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Summary:

A senior Libyan official visits the DPRK and requests assistance with construction. Military and cultural cooperation between North Korea and Libya are also discussed.

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During a recent conversation I had with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea Ambassador to Tripoli about the recent visit of Major A.S. Jalloud, member of the General Secretariat of the General People's Congress, to Korea, [the Ambassador] said:

The visit yielded good results which, however, did not satisfy all the [demands] of the North Koreans, due to their general and uncommitted nature.

The sector in which both sides were interested was that concerned with civilian and military construction work.

Major Jalloud requested the Koreans to increase the volume of the construction of apartment buildings in Eastern Libya, as well as of military facilities (barracks, training centers, shooting ranges, etc.).

Moreover, during the visit, talks about military cooperation were held. The Libyans requested [North Korean] military instructors and manifested interest in the acquisition of North Korean military equipment and weaponry.

A cultural cooperation accord was signed [at the end] of the visit.

Signed Ambassador A. Păcurar