Letter dated 15 December 2014 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instruction from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith statements made by a spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea on 9 December 2014, with regard to a request made by some member States of the Security Council to place the situation in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea on the agenda of the Council, and on 12 December 2014, with regard to gross human rights violations including Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) torture crimes committed by the United States (see annexes).

The Democratic People’s Republic of Korea categorically opposes the request made by the United States and some other countries to formally place the situation in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea on the agenda of the Security Council.

The so-called “human rights issue” in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea is politically fabricated and, therefore, it is not at all relevant to regional or international peace and security.

On the contrary, the recently revealed CIA torture crimes committed by the United States, which have been conducted worldwide in the most brutal medieval forms, are the gravest human rights violations in the world.

The issue of CIA torture crimes committed by the United States needs to be urgently addressed in the Security Council since it threatens to have an imminent and destabilizing impact on the maintenance of international peace and security.

Therefore, I strongly request that the issue of CIA torture crimes committed by the United States be formally placed on the Security Council agenda, with a view to considering this agenda as soon as possible, including establishing an ad hoc investigation commission mandated to make a thorough probe into the CIA torture crimes and hold those responsible to account for their most serious human rights violations.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annexes circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex I to the letter dated 15 December 2014 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Statement made by the Spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea on 9 December 2014

Pyongyang, 9 December (KCNA) — A spokesman for the DPRK Foreign Ministry gave the following answer to the question put by KCNA on Tuesday in connection with the fact that the U.S. is mulling over officially bringing the DPRK human rights issue up for discussion at the United Nations Security Council:

The U.S. is scheming once again to abuse the United Nations Security Council for implementing its hostile policy towards the DPRK.

On 5 December, the U.S. and some forces of the United Nations Security Council toeing its line sent the President of the Security Council a joint letter calling for officially referring the DPRK human rights issue to the Security Council.

Why is the U.S. making such haste to refer the above-mentioned human rights issue to the Security Council although the illegal anti-DPRK human rights resolution which it cooked up by setting its followers in motion has not gone through the necessary procedures at the United Nations General Assembly?

The U.S. is leaving no stone unturned to make the resolution an established fact, afraid that this political fraud may face ever bitterer rebuff and condemnation from the world’s people.

This is one more impudent, reckless action which can be taken only by the gangster-like U.S. abusing the United Nations for its purpose of aggression through high-handed and arbitrary practices and swindle.

The U.S. is persistently working to refer the non-existent DPRK human rights issue to the Security Council, although there is the Human Rights Council, the organization specializing in human rights issues. This is prompted by its ulterior intention to invent a pretext for military invasion of the DPRK under the pretext of its human rights issue.

The DPRK had already stated in its address at the United Nations General Assembly this year that the Security Council should not offer a forum for applying the worst double standards and telling a whole string of lies any longer.

Last July, when the DPRK Government formally filed in the Security Council the issue of putting an end to the U.S.-south Korea joint military drills posing a direct threat to international peace and security, the Security Council sidestepped it.

If the Security Council deliberately brings the above-mentioned “human rights issue” irrelevant to security up for discussion under the pressure of the U.S. and its allies, it will be the most striking manifestation of the double standards.

An attempt to discuss the above-mentioned issue at the United Nations Security Council on the basis of the report submitted by the commission of inquiry on human rights in the DPRK which is full of prejudice and lies, a report which was
not verified, will turn the Council into a forum for discussing the fraudulent document.

A dangerous precedent in which a pretext was invented for igniting a war of aggression, on the basis of the false statement made by the U.S. Secretary of State that “Iraq has WMDs”, at the United Nations Security Council 11 years ago, is now repeating itself.

If the United Nations Security Council wants to discuss the human rights issue, it should not read the report deliberately forged by the commission of inquiry without witnessing the DPRK’s reality with its own eyes but call into question the human rights abuses rampant in the U.S.

Why the United Nations Security Council is turning its face from the inhuman torture practised by the CIA, over which the Committee against Torture expressed particular concern and which is dealt with in the 6,000-page report presented by the Intelligence Committee of the U.S. Senate, and such despicable human rights abuses as white American policemen’s brutalities of shooting and strangling black men to death.

If the United Nations Security Council handles the human rights issue in the DPRK while shutting its eyes to the serious human rights issue in the U.S., one of its permanent members, while failing to settle the pending and urgent issues directly linked with world peace and security, it will prove itself its miserable position that it has turned into a tool for U.S. arbitrary practices just as everybody can hear everywhere.

The hostile action taken by the U.S. and its followers against the DPRK abusing the United Nations Security Council will certainly bring serious consequences, and the provocateurs will be held wholly accountable, as they have gone reckless.
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Statement made by the Spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea on 12 December 2014

Pyongyang, 12 December (KCNA) — A spokesman for the DPRK Foreign Ministry issued the following statement on Friday as regards the fact that the human rights abuses systematically committed by the U.S. were again revealed:

On 9 December, the U.S. Congress made public some parts of the report that exposed inhuman acts of torture applied by the CIA against suspects of international terrorist groups.

Those inhumane, medieval tortures have been committed systematically, premeditatedly and extensively under the approval and protection of the U.S. president. This makes it obvious that the U.S. is the kingpin of human rights violation and tundra of human rights.

The revealed acts of torture by the CIA this time are nothing new nor is it in all. They are a piece of the innumerable crimes against humanity that the U.S., a sample state of human rights violation, has committed all over the world in the past.

The whole world is shocked at such atrocious tortures, and international human rights organizations and groups and all the countries are unanimously condemning them.

The kingpin of such human rights violation is pointing its finger at other countries over their human rights records, and this is the height of hypocrisy.

If the United Nations Security Council is truly interested in the settlement of human rights issue, it should not discuss the fictitious human rights issue of the DPRK framed up by a few human scum but, from the viewpoint of setting an example, put into question the century-old heinous human rights violations self-revealed in the U.S., a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council, and bring before the court those who are responsible for such acts.

The world will judge the impartiality of the United Nations Security Council through its attitude towards the DPRK’s just stand on the protection and promotion of human rights and towards the serious human rights records in the U.S.