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**Premier Zhou Enlai's Note to North Korea on His  
Willingness to Establish Diplomatic Relations with  
China**

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**Summary:**

Zhou Enlai writes to North Korean Foreign Minister Pak Hon-yeong and conveys China's desire to establish diplomatic relations with North Korea.

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Chinese

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Pyongyang

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Minister of Foreign Affairs Pak Heon-yeong [Pak Hon Yong]:

On behalf of the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China, I was pleased to receive your telegram of October 4th of this year notifying [us] of your government's decision to establish diplomatic relations between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of China. I now inform you that the Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China warmly welcomes the establishment of diplomatic relations between the People's Republic of China and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the immediate exchange of ambassadors.

Central People's Government of the People's Republic of China

Minister of Foreign Affairs Zhou Enlai

Beijing

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