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## **STATEMENT OF 11 OCTOBER 1993 OF THE MINISTER OF ATOMIC ENERGY OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

The attached text of a statement of 11 October 1993 of the Minister of Atomic Energy of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) is being circulated for the information of Member States at the request of the Permanent Mission of the DPRK.

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S T A T E M E N T

of the Minister of Atomic Energy  
of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea  
Pyongyang, 11 October 1993

On 27 September this year at the opening session of the 37th Regular General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), Vienna, Austria, a Message of the Secretary-General of the United Nations to the General Conference has been delivered.

The Message bringing forward the "nuclear problem" of the DPRK, said that the international community must show its resolve to remove the danger of nuclear proliferation and "Our collective experience in dealing with the challenges posed by Iraq and North Korea demonstrates the importance of strong international backing, including when necessary, the active involvement of the Security Council." thus unreasonably provoking the DPRK.

We cannot but take a serious view of the fact that our country, a dignified member state of the United Nations, is arbitrarily called "North Korea" in the Message.

As can be seen in these few facts, the "Message" is an insult to the sovereignty of our republic and it is never acceptable to it.

Our delegation which was attending the 48th UN General Assembly session of the United Nations met the UN Secretary-General on October 7 and demanded that he explain the matter.

Expressing surprise at this, the Secretary-General told the head of our delegation: " I regret to hear about the "Message" sent to the General Conference of the IAEA. I have never known that such a "Message" was sent. The "Message" would not have been sent, had I known its content. I did not sign it."

As is clear above, the forge of "conveying Message" allegedly sent by the UN Secretary-General to the IAEA

General Conference was another political drama invented by some officials of the UN Secretariat and the IAEA Secretariat in conspiracy with each other for the purpose of doing harm to the DPRK.

This case of the faked-up "Message" proves once again that the "nuclear problem" of the DPRK was an offspring of a political plot to stifle our republic from the beginning.

Some officials of the United Nations Secretariat and the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy, zealously following the policy of the hostile forces for stifling our republic, forged a "Message" of the UN Secretary-General without his consent and signature. This base intrigue is beyond imagination.

With the exposure of the forgery of the "Message" one can no more deny that the "resolution" of the General Conference of the IAEA on our "nuclear issue" is closely linked with the base swindle of political charlatans.

It is elementary common sense that the United Nations, an international peace organization, calls its member states by their official name.

The fact that our country was arbitrarily called in the "Message" proves that it can not be an "official document" of the United Nations in any respect and that the hostile policy and political prejudice against our republic have reached the climax.

The member states of the United Nations and the IAEA must strictly guard against the recurrence of such political intrigue as insulting the authority of the UN Secretary-General and impairing the competency of dignified international organizations and pay due attention to this.

The IAEA has lost its qualification and face to have further negotiation with the DPRK as it even staged the drama of forging a "Message" at the moment when the scope of its partiality concerning the "nuclear problem" of the DPRK was being further expanded.

Facts show that the "nuclear problem" of the DPRK can be solved only through DPRK-USA talks.