Resolution 2356 (2017)

Adopted by the Security Council at its 7958th meeting, on 2 June 2017

The Security Council,

Recalling its previous relevant resolutions, including resolution 825 (1993), resolution 1540 (2004), resolution 1695 (2006), resolution 1718 (2006), resolution 1874 (2009), resolution 1887 (2009), resolution 2087 (2013), resolution 2094 (2013), resolution 2270 (2016), and resolution 2321 (2016), as well as the statements of its President of 6 October 2006 (S/PRST/2006/41), 13 April 2009 (S/PRST/2009/7) and 16 April 2012 (S/PRST/2012/13),

Reaffirming that proliferation of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons, as well as their means of delivery, constitutes a threat to international peace and security,

Expressing serious concern that the DPRK has continued to violate relevant Security Council resolutions through repeated launches and attempted launches of ballistic missiles, and noting that all such ballistic missile activities contribute to the DPRK’s development of nuclear weapons delivery systems and increase tension in the region and beyond,

Expressing great concern that the DPRK’s prohibited arms sales have generated revenues that are diverted to the pursuit of nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles while DPRK citizens have unmet needs,

Expressing its gravest concern that the DPRK’s ongoing nuclear- and ballistic missile-related activities have further generated increased tension in the region and beyond, and determining that there continues to exist a clear threat to international peace and security,

Acting under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, and taking measures under its Article 41,

1. Condemns in the strongest terms the nuclear weapons and ballistic missile development activities including a series of ballistic missile launches and other activities conducted by the DPRK since 9 September 2016 in violation and flagrant disregard of the Security Council’s resolutions;

2. Reaffirms its decisions that the DPRK shall abandon all nuclear weapons and existing nuclear programmes in a complete, verifiable and irreversible manner, and immediately cease all related activities; shall not conduct any further launches
that use ballistic missile technology, nuclear tests, or any other provocation; shall suspend all activities related to its ballistic missile programme and in this context re-establish its pre-existing commitments to a moratorium on missile launches; and shall abandon any other existing weapons of mass destruction and ballistic missile programmes in a complete, verifiable and irreversible manner;

3. *Recalls* the measures imposed by paragraph 8 of resolution 1718 (2006), as modified by subsequent resolutions, and *decides* that the measures specified in paragraph 8 (d) of resolution 1718 (2006) shall apply to the individuals and entities listed in Annex I and II of this resolution and to any individuals or entities acting on their behalf or at their direction, and to entities owned or controlled by them, including through illicit means, and that the measures specified in paragraph 8 (e) of resolution 1718 (2006) shall apply to the individuals listed in Annex I of this resolution and to individuals acting on their behalf or at their direction;

4. *Reiterates* the importance of maintaining peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula and in north-east Asia at large, *expresses* its commitment to a peaceful, diplomatic, and political solution to the situation, and *welcomes* efforts by Council members as well as other States to facilitate a peaceful and comprehensive solution through dialogue and *stresses* the importance of working to reduce tensions in the Korean Peninsula and beyond;

5. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.
Annex I

Travel Ban/Asset Freeze (Individuals)

1. CHO IL U
   a. Description: Director of the Fifth Bureau of the Reconnaissance General Bureau. Cho is believed to be in charge of overseas espionage operations and foreign intelligence collection for the DPRK.
   b. AKA: Cho Il Woo
   c. Identifiers: DOB: May 10, 1945; POB: Musan, North Hamgyo’ng Province, DPRK; nationality: DPRK; Passport Number 736410010

2. CHO YON CHUN
   a. Description: Vice Director of the Organization and Guidance Department, which directs key personnel appointments for the Workers’ Party of Korea and the DPRK’s military.
   b. AKA: Jo Yon Jun
   c. Identifiers: DOB: September 28, 1937; Nationality: DPRK

3. CHOE HWI
   a. Description: First Vice Director of the Workers’ Party of Korea Propaganda and Agitation Department, which controls all DPRK media and is used by the government to control the public.
   b. A.K.A.: n/a
   c. Identifiers: YOB: 1954 or 1955, Nationality: DPRK; Gender: male; Address: DPRK

4. JO YONG-WON
   a. Description: Vice Director of the Worker’s Party of Korea’s Organization and Guidance Department, which directs key personnel appointments for the Workers’ Party of Korea and the DPRK’s military.
   b. A.K.A.: Cho Yongwon
   c. Identifiers: DOB: October 24, 1957; Nationality: DPRK; Gender, male; Address: DPRK

5. KIM CHOL NAM
   a. Description: President of Korea Kumsan Trading Corporation, a company that procures supplies for General Bureau of Atomic Energy and serves as a cash route to the DPRK.
   b. A.K.A.: n/a
   c. Identifiers: DOB: February 19, 1970; Nationality: DPRK; Passport no.: 563120238; Address: DPRK

6. KIM KYONG OK
   a. Description: Vice Director of the Organization and Guidance Department, which directs key personnel appointments for the Workers’ Party of Korea and the DPRK’s military.
   b. AKA: Kim Kyong Ok
c. **Identifiers**: YOB: 1937 or 1938; Nationality: DPRK; Address: Pyongyang, DPRK

7. KIM TONG-HO

a. **Description**: Vietnam Representative for Tanchon Commercial Bank, which is the main DPRK financial entity for weapons and missile-related sales.

b. **A.K.A.**: n/a

c. **Identifiers**: DOB: August 18, 1969; Nationality: DPRK; Passport no.: 745310111; Gender: male; Address: Vietnam

8. MIN BYONG CHOL

a. **Description**: Member of the Worker’s Party of Korea’s Organization and Guidance Department, which directs key personnel appointments for the Workers’ Party of Korea and the DPRK’s military.

b. **A.K.A.**: Min Pyo’ng-ch’o’l, Min Byong-chol, Min Byong Chun

c. **Identifiers**: DOB: August 10, 1948; Nationality: DPRK; Gender: male; Address: DPRK

9. PAEK SE BONG

a. **Description**: Paek Se Bong is a former Chairman of the Second Economic Committee, a former member of the National Defense Commission, and a former Vice Director of Munitions Industry Department (MID).

b. **A.K.A.**: n/a

c. **Identifiers**: DOB: 21 March 1938; Nationality: DPRK

10. PAK HAN SE

a. **Description**: Vice Chairman of the Second Economic Committee, which oversees the production of the DPRK’s ballistic missiles and directs the activities of Korea Mining Development Corporation, the DPRK’s premier arms dealer and main exporter of goods and equipment related to ballistic missiles and conventional weapons.

b. **A.K.A.**: Kang Myong Chol

c. **Identifiers**: Nationality: DPRK; Passport no.: 290410121; Address: DPRK

11. PAK TO CHUN

a. **Description**: Pak To Chun is a former Secretary of Munitions Industry Department (MID) and currently advises on affairs relating to nuclear and missile programmes. He is a former State Affairs Commission member and is a member Workers’ Party of Korea Political Bureau.

b. **A.K.A.**: Pak Do Chun

c. **Identifiers**: DOB: 9 March 1944; Nationality: DPRK

12. RI JAE IL

a. **Description**: Vice Director of the Workers’ Party of Korea Propaganda and Agitation Department, which controls all DPRK’s media and is used by the government to control the public.
13. RI SU YONG
   a. **Description**: Official for Korea Ryonbong General Corporation, specializes in acquisition for DPRK’s defence industries and support to Pyongyang’s military-related sales. Its procurements also probably support the DPRK’s chemical weapons programme.
   b. **AKA**: n/a
   c. **Identifiers**: DOB: June 25, 1968; Nationality: DPRK; Passport no.: 654310175; Gender: male; Address: Cuba

14. RI YONG MU
   a. **Description**: Ri Yong Mu is a Vice Chairman of the State Affairs Commission, which directs and guides all DPRK’s military, defence, and security-related affairs, including acquisition and procurement.
   b. **AKA**: n/a
   c. **Identifiers**: DOB: 25 January 1925; Nationality: DPRK
Annex II

Asset Freeze (Entities)

1. KANGBONG TRADING CORPORATION
   a. Description: The Kangbong Trading Corporation sold, supplied, transferred, or purchased, directly or indirectly, to or from the DPRK, metal, graphite, coal, or software, where revenue or goods received may benefit the Government of the DPRK or the Workers’ Party of Korea. The Kangbong Trading Corporation’s parent is the Ministry of People’s Armed Forces.
   b. AKA: N/A
   c. Location: DPRK

2. KOREA KUMSAN TRADING CORPORATION
   a. Description: Korea Kumsan Trading Corporation is owned or controlled by, or acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the General Bureau of Atomic Energy, which oversees the DPRK’s nuclear programme.
   b. AKA: N/A
   c. Location: Pyongyang, DPRK

3. KORYO BANK
   a. Description: Koryo Bank operates in the financial services industry in the DPRK’s economy and is associated with Office 38 and Office 39 of the KWP.
   b. AKA: N/A
   c. Location: Pyongyang, DPRK

4. STRATEGIC ROCKET FORCE OF THE KOREAN PEOPLE’S ARMY
   a. Description: The Strategic Rocket Force of the Korean People’s Army is in charge of all DPRK ballistic missile programmes and is responsible for SCUD and NODONG launches.
   b. AKA: Strategic Rocket Force; Strategic Rocket Force Command of KPA; Strategic Force; Strategic Forces
   c. Location: Pyongyang, DPRK