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Letter dated 5 December 2014 from the representatives of Australia, Chile, France, Jordan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, the Republic of Korea, Rwanda, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

We the undersigned members of the Security Council — Australia, Chile, France, Jordan, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, the United Kingdom and the United States — are deeply concerned about the situation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

We are particularly concerned by the scale and gravity of human rights violations detailed in the comprehensive report undertaken by the Human Rights Council commission of inquiry on human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea ([A/HRC/25/63](#)), as contained in document [S/2014/276](#). These violations threaten to have a destabilizing impact on the region and the maintenance of international peace and security.

Therefore, we write to request that the situation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea be formally placed on the Council's agenda without prejudice to the item on non-proliferation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. We request a meeting of the Security Council on the situation in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, pursuant to rule 2 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure, and request that a senior official from the Secretariat and a senior official from the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights formally brief the Council under that agenda item, which will enable Council members to receive further information from the Secretariat on this situation and its implications for international peace and security.

We would be grateful if the present letter could be circulated as a document of the Security Council, with a view to considering this agenda item as early as possible in the month of December.

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