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Director of Department of International Organizations of DPRK Foreign Ministry Issues Press Statement

Pyongyang, October 3 (KCNA) -- Jo Chol Su, director of the Department of International Organizations of the Foreign Ministry of the DPRK, made public the following press statement on Sunday:

The UN Security Council, at the instigation of the U.S., convened a meeting behind closed doors on October 1, where it faulted the activities of the DPRK for self-defence.

At the meeting the U.S. and those countries following the U.S. like Britain and France, painted the test-launch of a hypersonic missile Hwasong-8 conducted by the DPRK as a violation of the UN "resolution", insisting that it becomes "threats" to the international peace and security of neighboring countries.

We have never acknowledged the partial and illegal UN "resolution" that seriously encroaches upon the right to existence and development of sovereign states.

All the weapon tests of the DPRK are conducted thoroughly in the territorial land, air and seas of the DPRK and in the safe open seas and they have never posed any threats or harm to the security of its neighboring countries.

However, the UNSC, whether the meeting was held officially or behind the closed doors, put on the table the issue pertaining to the DPRK's exercise of sovereignty. This means an open ignorance of and wanton encroachment on the sovereignty of the DPRK and a serious intolerable provocation against it. Demanding that we renounce our right to self-defence means an expression of its intention not to acknowledge the DPRK as a sovereign state.

I express strong concerns over the fact that the UNSC amused itself with the dangerous "time-bomb" this time.

The UNSC keeps mum about large-scale joint military exercises between the U.S. and its vassal forces and about their frequent attack weapon tests, but it faults the normal and planned self-defensive measures taken by the DPRK. This is a denial of impartiality, objectivity and equilibrium, lifelines of the UN activities, and an evident manifestation of double-dealing standard.

President of the State Affairs **Kim Jong Un** in his recent policy speech said that if the U.S. unfair and double-dealing practices are overlooked or left as they are, the hostile forces may make it a fait accompli and may come out to make a fun of us. He also stressed we must not make even an inch of concession in defending our state's independent right and never tolerate even the slightest things if they are aimed at encroaching upon the sovereignty of our country, but we must take powerful state countermeasures.

The UN Security Council had better think what consequences it will bring in the future in case it tries to encroach upon the sovereignty of the DPRK again with the double-dealing stick, while attaching weight to the U.S.-style brigandish way of thinking and judgment. -0-