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Identical letters dated 25 October 2004 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I would like to draw your attention to the joint naval exercise that will be staged by the United States of America, together with Japan, in the Tokyo Wan of Japan from 26 October 2004 pursuant to the Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI).

The joint naval exercise constitutes a breach of the Charter of the United Nations, international law and order and a dangerous act that could entail global instability.

Given its origin and the process of its development, the Proliferation Security Initiative serves as an illegal leverage to intervene in the internal affairs of independent Member States of the United Nations and can never be justified.

The joint naval exercise is synchronized with the recent adventurous United States "plan for reinforcing war potential in south Korea" and the deployment of the naval missile defence system for an actual warfare in the East Sea of Korea, which expressly represents an arrangement for the pre-emptive attack against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

In particular, it is a treacherous act against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea-Japan Pyongyang Declaration that Japan provided the Tokyo Wan as a place for the joint naval exercise.

Moreover, the direct and indirect participation in the PSI joint naval exercise by some participants in the six-party talks will create an obstacle to the peaceful solution of the nuclear issue of the Korean peninsula.

I request that you take immediate action in view of the gravity of the situation.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 24, and of the Security Council.

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