., forensics).

- Store logs in a central system that can only be accessed or modified by authorized and authenticated users.
- Maintain policies and processes to ensure that unauthorized media and hardware are not connected to IT and operational technology assets, such as by limiting use of USB devices and removable media or disabling AutoRun.
- If you use Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP), or other potentially risky services, secure and monitor them closely.

### Detection and response:

- Install and regularly update antivirus and antimalware software on all hosts.
- Use extended detection and response (XDR) and antimalware to detect and automatically block attacks and provide insights to the security operations software.
- Create, maintain, and exercise a basic cyber incident response plan and associated communications plan.

#### • Cryptocurrency-specific:

- Only keep the necessary liquidity in hot wallet(s) and store the remainder of funds in cold/hardware wallets.
- Implement multi-signature permissions on hot wallets along with a timed access/recovery feature.<sup>286</sup>
- Enable MFA for software wallets and transactions as well as logins.
- Validate social media accounts and check username handles for character/number substitutions or other special characters.
- Always check URLs before clicking on a link, and watch redirects after clicking to make sure that the website is an official website, rather than a phishing site. Doublecheck web addresses of official websites.
- Be cautious of contact that induces a sense of urgency to pressure victims into impulse actions and mistakes.
- Consider anti-cryptomining and ad-blocker browser extensions that can detect and block malicious cryptomining.
- Deploy continuous monitoring of network activities; unusual access attempts or patterns can indicate attempted attacks.
- Conduct regular security audits to identify vulnerabilities.

Sources: Cybersecurity companies, Member State, Panel

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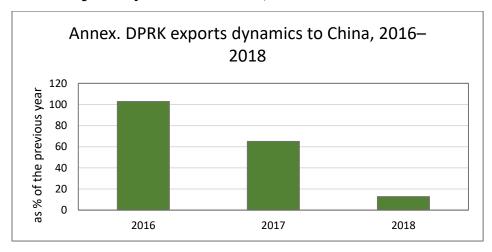
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>286</sup> One cryptocurrency company that was the victim of a suspected DPRK heist in 2023 also recommended multi-signature permissions and a time-lock feature.

Annex 102: DPRK export earnings (registered) 2012–2023. bln USD



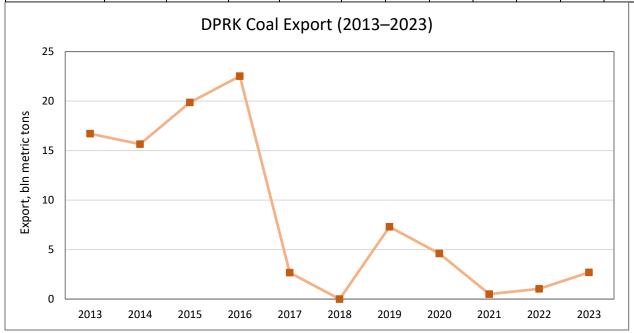
DPRK exports dynamics to China, 2016-2018



Source: ITC Trade Map, Custom statistics of China, the Panel.

**Annex 103: DPRK coal export (2013–2023)** 

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Export, mln metric tons	16706,3	15654,2	19864	22521,5	2671	##	7300	4600	500	1035	2700



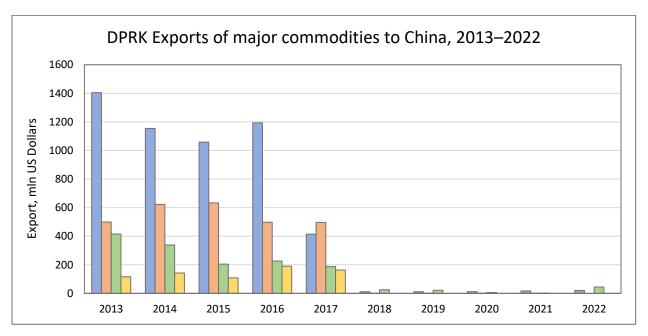
Source. Energy Information Administration - EIA - Official Energy Statistics from the U.S. Government <a href="https://www.eia.gov">https://www.eia.gov</a>

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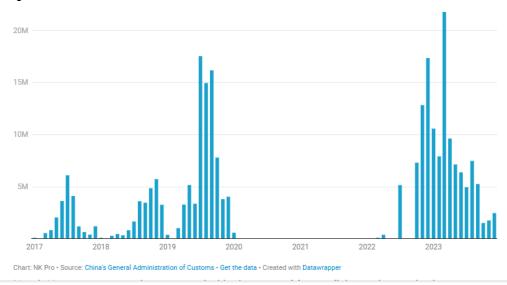
Annex 104: DPRK exports of major commodities to China and imports of Food

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Mineral fuels, mineral oils and products of their distillation; bituminous substances; mineral		1154	1058	1193	414	11	11	12	17	20
Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, not knitted or crocheted		622	633	497	497	0	0	0	0	0
Ores, slag and ash	415	339	205	227	187	25	21	6	1	45
Fish and crustaceans, molluscs and other aquatic invertebrates		143	108	190	163	0	0	0	0	0



*Source*: ITC World Trade Map ( https://www.trademap.org/Index.aspx), Chinese Custom Statistics( http://stats.customs.gov.cn/indexEn), The Panel.

# Imports of rice from China



Source: NK News

# Annex 105: Estimates of DPRK energy supply

# North Korean Annual Electricity Supply

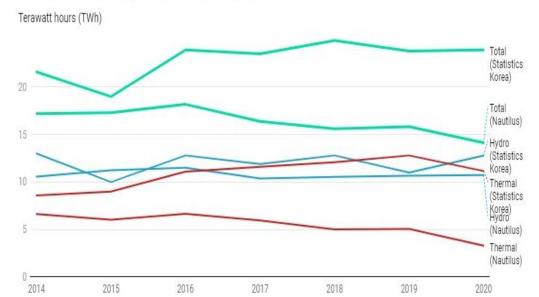


Figure 3. North Korean energy supply estimates from Statistics Korea and Nautilus Institute.

Chart: Martyn Williams / 38 North • Source: Statistics Korea and Nautilus Institute • Embed • Created with Datawrapper

Source: https://www.38north.org/2023/03/north-koreas-energy-sector-defining-the-landscape/

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# Annex 106<sup>287</sup>: Excerpts from 2023 Report on North Korean Human Rights Republic of Korea, Ministry of Unification, pp. 340-345

# D. Impact of Sanctions

In response to North Korea's July 4 and July 28, 2017 ballistic missile launches, the United Nations adopted Resolution 2371 on August 5, 2017, which imposed stricter economic sanctions on North Korea. The resolution's restrictions and prohibitions on economic cooperation had a significant impact on the establishment and operation of North Korea-China joint ventures. In the border regions of North Hamgyong and Ryanggang Provinces, a number of North Korean-Chinese joint ventures had been established and were operating; they paid their workers on time.

According to Resolution 2371, member states shall prohibit, by their nationals or in their territories, the opening of new joint ventures or cooperative entities with North Korean entities or individuals, or the expansion of existing joint ventures through additional investments, unlike North Korean-run enterprises. Nevertheless, there are reports of a rise in the number of joint ventures who were shut as a result of successive sanctions. For instance, a hotel in the city of Rason operated by a joint venture primarily relied on Chinese tourists. But after the sanctions, few Chinese tourists visited, making it difficult to pay employee wages. Moreover, a mining company in North Hamgyong Province that was operated as a joint venture with China reportedly experienced difficulties with wages and company rations following the imposition of sanctions.

Additionally, the restrictions on crude oil imports appear to have had an impact. In certain instances, mines, including coal mines, were closed due to fuel and electricity shortages.

Furthermore, it became difficult to import refined oil from China via small-scale smuggling. Consequently, residents who rely on motorcycles for transportation were affected. Multiple reports from North Koreans showed that around the same time, trading companies in the border region closed operations and the local economy deteriorated.

In the border region between North Korea and China, significant portion of the local population engaged in small-scale smuggling with China. However, the economic activities of the local populations were negatively

 $(https://www.unikorea.go.kr/eng\_unikorea/news/releases/?boardId=bbs\_000000000000000034\&mode=view\&cntId=54278\&category=\&pageIdx=)$ 

The Ministry of Unification is publishing the 2023 North Korean Human Rights Report to inform the public the overall human rights situation in North Korea. The report is significant as it is the first report published by the ROK Government in accordance with the North Korean Human Rights Act, enacted through bipartisan cooperation in 2016. The report demonstrates the Government's determination to make further efforts to substantially improve North Korean human rights. To reveal the recent reality of North Korean human rights, the report was written based on the testimonies of North Korean defectors. The recent North Korean human rights situations that occurred from 2017 to 2022 were documented in a balanced and objective way, while concentrating on actual cases adhering to human rights as stipulated in the International Covenant. Centered on the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights(ICESCR), women, children, and persons with disabilities are designated vulnerable groups.

affected by the tightening sanctions against North Korea, the installation of barbed wire along the border by North Korean authorities, and the enforcement of anti-smuggling measures. Defector testimony shows that to compensate for the decline in economic activity, the outsourcing industry for bond processing became more active.

The primary outsourced products were small-scale items such as summer hats, bags, wigs, and accessories. Further, reports indicate that People's Committees took the initiative, obtained permits, and operated these businesses.

Around 2014, eyelashes were the principal products of outsourcing industry in the border region. Workers were paid in Chinese Yuan based on the quantity of finished goods. After 2017, however, the form of payment was converted from cash to rice. 2.2kg of rice was paid for a summer straw hat with a brim length of 10cm, deducting 200g for each additional 1cm it fell short. Other testimony indicated that 1.5kg to 3kg of rice were paid per piece, depending on the tightness of the brim in 2019. Outsourced manufacturing also recently expanded from border regions to inland provinces, including South Pyongan and Hwanghae Provinces.

The decline in cross-border trade has also affected prices, leading to volatility. The price of fish and herbal medicines dropped because they were subject to export bans. The price of manufactured products, such as necessities and Chinese imports, rose considerably. In 2017, there was a sharp increase in the cost of food and essential necessities in Pyongyang, which locals attributed to sanctions, and they simultaneously experienced significant fluctuations in the currency exchange rate as well.

Other testimony indicated difficulty purchasing necessities due to the increased prices of Chinese imports in border regions. In 2018, after state-owned mining enterprises ceased operations in North Hamgyong Province, prices increased, making workers' lives extremely challenging. The ports of Nampo and Songlim, which were once active in trade with China, experienced a significant decrease in trade volumes.

"In the fall of 2018, the Musan Mine had to close down because there wasn't enough electricity or fuel. I don't know exactly when it was shut down, but it wasn't working when I left. So, the miners' food was cut off, and life got harder for them. Some of them made a living by using wooden boats to catch squid, or picking mushrooms in the

mountains. Also, because the sanctions stopped trade, the price of goods went up a lot. The cost of living increased, and many trading companies went out of business. Overall, Musan County became a hard place to live."

Source: https://www.unikorea.go.kr/eng\_unikorea/news/Publications/ronkhr/

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# Annex 107: Questionnaire for humanitarian organizations that have worked in the DPRK

For this reporting period, the Panel again asked questions addressing the impact of COVID-19 and the closed borders on organizational operations, as well as each group's estimate of when they expect to resume operations in DPRK.

- 1) What is your assessment of the cumulative effect of UN sanctions on the humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK since 2018, and in particular in 2023? What sources of data and information do you draw from as the basis for this assessment?
- 2) What is your assessment of the overall consequences of COVID-19- related border closure and ongoing partial closure of the borders of the DPRK on the overall humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK? If possible, please include information or examples that support your assessment.
- 3) What has been the scope of your organization's operations in the DPRK since its borders were closed in early 2020, and in particular in 2023? Were you able to continue some humanitarian operations with local staff? What problems, if any, have you encountered? When, if at all, do you expect to be able to resume your operations in the DPRK? How do you see the future prospects of access to and within the DPRK? How are these prospects related to COVID factors, and what other factors are at play?
- 4) Please provide any detailed information about how the implementation of UN sanctions may have impacted your organization's humanitarian response in the DPRK, in particular in 2023.
- 5) If your operations require humanitarian exemption approvals from the 1718 Committee, has the approval process met your needs, in particular in 2023? What could be further improved in the exemption process or the sanctions regime itself that would better meet your operational needs and objectives in addressing the humanitarian problems of the DPRK?
- 6) The recommendations of the Panel of Experts in its latest Midterm Report (see https://undocs.org/en/S/2023/656, para.162 (b)) include a suggestion that "... relevant stakeholders practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies". Do you have any ideas or suggestions as to how this measure can be implemented, and what is your assessment of the possible effects of such a mechanism?
- 7) UN Security Council resolution 2664 (2022) "directs these Committees, assisted by their respective panels of experts, to monitor the implementation of paragraph 1 of this resolution, including any risk of diversion", paragraph 1 of the same resolution having created an exception to the asset freeze imposed by paragraph 8(d) of resolution 1718 (2006) and subsequent resolutions, to permit "the provision, processing or payment of funds, other financial assets, or economic resources, or the provision of goods and services necessary to ensure the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance or to support other activities that support basic human needs". Are you aware of any such cases?
- 8) Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7 "Guidelines for Obtaining Exemptions to Deliver Humanitarian Assistance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea" of the 1718 Committee (DPRK Sanctions) (IAN 7) recommends inclusion of measures to ensure that assistance to be provided to the DPRK are used as intended purposes and not diverted for prohibited purposes in humanitarian exemption requests submitted to the Committee. The Panel would welcome any available information about possible diversion, as background to its work.
- 9) Are there other issues, needs, or organizational viewpoints regarding the impact of UN sanctions on your work in the DPRK, especially within the past year, that you want to share with the Panel?

# Annex 108: Responses from humanitarian organizations

The Panel has redacted humanitarian organizations' identities and other phrases which might jeopardize the safety of the relevant organizations and in a few cases on other grounds. The Panel takes no position on the responses provided by these organizations.

#### Organization 1

1) What is your assessment of the cumulative effect of UN sanctions on the humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK since 2018, and in particular in 2023? What sources of data and information do you draw from as the basis for this assessment?

The condition in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) is a protracted humanitarian situation characterized by chronic food insecurity and a lack of access to lifesaving essential services, including quality healthcare, with profound effects on the most vulnerable people. The 2023 Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) estimated that 11.3 million people (over 4 out of 10 persons) need humanitarian assistance. Humanitarian operations in the DPRK therefore are a critical lifeline for millions of people. In addition, the country remains highly vulnerable to natural disasters including cyclones, floods, and drought, further exacerbating humanitarian needs amongst the most vulnerable. However, the effects of the UN sanctions have limited the scope and depth of the humanitarian response by the UN and other INGOs in the country. These effects manifest more in the areas of reduced access to donor funds, inability to transfer funds into the country (due to sanctions on banking channels) and restrictions on the importation of certain medical items/equipment into the country due to their inclusion in the sanctions list of prohibited items. Moreover, some manufacturers in Europe have recently refused to produce lifesaving medicines specifically for importation into the DPRK.

a. Lack of cash flow in the country (Donor funding and Cash transfer into the country)

Mobilization of funds has been difficult in the sanctions environment owing to the concern about inadvertently violating the sanctions imposed by the United Nations Security Council. On average, [Organization 1] requires about USD [number] million each year for its humanitarian interventions. In the past year, less than 50% of this funding was secured, resulting in reduced support for the provision of lifesaving humanitarian interventions in the country. In the same vein, it is almost impossible for UN Agencies and/or INGOs to transfer funds into the DPRK because of sanctions on international banking. UN Agencies in DPRK have stopped paying the salaries of their national personnel and meeting their rent liabilities due to the cash shortage in DPRK.

# b. Restriction on Procurement/Supply of equipment

The UN Sanctions Committee's guidelines require that single and dual/multiple-use items containing metal components be approved for exemption by the Sanctions Committee. [Organization 1] has been diligently following the directives of the Sanctions Committee. The process of seeking clearances from the 1718 Committee for these items has resulted in delays or cancellation of procurement over the years. Prior to the implementation of sanctions on DPRK, [Organization 1] supported the strengthening of DPRK health facilities.. [Organization 1] has not been able to replenish items for these facilities, resulting in deterioration in service provision, which is having a negative impact on the health of the population in DPRK.

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Furthermore, UN humanitarian programming requires a strong humanitarian needs overview. For this, generation of evidence-based data is indispensable, and this process requires the use of IT equipment to aid data capturing and analysis. In 2019, [Organization 1] was unable to implement its data-related programme due to the extended time required for obtaining exemptions of the procurement of IT equipment from the 1718 Committee and the U.S. Treasury Department for U.S. patented items (IT equipment), which was beyond the timeline of the programme. In addition, data-related support was not considered as humanitarian aid but rather as development assistance, which added further complexities for consideration by the Security Council. A ban on imports from many countries, complex licensing requirements, increased scrutiny of supplies passing through customs and logistical complexities also delay the importation and distribution of essential supplies.

2) What is your assessment of the overall consequences of COVID-19-related border closure and ongoing partial closure of the borders of the DPRK on the overall humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK? If possible, please include information or examples that support your assessment.

The COVID-19 pandemic, coupled with the strict preventive measures including border closure and incountry mobility restrictions put in place by the Government of DPRK in January 2020, led to a significant scale down of humanitarian interventions in health, agriculture, nutrition, water, and sanitation in the country. For example, in the health sector, import of critical life-saving commodities and equipment were stuck in China for over a year and a half with UN organizations, including [Organization 1], incurring significant demurrage charges. Earlier in 2023, the country experienced stock-out of all essential life-saving medical supplies. But the situation has eased with the exceptional clearances in late 2022 and resumption of sea and land-freight services and relaxation of the quarantine and disinfection rules in early 2023. Even bi-lateral trade has resumed and as per media reporting the imports were dominated by medicines and food (https://www.eastasiaforum.org/2023/02/08/a-glimmer-of-hope-for-north-korea-in-2023/).

The border closure that prevented international humanitarian workers, including UN staff, from entering the country has had a direct negative impact on the ability to mobilize funds for humanitarian interventions because of the reluctance of donors to commit funding to programmes in the absence of international personnel in the country. In the case of [Organization 1], humanitarian interventions continued using internal resources although they were insufficient to respond to the significant humanitarian needs, worsened by the COVID-19 pandemic.

3) What has been the scope of your organization's operations in the DPRK since its borders were closed in early 2020, and in particular in 2023? Were you able to continue some humanitarian operations with local staff? What problems, if any, have you encountered? When, if at all, do you expect to be able to resume your operations in the DPRK? How do you see the future prospects of access to and within the DPRK? How are these prospects related to COVID factors, and what other factors are at play?

COVID-19 related restrictions and the closure of the international borders have hampered humanitarian operations on the ground. The scope of the [Organization 1] programme has been limited to humanitarian interventions that could be implemented with minimal international presence, albeit with the adoption of some mitigation measures to reduce programme risks, including additional Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) to streamline processes in the absence of international personnel and more monitoring visits with increased supporting documentation (including pictorial evidence by programme staff), among other measures. In 2022, [Organization 1] was also able to clear its humanitarian supplies that were stuck in [a third country] port for over 1.5 years because of the closure. In 2023, with the appropriate mobilization of our national personnel and adoption of some mitigation measures, we have been able to implement interventions focused on the procurement and distribution of life-saving commodities and medicines;

trainings of health personnel on key humanitarian interventions in areas within our mandate; and the printing and distribution of prior developed guidance documents and manuals that health workers need to continue to provide quality life-saving services .

All of the above actions were taken in response to the Government's request for support and our estimation of the absolute stock-out of lifesaving commodities and medicines related to our mandate in the country in the early part of the year. Other major activities have been put on hold until the border is re-opened to international UN personnel. We anticipate a high possibility of the borders being opened to the international humanitarian community, including the UN, from the first quarter of 2024. This expectation follows the Government's release of the final anti-epidemic measures on 4 December 2023. We do not know of any other factors that could delay the entry of international UN staff and personnel into the country at this time. In summary, [Organization 1] continues to be on standby for a possible re-entry of its international staff into the country to continue to provide needed services in our mandate areas to the most vulnerable.

4) Please provide any detailed information about how the implementation of UN sanctions may have impacted your organization's humanitarian response in the DPRK, in particular in 2023.

Due to the uncertain environment for importation of lifesaving goods and commodities in early 2023, [Organization 1] limited itself to the procurement of items not subjected to the UN sanctions to reduce overall transaction time. However, at least one manufacturer of lifesaving medicines in a European country refused procurement orders for shipment of medicines to DPRK citing the UN Security Council sanctions. There is a perception that the UN Security Council sanctions often lead to delays in the procurement process as even some freight forwarders refuse to take up related shipment contracts due to additional paperwork required to move goods into the DPRK. And those who accept the offers often charge higher freight costs for the shipments adding to the overall transaction costs for humanitarian service provision.

5) If your operations require humanitarian exemption approvals from the 1718 Committee, has the approval process met your needs, in particular in 2023? What could be further improved in the exemption process or the sanctions regime itself that would better meet your operational needs and objectives in addressing the humanitarian problems of the DPRK?

[Organization 1] appreciates the 1718 Committee for reducing the turnaround time for exemption approvals, for increasing the validity period of those exemptions and for providing flexibility in considering cases on an individual basis. To facilitate and strengthen the presence of UN organizations on the ground, it is nevertheless imperative to establish a viable banking channel for funds to be transferred into DPRK to enable the UN agencies to implement their respective programmes and respond to emerging humanitarian needs. Since early 2021, most UN organizations operating in Pyongyang have had to stop paying the salaries of national secondees, fuel costs and other office expenses due to the dearth of cash in the country. This has led to the accrual of significant debt locally. It would be helpful if the Sanctions Committee would help with an exception that supports the movement of funds into the DPRK to clear this backlog of debt owed to the national personnel and clear outstanding office rents and utilities.

In addition to the banking channel, UN organizations are required to go through the Sanctions Committee for exemption for items that have metal components, as there is a clause related to single/multiple use. Most of the health-related procurements have metal components and are classified as multiple use. Consideration for the waiver or a blanket approval, for example, for approved standardized medical kits that have been previously cleared by the inter-agency task force at UN HQs would provide more flexibility for response to humanitarian needs in the shortest possible time.

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6) The recommendations of the Panel of Experts in its latest Midterm Report (see https://undocs.org/en/S/2023/656, para.162 (b)) include a suggestion that "... relevant stakeholders practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies". Do you have any ideas or suggestions as to how this measure can be implemented, and what is your assessment of the possible effects of such a mechanism?

Since the commencement of the new sanctions, the UN and other related agencies have limited support to relatively 'soft' forms of support compared to previous years. Prior to the strengthened sanctions, the UN had focused on ensuring strengthened health systems. [...]

Government investments in improving the health infrastructure, upgrading equipment and other necessities have been limited thus far and we believe the recommendation made in 162 (b) is positive and may empower the government in mobilizing its own resources to prioritize and address the pressing humanitarian and development needs facing the population.

Implementing this provision would require engagement with the Government and their willingness to follow-through. There needs to be clarity on how the entire process will be executed from the start to the end, which may require developing a road map and a MOU with the National Coordination Committee (NCC) of the DPRK MOFA on the terms and conditions that would guide the process. It is not often very easy for external parties to engage in such processes in DPRK so the RC may be designated to lead the discussion in-country with support from other UN Heads of Office — in the country. The actual process may also be fashioned like the current process that UN agencies go through to get approval for imports supported by a strong system of oversight and monitoring.

7) UN Security Council resolution 2664 (2022) "directs these Committees, assisted by their respective panels of experts, to monitor the implementation of paragraph 1 of this resolution, including any risk of diversion", paragraph 1 of the same resolution having created an exception to the asset freeze imposed by paragraph 8(d) of resolution 1718 (2006) and subsequent resolutions, to permit "the provision, processing or payment of funds, other financial assets, or economic resources, or the provision of goods and services necessary to ensure the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance or to support other activities that support basic human needs". Are you aware of any such cases?

[Organization 1] is not aware of such cases being reported since the introduction of the resolution 266 4. Though it was discussed and briefed by OCHA in the UNCT, there is a need for the implication of the resolution 2664 to be well articulated and itemized so all stakeholders fully understand the opportunities it is providing to support humanitarian interventions. We do not believe this is the case currently.

8) Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7 "Guidelines for Obtaining Exemptions to Deliver Humanitarian Assistance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea" of the 1718 Committee (DPRK Sanctions) (IAN 7) recommends inclusion of measures to ensure that assistance to be provided to the DPRK are used as intended purposes and not diverted for prohibited purposes in humanitarian exemption requests submitted to the Committee. The Panel would welcome any available information about possible diversion, as background to its work.

[Organization 1] is not aware of any diversion for other uses of items procured through [Organization 1] or any other Agency.

8) Are there other issues, needs, or organizational viewpoints regarding the impact of UN sanctions on your work in the DPRK, especially within the past year, that you want to share with the Panel?

Sensitization of donors on the wider context of humanitarian-development complementarity and its implications on the population and human development from a right-based perspective will be necessary so that donors are encouraged to support humanitarian initiatives that could lead to synergies that promote sustainable wellbeing of the people, especially the most vulnerable and hard to reach. In addition, the UN's efforts to strengthen data systems carry significant importance in identifying and understanding the humanitarian needs in the DPRK. Strengthening the data systems is crucial for effectively informing and shaping targeted strategies and interventions aimed at addressing the pressing needs of the population in the country. [Organization 1] would appreciate it if the Sanctions Committee could take this into consideration when reviewing applications for exemption approvals.

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# Organization 2

1) What is your assessment of the cumulative effect of UN sanctions on the humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK since 2018, and in particular in 2023? What sources of data and information do you draw from as the basis for this assessment?

The sanctions and closure of borders have challenged and, in some cases, limited the work of [Organisation 2] and other UN Agencies and humanitarian organizations. The nonexistence of international banking channels has further led to acute liquidity crunch and severely constrained the critical in-country activities. Concomitantly, with limited in-country funds, [Organisation 2]'s focus remained in supporting and responding to humanitarian crisis and emergencies, such as those caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, floods and typhoons, etc. Resultantly, there is dearth of resources needed to develop strategies enabling prevention and mitigation of shocks and emergencies, as demonstrated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

For instance, procurement got delayed due to the closure of borders and ultimately some items could not be procured.

These challenges further cascaded when some supplies and equipment got stranded at the [neighboring country] borders and not allowed to enter the country, thus incurring huge storage/demurrage/cold chain charges.

In 2023 due to the sanctions and national restrictions at borders, there were limitation in procurement of items and such procurement was limited to items which do not require sanction clearance.

The source of information is from the list of items that have been delivered to the country.

2) What is your assessment of the overall consequences of COVID-19- related border closure and ongoing partial closure of the borders of the DPRK on the overall humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK? If possible, please include information or examples that support your assessment.

[See also response under 1) above]

In January 2020 the Government of DPRK closed its international borders (air, sea, and land) in an attempt to prevent the entry of the novel coronavirus into the country when WHO declared the COVID- 19 outbreak to be a pandemic. Currently, the borders are open although the movement of people is restricted to DPRK nationals and diplomats from few countries. Supply of goods via all routes (sea, rail, land and air) has resumed but still require advance approvals and greenlight. All quarantine requirements, including for people and goods have been lifted with the exception of people with symptoms of respiratory infection. This is a positive step and an indication that the country may be moving towards opening of the border to international personnel.

The strict restrictions on cross-border movement have a profound negative impact on the flow of supplies, which the DPRK population heavily relied on to supplement the government initiatives to meet needs of its vulnerable population.

To reiterate, several shipments of essential and critical equipment that [Organisation 2] procured, most of which were approved by the UN Sanctions Committee were held up at different locations incurring large expenses on storage charges and customs demurrage. Several shipments expired while being held up, costing more money to dispose such shipments. Some shipments had to be re-routed to other countries, causing an additional financial burden for [Organisation 2].

DPRK has been subject to a range of international sanctions imposed by various countries and international organizations. These sanctions have had several operational implications, Some key operational implications are:

Challenges stemming from sanctions:

Economic Isolation: DPR Korea's economy has been heavily impacted by sanctions. These measures restrict trade, foreign investment, and access to international financial institutions, leading to economic isolation.

Humanitarian Concerns: Sanctions can inadvertently affect the humanitarian situation in DPR Korea by limiting the flow of essential goods like food and medicine. There are concerns that these sanctions could harm ordinary citizens.

One of the major challenges in [Organisation 2]'s work in DPRK has been the absence of a viable banking channel to transfer much needed funds for in-country operations and programmatic implementation. This has a significant negative impact on [Organisation 2]activities, and a quick and efficient solution is required to be found. This also negatively impact international staff to meet their daily subsistence expenses like accommodation, food, and other personal expenses.

Diplomatic Standoff: Sanctions have been a point of contention between DPR Korea and the international community, leading to a diplomatic standoff and hampering efforts to engage in dialogue and negotiations.

3) What has been the scope of your organization's operations in the DPRK since its borders were closed in early 2020, and in particular in 2023? Were you able to continue some humanitarian operations with local staff? What problems, if any, have you encountered? When, if at all, do you expect to be able to resume your operations in the DPRK? How do you see the future prospects of access to and within the DPRK? How are these prospects related to COVID factors, and what other factors are at play?

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In the absence of any international staff present in the country for about three years, operations were remotely managed. There is a presence of national seconded staff, who remained distantly driven. The implementation of technical activities however, got severely impacted.

There were certain difficulties encountered as during the year 2021 and early 2022 the borders and ports were closed due to pandemic which impacted in delivering supplies to the country. Also due to the sanctions imposed on certain items, the procurements are delayed.

The preparation of the required documentation for the UN Sanctions Committee is lengthy and requires several levels of consultations.

As of now, there is no concrete information from the Government on the boarder reopening for internationals. However, with WHO's declaration of COVID-19 no longer a public health emergency of international concern, it is anticipated that the Government may consider completely opening its borders in the near future. With this assumption, the UN Agencies have already started working on a return plan. If all goes well and the physical presence of international staff is allowed, the normal operations will be resumed.

4) Please provide any detailed information about how the implementation of UN sanctions may have impacted your organization's humanitarian response in the DPRK, in particular in 2023.

With the decision of the Government to limit the presence of international staff, primarily due to the limitation of in-country operations as a result of the lack of an international banking channel, the capacity of [Organisation 2] was markedly reduced even before the pandemic.

Limited capacity due to suboptimal staff presence led to challenges in providing the initial emergency support to the country. This got further aggravated when all international staff had to leave the country.

In 2023 the procurement was mostly done for consumables and equipment which did not require sanction clearance.

5) If your operations require humanitarian exemption approvals from the 1718 Committee, has the approval process met your needs, in particular in 2023? What could be further improved in the exemption process or the sanctions regime itself that would better meet your operational needs and objectives in addressing the humanitarian problems of the DPRK?

[Organisation 2] has been able to obtain humanitarian exemption approvals from the 1718 committee in the past as required, generally on a fast-track process, whenever required. [Organisation 2] also appreciate the fact that the exemptions may now be provided for a period longer than 6 months (i.e., up to 18 months) for instance when the applicant provides a well-founded justification such as transportation delays. This development is very helpful and welcome. Thanks to the quick approval process used during the pandemic,

[Organisation 2] requests to procure emergency supplies were approved within 4 days, which is a positive example of the UN Sanctions Committees flexibility and understanding of the severity of the situation.

6) The recommendations of the Panel of Experts in its latest Midterm Report (see <a href="https://undocs.org/en/S/2023/656">https://undocs.org/en/S/2023/656</a>, para.162 (b)) include a suggestion that "... relevant stakeholders practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies". Do you have any ideas or suggestions as to how this measure can be implemented, and what is your assessment of the possible effects of such a mechanism?

The Panel's recommendation is a welcome move if considered. It would be good to know the selected exports under sanctions that will be considered for exemption. without which it will be difficult to comment or suggest how the proceeds for financing humanitarian supplies will be utilized.

7) UN Security Council resolution <u>2664 (2022)</u> "directs these Committees, assisted by their respective panels of experts, to monitor the implementation of paragraph 1 of this resolution, including any risk of diversion", paragraph 1 of the same resolution having created an exception to the asset freeze imposed by paragraph 8(d) of resolution 1718 (2006) and subsequent resolutions, to permit "the provision, processing or payment of funds, other financial assets, or economic resources, or the provision of goods and services necessary to ensure the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance or to support other activities that support basic human needs". Are you aware of any such cases?

We currently have no knowledge of any such instances.

8) Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7 "Guidelines for Obtaining Exemptions to Deliver Humanitarian Assistance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea" of the 1718 Committee (DPRK Sanctions) (IAN 7) recommends inclusion of measures to ensure that assistance to be provided to the DPRK are used as intended purposes and not diverted for prohibited purposes in humanitarian exemption requests submitted to the Committee. The Panel would welcome any available information about possible diversion, as background to its work.

There is no information available regarding any diversion of the humanitarian support provided by [Organisation 2].

9) Are there other issues, needs, or organizational viewpoints regarding the impact of UN sanctions on your work in the DPRK, especially within the past year, that you want to share with the Panel?

One of the major challenges in [Organisation 2]'s work in DPRK has been the absence of a viable banking channel to transfer much needed funds for in-country operations and programmatic implementation. This has a significant negative impact on [Organisation 2] activities, and a quick and efficient solution is required to be found. This also negatively impact international staff to meet their daily subsistence expenses like accommodation, food, and other personal expenses.

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[Organisation 2] also appreciates the fact that the exemptions may now be provided for a period longer than 6 months (i.e., up to 18 months) for instance when the applicant provides a well-founded justification such as transportation delays. This development is very helpful and welcome.

# Organization 3

1) What is your assessment of the cumulative effect of UN sanctions on the humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK since 2018, and in particular in 2023? What sources of data and information do you draw from as the basis for this assessment?

The lack of access for international personnel to DPRK since 2020 makes it impossible to accurately assess the humanitarian situation inside the country. It has not been possible to undertake any assessments of the humanitarian situation and it would therefore be difficult to assess any impact of sanctions at this time. The continued lack of an adequate banking channel to facilitate local payments results in a need for Government willingness to accrue certain costs for future repayment on behalf of international humanitarian agencies.

2) What is your assessment of the overall consequences of COVID-19- related border closure and ongoing partial closure of the borders of the DPRK on the overall humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK? If possible, please include information or examples that support your assessment.

As noted in the previous answer, the lack of access for international personnel to DPRK since 2020 makes it impossible to accurately assess the humanitarian situation inside the country.

The continued closure of borders for international personnel has created constraints on the ability to effectively provide comprehensive technical assistance, policy-related and strategic guidance or invest in national capacities in a fully effective manner. The ability to fully monitor implementation of humanitarian programmes has also been constrained. Specific concerns are noted in the uninterrupted availability of routine vaccines, although supply chains in this case are more affected by domestic customs regulations applied by the [neighboring country] than by constraints created by the DPRK border closures, and a shortfall in donor resources which has impacted procurement of sufficient critical supplies to treat the full target number of children and women affected by malnutrition.

3) What has been the scope of your organization's operations in the DPRK since its borders were closed in early 2020, and in particular in 2023? Were you able to continue some humanitarian operations with local staff? What problems, if any, have you encountered? When, if at all, do you expect to be able to resume your operations in the DPRK? How do you see the future prospects of access to and within the DPRK? How are these prospects related to COVID factors, and what other factors are at play?

Our organization has maintained a limited level of humanitarian programming despite the border closures, with a focus on provision of essential life-saving supplies in the health, nutrition and water and sanitation sectors. Implementation is overseen by seconded national staff, with technical guidance and management support provided by a small team of international personnel based outside the DPRK. Main challenges have related to independent oversight of implementation, with monitoring and reporting led by national seconded staff and Government technical partners. General easing of restrictions on importation of supplies has improved our ability to provide more systematic and timely humanitarian assistance, with reductions in risk of stockouts of key products especially in the health and nutrition sectors. Our organization is prepared and ready to return to the DPRK upon formal invitation from the Government and anticipates that it can resume full operations within

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two months of such an invitation being received. Timing of such a return will be solely dependent on the willingness of the DPRK Government to extend an invitation to all UN entities to return to the country.

4) Please provide any detailed information about how the implementation of UN sanctions may have impacted your organization's humanitarian response in the DPRK, in particular in 2023.

The provision of life-saving supplies has not been impacted by the implementation of sanctions, however restrictions on financial transfers to the DPRK has created impediments to maintaining sufficient cash liquidity inside the country to cover operational and local programme implementation costs. Our organization has relied on agreements with the host country to provide local currency in return for payment of some of the Government's international financial obligations offshore.

5) If your operations require humanitarian exemption approvals from the 1718 Committee, has the approval process met your needs, in particular in 2023? What could be further improved in the exemption process or the sanctions regime itself that would better meet your operational needs and objectives in addressing the humanitarian problems of the DPRK?

Our organization has experienced no challenges related to the exemption process, which has worked well and been flexible in responding to our organization's requests.

6) The recommendations of the Panel of Experts in its latest Midterm Report (see https://undocs.org/en/S/2023/656, para.162 (b)) include a suggestion that "... relevant stakeholders

practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies". Do you have any ideas or suggestions as to how this measure can be implemented, and what is your assessment of the possible effects of such a mechanism?

Our organization has no view on this issue.

7) UN Security Council resolution 2664 (2022) "directs these Committees, assisted by their respective panels of experts, to monitor the implementation of paragraph 1 of this resolution, including any risk of diversion", paragraph 1 of the same resolution having created an exception to the asset freeze imposed by paragraph 8(d) of resolution 1718 (2006) and subsequent resolutions, to permit "the provision, processing or payment of funds, other financial assets, or economic resources, or the provision of goods and services necessary to ensure the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance or to support other activities that support basic human needs". Are you aware of any such cases?

As noted in a previous answer, our organization has been able to provide a range of essential life-saving humanitarian supplies in the health, nutrition and water and sanitation sectors.

These have included routine vaccines, therapeutic food products and micronutrient supplements, TB and malaria testing, treatment and prevention supplies, equipment for maternal and neonatal facilities, essential medicines, and equipment to strengthen delivery of safe water and sanitation at community level.

8) Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7 "Guidelines for Obtaining Exemptions to Deliver Humanitarian Assistance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea" of the 1718 Committee (DPRK Sanctions) (IAN 7) recommends inclusion of measures to ensure that assistance to be provided to the DPRK are used as intended purposes and not diverted for prohibited purposes in humanitarian exemption requests submitted to the Committee. The Panel would welcome any available information about possible diversion, as background to its work.

Our organization is not aware of any diversion of humanitarian assistance. Our organization works with national partners to obtain regular field monitoring reports, supported by photographic evidence and stock reports, to account for distribution of supplies and triangulates reports with caseload information and other data to apply a limited level of monitoring assurance.

9) Are there other issues, needs, or organizational viewpoints regarding the impact of UN sanctions on your work in the DPRK, especially within the past year, that you want to share with the Panel?

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# Organization 4

1. What is your assessment of the cumulative effect of UN sanctions on the humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK since 2018, and in particular in 2023? What sources of data and information do you draw from as the basis for this assessment?

In the current situation of the country's self-imposed border closure and self-imposed import re-strictions, we deem that the UN sanctions currently do not have a major direct effect on the humanitarian situation. On the other hand, we can assume that the humanitarian impact of the DPRK's continued self-isolation despite the end of the COVID-19 pandemic is severe and threatens to undo some of the progress made in areas such as food security, nutrition and health. However, it has to be noted that any assessment of the impact within the DPRK of the country's border closure is based on assumptions rather than evidence at this point. No foreigner has visited the areas outside Pyongyang since 22 January 2020. Very little reliable information trickles out of the country.

2) What is your assessment of the overall consequences of COVID-19- related border closure and ongoing partial closure of the borders of the DPRK on the overall humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations' operations in the DPRK? If possible, please include information or examples that support your assessment.

The restricted movement of people is a concern especially for those requiring medical treatment, be it for chronic conditions, severe acute malnutrition (children) or tuberculosis. The supply of medical equipment and drugs is another concern. None of the international humanitarian actors that used to support the country's health system has been able to import and distribute any goods since June 2020. The World Food Programme informed that it has exhausted its in-country stocks in March 2021 and will only take up activities when access to the DPRK is granted to its international staff. The strict border closure further affected the livelihood of small traders and industries relying on cross-border trade and imported goods. It is unclear to what extend the rebound of trade activity with [a neighboring country] eased this situation.

3. What has been the scope of your organization's operations in the DPRK since its borders were closed in early 2020, and in particular in 2023? Were you able to continue some humanitarian operations with local staff? What problems, if any, have you encountered? When, if at all, do you expect to be able to resume your operations in the DPRK? How do you see the future prospects of access to and within the DPRK? How are these prospects related to COVID factors, and what other factors are at play?

The COVID-19 pandemic preventive measures taken by the DPRK Government have strongly affected the ability of [Organisaiton 4], the UN system and other international actors to deliver humanitarian goods and assistance.

[Organisaiton 4] had to put its activities in the DPRK on hold (we refer here to our previous responses from [month] 2021 for the detailed timeline). The office in Pyongyang is running with minimal staffing looking after the maintenance of the premises and other assets. The last international humanitarian worker left Pyongyang in March 2021. An independent monitoring of the situation is impossible.

A positive development has been the delivery to DPRK in [month] 2022 of a stock of PPE gear (Personal Protective Equipment) destined for hospitals. It received clearance at the [neighboring country] border, where it was blocked since August 2020. The only activity supported by [Organisaiton 4] in the DPRK is a project on strengthening essential nutrition services, implemented by UNICEF local staff.

The first and main condition to be able to resume humanitarian operations in the DPRK will be the reopening of borders. As long as they are closed and no international staff is allowed to enter into DPRK, the current minimal

activities (maintenance of the premises and other assets) will continue. As for now, there is no signal for any development in that direction or a time horizon for a potential reopening of the border. Without such a signal, it is difficult and too early to assess the level of operations that will take place once they could resume. Their feasibility and the DPRK humanitarian needs at that moment will have to be taken into account.

4. Please provide any detailed information about how the implementation of UN sanctions may have impacted your organization's humanitarian response in the DPRK, in particular in 2023.

As stated above, the strict border closure imposed by DPRK has had more impact on the difficulties to respond to COVID-19 than the UN sanctions. For example, the stock of PPE gear was allowed to enter into the country after waiting for clearance from the DPRK authorities for two years, meaning the humanitarian exemption from the 1718 Committee had to be extended several times.

5. If your operations require humanitarian exemption approvals from the 1718 Committee, has the approval process met your needs, in particular in 2023? What could be further improved in the ex- emption process or the sanctions regime itself that would better meet your operational needs and objectives in addressing the humanitarian problems of the DPRK?

In some cases in the past, the approval process was lengthy and required a lot of information to be collected. However, there has been a significant improvement in the approval process for humanitarian exemptions in the course of the last years. We are satisfied with the procedures, and welcome the 1718 Committee's update of the IAN7 specifying the implementation of Resolution 2664 in the context of the DPRK. We welcome the joint call to work together to sustainably resolve the banking channel. This matter has further increased in urgency, as cash-carry in the current situation is not a feasible option.

6. The recommendations of the Panel of Experts in its latest Midterm Report (see https://undocs.org/en/S/2023/656, para.162 (b)) include a suggestion that "... relevant stakeholders practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies". Do you have any ideas or suggestions as to how this measure can be implemented, and what is your assessment of the possible effects of such a mechanism?

We welcome initiatives aimed at facilitating the provision of humanitarian aid, while attaching the utmost importance to the proper implementation of UN sanctions. At this stage, we do not have specific elements to share regarding the Panel of Experts' recommendation.

7. UN Security Council resolution 2664 (2022) "directs these Committees, assisted by their respective panels of experts, to monitor the implementation of paragraph 1 of this resolution, including any risk of diversion", paragraph 1 of the same resolution having created an exception to the asset freeze imposed by paragraph 8(d) of resolution 1718 (2006) and subsequent resolutions, to permit "the provision, processing or payment of funds, other financial assets, or economic resources, or the provision of goods and services necessary to ensure the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance or to support other activities that support basic human needs". Are you aware of any such cases?

We are not aware of any instance in which the provision, processing or payment of funds, other financial assets or economic resources, or the provision of goods and services necessary to ensure the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance or to support other activities aimed at meeting basic human needs may have been carried out under UN Security Council Resolution 2664. Consequently, we cannot estimate the risks of diversion.

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8. Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7 "Guidelines for Obtaining Exemptions to Deliver Humanitarian Assistance to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea" of the 1718 Committee (DPRK Sanctions) (IAN 7) recommends inclusion of measures to ensure that assistance to be provided to the DPRK are used as intended purposes and not diverted for prohibited purposes in humanitarian exemption requests submitted to the Committee. The Panel would welcome any available information about possible diversion, as background to its work.

We have no information on this subject.

9. Are there other issues, needs, or organizational viewpoints regarding the impact of UN sanctions on your work in the DPRK, especially within the past year, that you want to share with the Panel?

There is room for improvement in the implementation of sanctions as follows:

- (i) establishment of a humanitarian international banking channel, and we refer here to our letter of [month] 2022 on that matter. We need a way to legally bring cash into DPRK to be able to pay local expenses. Without being able to pay our debts, we put at risk our cooperation with local partners.
- (ii) consideration of a "green list" of humanitarian goods for which multi-year exemptions could be granted (for example: water pipes, plastic sheeting for agriculture, personal protective equipment etc.).

#### Organization 5

1) What is your assessment of the cumulative effect of UN sanctions on the humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations operations in the DPRK since 2018, and in particular in 2023? What sources of data and information do you draw from as the basis for this assessment?

We observe no changes.

2) What is your assessment of the overall consequences of COVID-19- related border closure and ongoing partial closure of the borders of the DPRK on the overall humanitarian situation and humanitarian organizations operations in the DPRK? If possible, please include information or examples that support your assessment.

We observe no changes. No updated data is available about new COVID-19 cases.

3) What has been the scope of your organizations operations in the DPRK since its borders were closed in early 2020, and in particular in 2023? Were you able to continue some humanitarian operations with local staff? What problems, if any, have you encountered? When, if at all, do you expect to be able to resume your operations in the DPRK? How do you see the future prospects of access to and within the DPRK? How are these prospects related to COVID factors, and what other factors are at play?

No changes. Still access to information or local exchanges with counterparts are blogged. We don't expect any loosening up of present situation in the near future.

4) Please provide any detailed information about how the implementation of UN sanctions may have impacted your organization s humanitarian response in the DPRK, in particular in 2023.

No changes, main obstacles lies with situation of our counterparts.

5) If your operations require humanitarian exemption approvals from the 1718 Committee, has the approval process met your needs, in particular in 2023? What could be further improved in the exemption process or the sanctions regime itself that would better meet your operational needs and objectives in addressing the humanitarian problems of the DPRK?

No changes. Exemption process nor sanctions are main cause for blockage of humanitarian aid activities.

6) The recommendations of the Panel of Experts in its latest Midterm Report (see https://undocs.orglen/S/2023/656, para.162 (b)) include a suggestion that ... relevant stakeholders practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies11• Do you have any ideas or suggestions as to how this measure can be implemented, and what is your assessment of the possible effects of such a mechanism?

See above reply.

7) UN Security Council resolution 2664 (2022) directs these Committees, assisted by their respective panels of experts, to monitor the implementation of paragraph 1 of this resolution, including any risk of diversion", paragraph 1 of the same resolution having created an exception to the asset freeze imposed by paragraph 8(d) of resolution 1718 (2006) and subsequent resolutions, to permit the provision, processing or payment of funds, other financial assets, or economic resources, or the provision of goods and services necessary to ensure the timely delivery of humanitarian assistance or to support other activities that support basic human needs11 Are you aware of any such cases?

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We follow the principles of transparency in our humanitarian aid approach. Without possibility of a proper needs assessment and monitoring any aids on the ground we are not able to make any further decisions on humanitarian assistance.

8) Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7 Guidelines for Obtaining Exemptions to Deliver Humanitarian Assistance to the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea" of the 1718 Committee (DPRK Sanctions) (IAN 7) recommends inclusion of measures to ensure that assistance to be provided to the DPRK are used as intended purposes and not diverted for prohibited purposes in humanitarian exemption requests submitted to the Committee. The Panel would welcome any available information about possible diversion, as background to its work.

We have experiences in the difficulties with monitoring our assistance in the past. We made clear to our counterparts that without any minimum of access to information and monitoring on the ground we cannot decide on any cooperation.

9) Are there other issues, needs, or organizational viewpoints regarding the impact of UN sanctions on your work in the DPRK, especially within the past year, that you want to share with the Panel?

No further issues.

# Annex 109: National implementation reports

# List of questions enquired by the Panel to 62 Member States

To better understand and assist in facilitating NIR submissions, the Panel would be grateful for your competent authorities' responses to the following:

- 1. What are the reasons for your country's failure to submit NIR as required by UN sanctions resolutions?
- 2. What are the main difficulties and challenges your country encountered in preparing and submitting NIR?
- 3. Have your authorities approached the Secretariat of the Committee or the Panel of Experts requiring assistance in this process?
- 4. If your response is negative to Q3, please respond if your country plans to submit NIRs in the near future, to which the Panel is open to facilitating the necessary assistance for submission.

#### List of 62 Member States

- 1. Afghanistan
- 2. Antigua and Barbuda
- 3. Bahamas
- 4. Bangladesh
- 5. Barbados
- 6. Belize
- 7. Bhutan
- 8. Bolivia
- 9. Cabo Verde10. Cameroon
- 11. Central African Republic
- 12. Chad
- 13. Comoros
- 14. Congo (RP)
- 15. Côte d'Ivoire
- 16. Democratic Republic of the Congo
- 17. Dominica
- 18. Eswatini
- 19. Fiji
- 20. Gabon
- 21. Gambia
- 22. Ghana
- 23. Grenada
- 24. Guinea
- 25. Guinea-Bissau
- 26. Haiti
- 27. Honduras
- 28. Iran
- 29. Jamaica
- 30. Kenya
- 31. Kiribati

- 32. Lesotho
- 33. Liberia
- 34. Libya
- 35. Malawi
- 36. Mali
- 37. Mauritania
- 38. Federated States of Micronesia
- 39. Nauru
- 40. Nicaragua
- 41. Niger
- 42. Palau
- 43. Papua New Guinea
- 44. Saint Kitts and Nevis
- 45. Saint Lucia
- 46. Samoa
- 47. São Tomé and Príncipe
- 48. Seychelles
- 49. Sierra Leone
- 50. Solomon Islands
- 51. Somalia
- 52. South Sudan
- 53. Suriname
- 54. Syrian Arab Republic
- 55. Timor-Leste
- 56. Tonga
- 57. Trinidad and Tobago
- 58. Tuvalu
- 59. United Republic of Tanzania
- 60. Yemen
- 61. Zambia
- 62. Zimbabwe

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# Annex 110: Member States' replies to the Panel's questionnaire

# Email from the Permanent Mission of Kiribati and Kiribati's reply

From: Teburoro Tito <prun@

Sent: Wednesday, 06 December, 2023 5:59 PM
To: DPPA-POE1874 <dppa-poe1874@un.org>
Subject: NIRs from Kiribati on SC Sanctions on DPRK

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#### Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your email regarding the above matter. On behalf of the government of the Republic of Kiribati, I would like to convey the following in response to the questions raised in your email.

- Kiribati does not have the required staff number and expertise to handle all the reporting work that the United Nations requires from all member states.
- 2. Kiribati has not approached the Secretariat of the Committee or the Panel of Experts for assistance in this area.
- 3. The Government is currently implementing its plans to strengthen its Foreign Affairs staffing from early next year to enable the Government through the Ministry of foreign Affairs to meet its reporting obligations especially on Security Council resolutions. As part of this capacity building programme, the government request the Secretariat if it could provide an internship training programme to familiarize the staff responsible for NIR with the work of the Security Council and its reporting requirements.

Best regards.



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# Letter from the Permanent Mission of Barbados and Barbados' reply



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4 January 2024

Acting Coordinator of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1874 (2009) United Nations Headquarters New York, New York 10017

Dear Madam,

Reference is made to your correspondence No. S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.468 dated 6 December 2023 regarding the submission of national implementation reports of the sanctions imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Forwarded for your attention is the response of the Government of Barbados. Should you wish to follow-up on the aforementioned correspondence, kindly contact Melissa Straker-Taylor (email: mtaylor@foreign.gov.bb).

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Melissa Straker-Taylor Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

Enclosure.

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January 2, 2023

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Dear Madam.

#### SUBJECT: National Implementation Reports (NIR) to the Security Council

Reference is made to your correspondence (Reference No.: S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.468), dated 6 December 2023.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade (MFAFT) appreciates the ongoing efforts of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to United Nations (UN) Security Council resolution 1874 (2009) to gather, examine and analyse information regarding the implementation of the measures imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) by Security Council resolutions 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2087 (2013), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016), 2321 (2016), 2356 (2017), 2371 (2017), 2375 (2017) and 2397 (2017), in particular incidents of non-compliance.

The MFAFT takes cognizance of the various UN sanctions resolutions which require Member States to submit national implementation reports (NIR) to the Security Council, and that regrettably, Barbados has not yet submitted any NIR to the Security Council.

In this regard, the MFAFT wishes to submit the following responses as requested within your correspondence:

- "What are the reasons for your country's failure to submit NIR as required by UN sanctions resolutions?"
  - The MFAFT has received correspondence from the Panel of Experts (Ref. No.: S/AC.49/2023/PE/OC.110) dated 15 June 2023, indicating that trade data as reported by the International Trade

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Centre (ITC) Trade Map for the period between October 2022 and March 2023, indicates the DPRK has transferred to Barbados items in the following categories subject to the sectoral sanctions pursuant to resolution 2397 (2017), 2375 (2017) and 2371 (2017): machinery, electrical equipment, textiles, iron and steel products.

- Since this time, Barbados has been investigating the trade data of the importation of these products with a view to responding to the Security Council.
- "What are the main difficulties and challenges your country encountered in preparing and submitting NIR?"
  - The main difficulty and challenge in Barbados preparing and submitting its NIR has been human resource challenges with regards to completing the investigation as outlined above.
- "Have your authorities approached the Secretariat of the Committee or the Panel of Experts requiring assistance in this process?"
  - Barbados has not approached the Secretariat of the Committee or the Panel of Experts requiring assistance in this process.
- "If your response is negative to Q3, please respond if your country plans to submit NIRs in the near future, to which the Panel is open to facilitating the necessary assistance for submission."
  - Barbados wishes to reaffirm its commitment to the multilateral rules based process and as such commits itself to the submission of its NIR in the near future. However, given the difficulties experienced in the completion of this task, the MFAFT wishes to open dialogue with the Panel of Experts in facilitating the necessary assistance for submission.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade thanks you for your consideration and looks forward to your collaboration and support.

for Director, Foreign Trade Division

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# Annex 111: Updated assessment of responses to the Panel's DPRK sanctions implementation questionnaire of November 2022

- 1. A Questionnaire (see annex 92 of the Panel's 2023 final report, S/2023/171) was sent to all UN Member States in November 2022. A reminder was sent on 1 September 2023 to those that had not responded.
- 2. A preliminary assessment was included in the Panel's 2023 final report (S/2023/171, annex 94), based on 23 responses. As of 15 January 2024, the Panel had received responses from the following 52 countries:

Algeria, Australia, Benin, Bolivia, Bulgaria, Canada, Cambodia, Colombia, Czechia, Denmark, Ecuador, Estonia, Germany, Guatemala, Honduras, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kiribati, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, Mauritania, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, Namibia, Pakistan, Palau, Poland, Republic of Korea, South Africa, San Marino, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Switzerland, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Türkiye, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States and Uruguay.

- 3. The Panel will provide further analysis of the responses to the questionnaire in its next Report and encourages additional States to respond.
- 4. In the meantime, lightly edited versions of a number of responses received regarding question 3 (c) of the questionnaire are listed in the table below:

Questionnaire: 3 (c) Has your State found any of the recommendations to member States contained in the Panel's 2022 reports (S/2022/132 and S/2022/668) useful and in what way? Have they been implemented?

[MS1] [Experts] reports regularly highlight the occurrence of sanctions violations by the DPRK, including through ship-to-ship transfers of sanctioned goods (particularly of DPRK imports of refined petroleum and exports of coal) and increasingly sophisticated cyber-attacks from the DPRK targeting financial institutions and cryptocurrency exchanges. We take note of these reports, which are used to inform our policy settings on the DPRK.

[MS2] In relation to the Maritime recommendations for Flag/Ship Registries, we find recommendations useful and pay special note to implement the recommendations regarding vessel identity tampering and AIS manipulation; Single Delivery Voyage protocols; and Statement of Confirmation procedures.

[MS3] In relation to S/2022/668 Panel Report, having regard to the "Finance" section of that report and the related recommendations (i.e. annex 72), it is worth noting that the ... [financial intelligence unit, FIU] is promoting awareness -rising on implementation on Sanctions related to Proliferation financing and on proper implementation of UN Sanctions. ... In relation to VASPs, the national sanctions regime applies to that sector as well.

[MS4] On occasion, ... [State's] Customs ... tried to strengthen inspections of iron and steel (HS code 72) following the Panel's recommendation based on the "Sectoral ban monitoring list," which is included in the Annex of the Panel's report.

However, the problems, such as raw material supply disruptions and delays in customs clearance, occurred since the number of items subject to strict inspection increased exponentially.

Therefore, to secure the efficiency of import and export control while minimizing the impact on the domestic industry, we suggest the Panel narrow down the list using four or more units of HS code.

[MS5] [We] would like to see additional recommendations focused on the role of multilateral organizations and with respect to addressing the DPRK's malicious cyber activity.

[MS6] [State] has found that the recommendations to Member States contained in the Panel's 2022 reports (S/2022/132 and S/2022/668) informative and useful specifically:

- that Member States streamline their export and import control lists, using as supportive material the informal list of prohibited commodities and will underscore to customs authorities the need to use the above-mentioned list to inform trading agents in the jurisdiction for due diligence purposes.
- that Member States consider updating their export control lists to reflect their lists of prohibited luxury goods in a manner consistent with the objectives of Security Council resolutions 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016) and 2321 (2016), but avoiding unnecessary broadening of their scope in order not to restrict the supply of unprohibited goods to the civilian population or have a negative humanitarian impact once trade restarts. [State] has embraced the call of the Panel to continue to monitor borders for vessels designated by UN's Sanctions Regimes and continues to implement the needed regulatory standards and due diligence checks at all levels associated with the operation of ships and transaction of commodities, in particular those conducted in identified waters involving banned or restricted products and services.

[MS7] [T]he Panel's invaluable reporting... help[s] identify key individuals and entities that engage in illicit activity so that the international community is able to provide a robust response by designating confidently. Panel of Expert reports help strengthen the ... evidence base when seeking to designate specific targets. ... Reporting enables the [State] to make better informed decisions based on the evidence shared

[MS8] Risk profiles has been created in the Customs Control Circuit.... Currently there are 73 risk profiles in IMPORT from North Korea. As regards of EXPORT, 16 risk profiles are in force for Country of destination North Korea.

[MS9] The information on the DPRK's activities relating to nuclear and ballistic missile program, as set forth in the 2022 reports of the UN Panel of Experts on the DPRK (S/2022/132 and S/2022/668), as well as the recommendations of the S/2022/132 report on the inclusion in the sanctions lists of the North Korean diplomat in Russia, O Yong Ho, involved in the supply of goods with regard to the DPRK's ballistic missile program, is useful. Therefore, on the basis of the recommendations, the implementation of sanctions in the field of maritime transportation, trade embargo, ban on luxury goods, and procedures for applying sanctions to individuals is being implemented.

[MS10] The Committee's recommendations have been taken into consideration. The national institutions are adequately informed about the sanctions regime and regulatory provisions for its implementation have been adopted. For example:

- \* With regard to the recommendations concerning trade and customs ...The list of products that cannot be imported from DPRK has been duly registered in the system.
- \* The [State's FIU], in the exercise of its responsibility to prevent, detect and eradicate money-laundering, the financing of terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, conducted an intensive training programme for reporting entities in 2022. The [FIU] also has a Money-laundering and Terrorist Financing Prevention System, which includes a tool for searching for matches and has been available for use by reporting entities since March 2022. When new or updated United Nations Security Council resolutions are received, they are entered into the System and reporting entities are notified by email so that they can immediately carry out the necessary review.

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[MS11] The recommendations in the Panel's 2022 reports regarding export and import control lists have been implemented by all EU Member States... by Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 of 30 August 2017 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and repealing Regulation (EC) No 329/2007, as amended. This Regulation has direct effect in all EU Member States.

[State] noted with interest the recommendations regarding humanitarian activities in DPRK, as it has one NGO operating there ....

[MS12] [State] has conducted a Proliferation Risk Assessment in accordance with FATF requirements. The National Risk Assessment in [State] has incorporated several of the recommendations put forth by the Panel of Experts and we are strongly committed towards implementing these recommendations across various authorities, including Customs authorities.

[MS13] Prohibitions under [the State's]... sanctions cover many of the recommendations to Members States included in the Panel's 2022 and earlier reports, such as designation of DPRK individuals and entities and preventing the transfer of prohibited goods to the DPRK.

[State] is increasing outreach efforts with members of the ... public, including through targeted engagements with the financial and legal sectors. [State] also conducts annual stakeholder outreach with [the State's] non-governmental organizations working to provide humanitarian assistance to the DPRK to gather input on the sanctions exemption process related to autonomous sanctions. Further, in our outreach with the ... public, [State] consistently recommends that companies and organizations review the sanctions lists maintained by the UN, in addition to [State]'s sanctions list and that of other countries with autonomous regimes.

Finally, while these sanctions are far reaching, the [State] mitigates unintended consequences of sanctions through legislated exceptions for certain activities. [State] is also looking into ways to enhance support for civil society and other stakeholders, including by providing more information on how to navigate sanctions and apply for permits, notably with respect to humanitarian activities.

# [MS14]

Panel of Experts (Final report) dated I March 2022:

[State] was among those countries where erroneous use of country codes for DPRK and ROK was reported.

It fully supports Recommendation 20 from the consolidated list of recommendations, and as an immediate measure, has removed DPRK from its drop-down list of countries from its computerized goods clearance system.

In pursuance of Recommendation 22 from the consolidated list of recommendations, [State] Customs has been directed to enhance due-diligence for trading agents, who are dealing with commodities in the Korean peninsula.

Panel of Experts (Midterm report) dated 7 September 2022:

In pursuance of Recommendation 15 from the consolidated list of recommendations, [State entity] regularly carries out an outreach plan for all the educational and research institutions as per annual outreach programme. The modules for the outreach include export control provisions, UNSC sanctions regimes, TFS on PF, etc.

Regulations pertaining to Virtual Assets and VASPs are being implemented in [State]. A comprehensive and all-encompassing implementation plan on FATF guidance on virtual assets is being prepared with special emphasis on CPF aspects.

[MS15] The Country finds the recommendation contained in the Panel's reports S/2022/132 and S/2022/668 very useful. Regarding the recommendations connected to finance, the [FIU] is in line with continuous increase of the awareness of all OE's (including VASP's registered in our country as well) for the new challenges, trends and typologies for financing of proliferation of WMD through

organizing workshops, seminars and trainings. In order to improve the capacities of the OE's for recognizing suspicious transactions and activities related to the financing of proliferation during 2022 the [FIU], in cooperation with the OE's, determined a list of "Indicators for the financing of weapons of mass destruction (Proliferation)" with which the OE's are given "red flags" to recognize suspicious transactions and proliferation financing activities and by persons not on the lists and international restrictive measures. In addition, in order to help the subjects to implement the restrictive measures against proliferation of WMD and to help them face the various challenges that they may encounter when fulfilling their obligations from the AML and LRM, the [FIU] prepared "Guidelines for dealing with financial restrictive measures against terrorism and proliferation" and it is published and available on the FIU website.

[MS16] ...recommendations were useful because they include a review of the best practices in the implementation go the DPRK sanctions regime...

[MS17] The recommendations that were of particular relevance in the [State] national context are highlighted below (focusing on the recommendations of the reports S/2022/668 and S/2022/123). Report S/2022/668 Recommendations:

No. 4: The Panel reiterates that flag States should possess the requisite tools available to identify and investigate suspected fraudulent use of the MMSI where it is detected and share the results of their investigation with other maritime authorities, as well as with the Panel.

The [State] authorities regularly detect wrong MMSI numbers. These cases are normally linked to database errors and not to fraudulent use. If a fraudulent use is detected, the maritime authorities of the countries concerned will be informed about the results of the investigation. There have been no known cases with links to DPRK.

No. 15: The Panel recommends Member States advise relevant national actors, including financial institutions, businesses, and VASPs, to adopt appropriate education, training, information sharing, and advisory materials for individuals across all levels of the workforce, from executives to part-time employees.

The [State's National Bank] follows this recommendation: It has issued a (legally not binding) "Guidance on compliance with financial sanctions" which contains best practises to be observed by relevant national actors....

No. 16: The Panel recommends that Member State agencies, as well as financial institutions, businesses, and VASPs devote appropriate attention to increased cyber hygiene by requiring of all crypto users attempting access to a cryptocurrency exchange set a higher de-fault threshold, such as a two-factor authentication of transaction.

This recommendation is implemented via the EU Directive on payment services in the internal market (PSD2), implemented by the [a State Act]. Payment service providers are obliged to apply a two-factor authentication. The EU-Regulation on digital operational resilience for the financial sector (DORA), which applies from 1st January 2025, also obliges VASPs to comply with the IT security requirements.

No. 17: The Panel recommends that any entity suffering a cyber-attack report this to and engage with the proper legal authorities as soon as possible, issue a public announcement of the incident, and engage with agencies relevant to the event including block chain analysis firms, in order to increase the prospects for recovery of some stolen assets.

Payment Service Providers are required to notify cyber incidents under DORA (see answer to No. 16). For all other entities, the notification requirement is based on [a State Act]. From 1st January 2025, the notification requirement for financial service providers as well as VASPs will be based on the DORA-Regulation.

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No. 18: The Panel recommends that Member States consider legislation or establishing directives for cyber companies to enforce "know your customer" protocols and to tighten procedures for VASP registration.

[State] has implemented the FATF travel rule via the Crypto Assets Transfer Regulation. According to [a State Act], VASPs are classified as credit institutions or financial services institutions and are thus obliged entities under [State] AML/CFT rules. They require a license. A financial service that falls fully under the VASP activities is the crypto custody business in accordance with Section 1 (1a) No. 6 KWG.

No. 19: The Panel recommends the Member States strengthen cooperation, facilitate dialogue and enhance information sharing in order to address the growing intelligence and financial threat of cybercrime.

The [State Act] as well as DORA provide for information sharing.

Report S/2022/123 Recommendations:

- No. 1: The Panel recommends the designation of the following individual for his role in and support for the country's prohibited programme:
- Mr. O Yong Ho, currently based in Moscow as a DPRK diplomat, is involved in procuring items connected to DPRK's ballistic missile programme through his support to the UN-designated "Second Academy of Natural Sciences" (SANS) (aka "Academy of National De-fence Science' (ANDS)).
- Mr. O Yong Ho was listed in 2022 under Annex 16 by means of an amending regulation to the EU autonomous DPRK sanctions regime (VO 2017/1509).
- No. 5: The Panel recommends that the IMO urge all flag States to ensure that the requirements for the Continuous Synopsis Record (CSR) are complied with, including, for such information to be updated accordingly on the IMO GISIS website.

While this recommendation is addressed at the IMO, [State] has fully implemented the requirements for the CSR in national law. Sanctions may be imposed on ships not meeting the obligation to keep and make available the original of the Continuous Synopsis Record for inspection.

No. 11: The Panel recommends that financial institutions involved in commodity trading in affected areas expand transaction monitoring programs to incorporate AIS screening for both client and counterparty vessels.

The recommendation is considered to be useful and is addressed through the [State's] "Guidance on compliance with financial sanctions" .... It requires institutions/enterprises to screen all parties discernibly involved in the respective transaction (which may include other entities such as hauliers, ships, manufacturers, banks, investors) against up-to-date sanctions lists.

During on-site inspections conducted by [State's National Bank] in the relevant institutions/enterprises, the inspections team verifies if the institutions/enterprises abide by these rules.

No. 12: The Panel recommends that flag States possess the requisite tools available to identify and investigate suspected fraudulent use of MMSIs where it is detected and share the results of its investigation with other maritime authorities, including with the Panel.

Currently, [a State entity] is responsible for maintaining the database for LRIT. If a request is received by [this State entity], [the State entity] identifies ships fraudulently using a [State] MMSIs via comparing the reported ship's identity and position with the information of the LRIT database.

No. 27: The Panel underlines the urgency of concrete measures for re-establishing the banking channel.

Article 21 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 generally prohibits the transfer of funds, including clearing of funds, to and from the DPRK. However, there are various exemptions for transfers of international organizations enjoying immunity in DPRK in accordance with international law, e.g. for the transfer

of funds not exceeding a certain limit for humanitarian aid (foodstuffs, healthcare or medical equipment or for agricultural purposes), and remittances not exceeding a certain level.

These transactions are subject to enhanced due diligence measures under [State] AML/CFT-rules due to the FATF designation as a high-risk jurisdiction.

4. The Panel is grateful to those Member States which have provided responses to the 2022 questionnaire and encourages other States to do so. The Panel requires more data in order to conduct a meaningful assessment of the global state of implementation.

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#### Annex 112: Consolidated list of recommendations

# **Ballistic Missiles**

- 1. The Panel recommends updating the designation of NADA (KPe.029) to reflect its new name: the National Aerospace Technology Administration (NATA).
- 2. The Panel recommends the designation, in accordance with paragraph 27 of resolution 2094 (2013) and paragraph 43 of resolution 2270 (2016), of the DPRK's Missile General Bureau.
- 3. The Panel recommends that Member States pursue their investigations of Choe Chol Min's and Choe Un Jong's activities and, if warranted, implement the provisions of paragraphs 13 and 14 of UNSCR 2270(2016), as applicable.
- 4. The Panel encourages Member States to redouble their efforts in preventing the supply of prohibited items to the DPRK and take into consideration the above Chart 1 when monitoring transactions that could fall under the catch-all provision of paragraph 27 of UNSCR 2270 (2016).

# **Trade Statistics and Customs Issues**

- 5. The Panel emphasizes its previous recommendations that:
- (a) Appropriate measures be taken by the International Organization for Standardization and Member States, including outreach activities to respective customs authorities, to prevent erroneous usage of country codes.
- (b) Member States streamline their export and import control lists, using as supportive material the informal list of prohibited commodities (see Annex 38).
- (c) Customs authorities of Member States use the above-mentioned list to inform trading agents in their jurisdictions for due diligence purposes, in particular when dealing with such commodities in the vicinity of sanctioned jurisdictions.
- (d) With regards to the Member States requiring assistance with understanding and implementation of the sectoral ban, the Committee consider information outreach.

# Implementation of Luxury Goods Ban

6. The Panel, taking into account the recently increased transhipments of luxury goods to DPRK via third countries, recommends that Member States should urge entities involved in exporting luxury and brand goods to increase vigilance when arranging shipments to the region and via entrepôt zones.

- 7. The Panel recommends that Member States encourage exporters of luxury goods to include a contractual provision to prohibit forwarding of goods to the DPRK.
- 8. The Panel reiterates its recommendation that Member States consider updating their export control lists to reflect their lists of prohibited luxury goods in a manner consistent with the objectives of Security Council resolutions 1718 (2006), 1874 (2009), 2094 (2013), 2270 (2016) and 2321 (2016), avoiding unnecessary broadening of their scope in order not to restrict the supply of unprohibited goods to the civilian population or have a negative humanitarian impact.

# **Overseas Workers**

- The Panel recommends that Member States continue to exercise vigilance in checking the management and ownership of the companies employing DPRK nationals and possible obfuscation efforts.
- 10. The Panel recommends that Member States have appropriate immigration controls in place, in particular to ensure that DPRK students and tourists do not earn income and do not exceed their authorized duration of stay, in line with UNSC resolutions.
- 11. The Panel recommends that, as the DPRK further opens its borders, Member States ensure implementation of relevant resolutions concerning DPRK nationals earning income.

#### **Finance**

12. The Panel recommends that the Committee consider the designation of:

Nam Chol Ung,

Lazarus Group, Andariel, BlueNoroff, ScarCruft, and Kimsuky

- 13. The Panel reiterates its recommendations that Member States implement as soon as possible the Financial Action Task Force guidance on virtual assets and virtual asset service providers.
- 14. The Panel encourages Member States, businesses, and private individuals to devote appropriate attention to increased cyberhygiene, including effective cybersecurity practices compiled in annex 101 in order to counter DPRK's circumvention of Security Council resolutions via cyber activities.
- 15. The Panel recommends private sector entities review information released by Member States and cybersecurity companies regarding DPRK-linked virtual currency addresses and be vigilant in guarding against transactions directly with, or derived from, those addresses.

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- 16. The Panel recommends that Member States consider establishing systems for reporting and sharing DPRK-related cyber threat information with the cryptocurrency industry and private sector.
- 17. The Panel recommends that all cryptocurrency platforms and protocols including decentralized and centralized exchanges, bridges, instant exchange services, mixers and privacy protocols implement appropriate anti-money-laundering and know-your-customer programs and establish procedures and enhanced monitoring and detection mechanisms to identify possible DPRK transactions, such as rules based on user behavior patterns and system configuration analytics, <sup>288</sup> to better prevent illicit DPRK cyber actors from abusing these services (see also Annex 101).
- 18. The Panel encourages Member States to conduct virtual asset risk assessments and to include proliferation finance and DPRK-related considerations as part of the assessments.

#### **Unintended Humanitarian Effects of Sanctions**

- 19. The Panel values the biannual briefings by the relevant United Nations entities on the unintended impact of sanctions and continues to recommend that the Committee continue this practice.
- 20. The Panel recommends that the Committee continues to emphasize the importance of reestablishing a durable banking channel for humanitarian operations in the DPRK and recommends that the 1718 Committee prioritize addressing this issue.
- 21. The Panel recommends that the Committee discuss with relevant regulators possible guidance to mitigate the problem of banks and other institutions de-risking when DPRK sanctions are involved.
- 22. The Panel recommends that the Secretariat continues to explore ways with UN agencies and NGOs to transfer funds for their humanitarian assistance programmes in the DPRK following the breakdown of a banking channel arrangement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>288</sup> In addition to "traditional" transaction screening based on sanctions lists, publicly identified wallet addresses, etc.

# 23. The Panel reiterates its previous recommendations that:

- In the context of the implementation of Security Council resolution <u>2664</u> (2022), the UN system, including the Committee, take into account information provided by humanitarian actors on the mitigation of the potential adverse impact of UN sanctions on the civilian population and on humanitarian assistance to DPRK.
- The Security Council continue to address issues and processes that mitigate the potential unintended adverse impact of sanctions on the civilian population of the DPRK on humanitarian aid operations;
- The Committee and other relevant stakeholders continue to practically consider the idea of exempting selected exports currently under sanctions, the proceeds of which might be used to finance humanitarian supplies;
- The Committee consider more active outreach with civil society providing humanitarian assistance to the DPRK to help to implement Security Council resolution 2664 (2022); The Committee practically consider the idea of renewable and standing exemptions for humanitarian aid actors and humanitarian-related commodities.

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