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**Memorandum of Conversation between Kim  
Sung-hwa and Ambassador Ivanov**

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**Summary:**

Kim Seung-hwa and Ivanov set up a meeting between Ivanov and Choe Chang-ik.

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[DPRK Minister of Construction] Kim Sung-hwa [Kim Sung Hwa], whom I had invited to dinner, visited the Embassy construction site in the evening. Kim Sung-hwa passed on a letter from [Deputy Prime Minister] Choe Chang-ik [Choe Chang Ik] who asked [me] to organize a meeting with him at my apartment but expressed a desire that the conversation be conducted without an interpreter, with only him present.

I agreed with this proposal and set this meeting for 8 June at the dacha at Seopo.