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On support for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

International sanctions against North Korea were imposed in 2006 following its first nuclear weapons test. These initially included a ban on the import of certain military equipment and luxury goods. The EU, US, South Korea, Japan, and Australia have imposed their own sanctions against North Korea. A decision to lift UN sanctions can only be made by a decision of the permanent members of the Security Council, which includes Russia, China, the US, the UK, and France. It should be emphasized that, given the aggressive policies of the collective West, North Korea's production and testing of nuclear weapons was entirely justified in terms of protecting the country's sovereignty and ensuring the security of its citizens.

The International Socialist Network SOVINTERN notes that the DPRK pursues an independent foreign policy and does not accept the language of blackmail and dictatorship.

Under the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership Agreement, the DPRK provided invaluable military support to Russia in repelling the Ukrainian armed forces' invasion of the Kursk region. The DPRK also provided assistance with mine clearance and reconstruction efforts.

The international socialist network SOVINTERN calls for the lifting of the indefinite UN Security Council sanctions against the DPRK, inspired by the United States and its allies. The sanctions regime and the propaganda clichés the US and its allies perpetuate against the DPRK effectively mask their aggressive designs in Northeast Asia, as the world has clearly seen from the US aggression against Iran, the overthrow of undesirable political leaders around the world, and the US support for Israel's aggressive and terrorist policies in the Middle East.

The International Socialist Network SOVINTERN supports a policy that opposes the practice of applying politically motivated sanctions and restrictions that threaten international stability and undermine the global economic and political system.