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Letter dated 11 August 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

Please find attached a report on the implementation by the Government of Uganda of the measures imposed on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea by Security Council resolutions [2375 \(2017\)](#) and [2397 \(2017\)](#) (see annex).

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Permanent Representative



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Report of Uganda on the implementation of Security Council resolutions [2375 \(2017\)](#) and [2397 \(2017\)](#)

The Republic of Uganda, as a responsible Member State of the United Nations, continues to implement the United Nations sanctions on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. Uganda submitted its last report on the implementation of United Nations sanctions on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution [1718 \(2006\)](#) in January 2018.

In accordance with paragraph 19 of Security Council resolution [2375 \(2017\)](#) and paragraph 17 of Security Council resolution [2397 \(2017\)](#), the Government of Uganda hereby reports on the implementation of the measures imposed by the resolutions.

Implementation of Security Council resolutions [2375 \(2017\)](#) and [2397 \(2017\)](#) on sanctions on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

1. Interministerial Coordination Framework

In order to effectively implement the requirements of the Security Council resolutions on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Government of Uganda established an Interministerial Coordination Framework through which relevant ministries, departments and agencies work together to execute the sanctions measures that fall under their respective areas of responsibility.

This national Framework, which is coordinated and chaired by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, includes the ministries responsible for Internal Affairs, Defence, Justice, Finance, Health and Education. It also includes the Uganda Registration Service Bureau, Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control, the Uganda Financial Intelligence Authority, Uganda Revenue Authority, Bank of Uganda, Uganda Peoples Defence Forces and Uganda Police Force.

2. Dissemination and sharing of information on sanction measures

Through the Interministerial Coordination Framework, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs disseminates information about all resolutions regarding the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, taking the necessary actions, and reporting back. The relevant ministries, departments and agencies convene meetings, share information on designated entities and individuals, interact with and respond to inquiries by the United Nations Panel of Experts as part of a national process of implementing the United Nations sanctions, and also provides inputs to the national implementation reports.

3. Measures taken to implement Security Council resolution [2375 \(2017\)](#)

(a) Designations (paras. 3–5)

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs is working with line ministries, departments and agencies, particularly the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Bank of Uganda, the Uganda Financial Intelligence Authority and departments of immigration and customs, including providing updated lists of all designated individuals and entities mentioned in annexes I and II to resolution 2375, in order to enable these authorities take necessary action within their respective jurisdictions.

(b) Work authorization (para. 17)

Since 2017, the Government of Uganda has not granted work authorizations for nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

No ordinary entry visas have been issued to nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea since 2019, in compliance with a Cabinet directive regarding implementation of the United Nations resolutions on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control is well-seized of the measures under [2375 \(2017\)](#), and is implementing them accordingly.

(c) Joint ventures (para. 18)

The provisions of resolution [2375 \(2017\)](#) on joint ventures were brought to the attention of the Uganda Registration Services Bureau for necessary action. The Registration Services Bureau is a semi-autonomous government agency responsible for business registration in Uganda.

The Uganda Registration Services Bureau has embarked on a verification exercise on the Company Registration, Business Registration and Civil Marriage Register to establish if there are any entries associated with any nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The objective to this exercise is to establish whether there are any Democratic People's Republic of Korea joint ventures operating in Uganda in order to take the necessary measures in compliance with the resolution.

For example, NH-MKP Builders is currently under investigation by the relevant authorities to establish any links with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. The Security Council has been requested to assist with efforts in this regard.

4. Measures taken to implement Security Council resolution [2397 \(2017\)](#)**(a) Designations (para. 3)**

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs is working with the relevant ministries, departments and agencies by providing and updating the lists of individuals and entities mentioned in annexes I and II to resolution [2397 \(2017\)](#) on travel ban and asset freeze of individuals and entities. This provides the relevant implementing agencies with information to take the necessary actions within their respective jurisdictions.

(b) Import and export trade (paras. 4–7)

The Department of Customs is implementing the ban on any imports, exports, transit and trans-shipment goods involving the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, in line with the Cabinet directive to comply with the relevant Security Council resolutions.

(c) Repatriations (para. 8)

Following a decision not to grant or extend work permits to nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Department of Inspection Services of the Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control has embarked on a process to trace and facilitate the repatriation of nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea remaining in Uganda after expiry of their permits, in accordance with resolution [2397 \(2017\)](#).

For example, the work permit for Dr. Linda Jean Park, who was working with Kiwoko Hospital, expired in June 2019, was not renewed by the Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control. Dr. Park exited Uganda on 9 July 2019.

On 24 December 2019, the Directorate of Citizenship and Immigration Control cancelled the work permit for Dr. Choe Tong Song, who was working with Victoria Hospital. His repatriation has been delayed by the closure of airports as a result of the pandemic caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19).

(d) Cancellation of contracts

As stated in the previous report, all defence contracts signed between the Government of Uganda and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea were terminated, and copies of the cancelled contracts were shared with the Panel of Experts.

5. Conclusion

The Government of Uganda reiterates its full support for denuclearization, lasting peace and stability in the Korean Peninsula, and will continue to comply with and implement the Security Council resolutions relating to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Uganda believes that successful denuclearization, sustainable peace and desired stability in the Korean Peninsula can be achieved through dialogue and peaceful means.
