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Note verbale dated 2 April 2019 from the Permanent Mission of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) and has the honour to submit the report of Indonesia on the implementation of Security Council resolution 2397 (2017) (see annex).





Annex to the note verbale dated 2 April 2019 from the Permanent Mission of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

Report of Indonesia on the implementation of Security Council resolution 2397 (2017)

Introduction

1. Indonesia reiterates its support for the implementation of Security Council resolution 2397 (2017) and the provisions related to nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea earning income abroad with the intention of supporting the prohibited nuclear and ballistic missile programmes.

2. In paragraph 8 of the aforementioned resolution, the Security Council decided that Member States should repatriate to the Democratic People's Republic of Korea all nationals of that country earning income in a Member State's jurisdiction and all government safety oversight attachés from the Democratic People's Republic of Korea monitoring workers abroad from that country immediately but no later than 24 months from the date of adoption of resolution 2397 (2017), unless such repatriation was prohibited, subject to applicable national and international law.

3. In fulfilling the obligation of Member States to submit a midterm report on the action taken pursuant to paragraph 8 of resolution 2397 (2017), which should be no later than 15 months from the date of adoption of the resolution, Indonesia has taken appropriate measures on the basis of its national regulations and processes.

Implementation measures

4. The underlying legislative framework for the visa issuance process is based on Law No. 6 of 2011 concerning Immigration and Decree No. M.HH-02.GR.01.06 of 2017 of the Minister for Law and Human Rights of Indonesia regarding visa issuance for calling visa countries. According to the latter regulation, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is one of the countries which requires a calling visa for its nationals to visit Indonesia. A clearance house is therefore required for visa issuance/approval, whereby major reference is made to the prevailing and related Security Council resolutions.

5. As a result of the comprehensive travel ban and strict visa issuance process, visas have only been granted to nationals of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in a limited number of cases, for example to attend international sporting events and/or United Nations-sponsored workshops or seminars. During the first 15 months of the implementation of resolution 2397 (2017), no visa applications were received at our Embassy in Pyongyang other than for the aforementioned purpose.

6. Furthermore, Indonesia has been gradually repatriating the 25 crew members of the Wise Honest vessel, upon the completion of their legal proceedings which were finalized on 19 February 2019. It should be noted that the vessel has been detained and has gone through legal proceedings since April 2018. The same vessel has also been subject to seizure since the Government of Indonesia approved the request of a third country for that measure to be imposed through procedures related to mutual legal assistance in criminal matters.

Financial measures

7. The Government of the Republic of Indonesia, through the Indonesian Financial Transaction Reports and Analysis Center also issued Decree No. 256 of 16 October

2018 containing a list of individuals and entities from North Korea and Iran connected to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and its financing. The list has been circulated to the relevant ministries to inform them of their obligations pursuant to Security Council resolution 1718 (2006) on North Korea and Security Council resolution 2231 (2015) on Iran.

8. The Government of the Republic of Indonesia will continue its efforts to implement Security Council resolutions on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in accordance with its prevailing national laws and regulations.