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DPRK's Rejection of Korean Question Resolution**

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**Summary:**

DPRK Minister of Foreign Affairs Pak Seong-cheol releases a November 19 statement from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The statement conveys the DPRK's rejection of the UN's Korean question resolution, request for the withdrawal of foreign troops, dissolution of UNCURK, and Korean people's self-determined resolution.

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QUESTION OF KOREA

Letter dated 19 November 1969 from the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea addressed to the Chairman of the First Committee and to the Secretary-General of the United Nations

I have the honour to convey to you and, through you, to the representatives of various countries to the United Nations the statement of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea dated 19 November, which rejects and declares null and void the illegal "resolution" on the "Korean question" which was forced through at the Political Committee meeting of the 24th session of the United Nations General Assembly on 17 November.

I hope you will distribute the statement to the representatives of various countries without delay as an official United Nations document and inform me of the result.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Pak Sung CHUL  
Minister of Foreign Affairs  
Democratic People's Republic of Korea

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STATEMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS  
OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA

At the Political Committee meeting of the twenty-fourth session of the United Nations General Assembly held on 17 November last, the United States imperialists again forced through a "resolution" on the "Korean question" as in other years by the same old method.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the entire Korean people categorically reject as entirely unlawful and declare null and void this "resolution" on the so-called "Korean question" which was manufactured wilfully against the will and the interests of the Korean people and without the representation and consent of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the solely lawful State of Korea.

Despite the strong opposition of the Korean people and all the peace-loving peoples of the world the United States imperialists, as usual, again forced the current United Nations General Assembly to put the "Korean question" on the agenda for discussion and manufactured the illegal "resolution" full of fraud and deceit, and this is nothing but a foolish manoeuvring to camouflage their policy of aggression against Korea with the signboard of the United Nations.

The United States imperialists clamoured that the cause of the procrastination of Korean unification and the further aggravation of tension in Korea lies in the "threat of Communist aggression from the North" and made a preposterous allegation in the "resolution" on the so-called "Korean question" that the United States imperialist aggression army must continue to occupy South Korea for "unification and independence" and "peace and security".

Furthermore, the United States imperialists drew a false picture in the "resolution" as if the "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea", their faithful instrument of aggression, were making some "contribution" to "easing tension" in Korea and "realizing the peaceful unification of Korea", and repeated their burglarious demand that it should be kept in operation and should be made to submit "reports" full of lies "at any time".

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This is a sinister manoeuvre to "justify" the occupation of South Korea by United States imperialism and its moves for provoking another war in Korea, and to make the "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea" "legalize" the United States imperialist policy of colonial enslavement enforced in South Korea and beautify and embellish the present situation in South Korea which has turned into a living hell with fascist oppression prevailing.

By no means can the United States imperialists cover up their aggressive nature. The occupation of South Korea by United States imperialism and its aggressive policy are the root cause of all the misfortunes and sufferings of the South Korean people, the main obstacle in way of the unification of Korea and the constant source that may lead to the outbreak of war in Korea.

So long as the United States imperialist aggression army is allowed to remain in South Korea neither the peaceful unification of Korea can be achieved nor peace in Korea and Asia be maintained.

At the current session of the United Nations General Assembly the representatives of socialist countries and a number of national independent States of Asia and Africa have thoroughly exposed and condemned the United States imperialist policy of aggression against Korea and the foul nature of the South Korean puppet clique, strongly demanded the withdrawal of the United States imperialist aggression army from South Korea and the dissolution of the "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea" and asserted that the United Nations should no longer discuss the "Korean question" illegally.

This is the reflection of their sincere desire that the question of Korean unification must be solved in a fair and just way to conform with the interests and will of the Korean people and is also in full accord with the principles of the United Nations Charter.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea expresses its thanks to the socialist countries, the national independent countries of Asia and Africa and the entire peace-loving peoples of the world for having exposed and condemned the aggressive policy of United States imperialism against Korea and extended positive support and solidarity with the Korean people in their just struggle for the independent peaceful unification of the country.

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The course of discussion on the "Korean question" at the twenty-fourth session of the United Nations General Assembly has clearly shown how desperately the United States imperialists are trying to keep the United Nations as a pawn for the execution of their aggressive policy, in flagrant violation of the principles of the United Nations Charter to pursue their aggressive purposes at all cost.

The more stubbornly the United States imperialists persist in the manoeuvre to camouflage their colonial fascist rule in South Korea under the signboard of the United Nations, the more widely their shameful colours as aggressor will be laid bare to the whole world and the further they will be driven into a dead end.

The United Nations must not repeat any more its ignominious history of being used as the United States imperialist tool of aggression for its illegal discussion of the "Korean question" against the principles of the United Nations Charter by the coercion of the United States imperialists, and must take its hands off the "Korean question".

The aggressions and war manoeuvrings perpetrated by the United States imperialists in Korea under the United Nations flag must be stopped decisively and the United States imperialist aggression troops must get out of South Korea at once.

The question of the unification of Korea is an internal affair of the Korean people in which no one is allowed to interfere.

The question of Korean unification should be solved by the Korean people themselves independently without any interference of outside forces and peacefully on democratic principles.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea strongly maintains that the United States imperialist aggression troops should be withdrawn from South Korea, "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea", the United States imperialist tool of aggression, be dissolved without delay and the illegal discussion of the "Korean question" at the United Nations be discontinued.

The Korean people will wage a stubborn struggle and thereby force the United States imperialist aggression army out of South Korea and achieve the independent unification of the country without fail.

Pyongyang, 19 November 1969.

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