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Summary:

The DPRK Delegation to the IAEA expresses concern to the Hungarian Embassy about plans to build a regional reprocessing plant in South Korea and urges it to be moved to the Philippines.

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The occasion of the socialist coordinating meeting in Minsk that preceded the General Assembly of the IAEA [International Atomic Energy Agency], on 26 August 1976, late in the evening, Pak Heon-cheol, the head of the DPRK delegation, as well as the representative of the DPRK Foreign Ministry visited me, and described various incidents that had occurred on the South Korean border. [...]

They also informed me that the Technical Assistance program of the IAEA planned to deliver a complete reprocessing plant for the Far Eastern region. The plant is to be established in South Korea, since this region [South Korea] has the most developed technical base.

Their request was that the socialist countries should assist them in preventing the establishment of this plant in South Korea, and if such a plant were established at all in the Far Eastern region, then it should be given to the Philippines.

[...]

Having given me a few small gifts, they once again said thanks for the very valuable advice they had received from the Hungarian delegation at the coordinating meeting held in Székesfehérvár in 1974. As a result of [this advice], at the general assembly the DPRK obtained IAEA membership without any difficulty.

[...]

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