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Topic: Nuclear Proliferation in East Asia, Sovereignty of North Korea and Resolution of the Korean War, and Reunification of the Korean Peninsula and the Peace Process in East Asia

Country: People's Republic of China

With the growing rift between the North and South Korea and the acquisition or development of nuclear weapons by the North, the six party talks are increasingly important. As a party to the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, China finds North Korea's withdrawal unacceptable and at odds with our goal of peace in northern Asia. China has supported UN resolutions supporting sanctions on North Korea, mainly UN Security Resolution 1718, and has rebuked North Korea for test-firing ballistic missiles over Japan. As a result Japanese relations have become even more strained and the Japanese Self-Defense Forces have begun to strengthen, only furthering the tension in northeast Asia. China finds this ridiculous and uncalled for, and is committed to finding a way to stabilise the region, including sanctions involving the nuclear disarmament of North Korea. The People's Republic of China naturally views North Korea as a sovereign nation in its own right, having helped in the Korean war on the side of the DPRK, and has maintained strong economic ties since. As stipulated in the Treaty of Friendship, China will come to the aide of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea in the event of any foreign attack. China is also opposed to the unification of the Korean peninsula under the authority of the Republic of Korea.