

Madam Chairperson,

• L 32
• L 48/Rev 1
• L 13/Rev 2 ~~6~~ (op 6)
~~operated by the DPRK~~

The DPRK Delegation opposes the draft resolution A/C.1/61/L.13/Rev.2, since it deals with nuclear test by the DPRK in one-sided and biased manner.

As we repeatedly stressed earlier, the nuclear test by the DPRK is an exercise of its legitimate right as a sovereign state, since it is a self-defensive countermeasure to protect the sovereignty of the country as well as life and security of the people from the intensified nuclear war threat, sanctions and pressure by the U.S. against the DPRK.

It is a climax of partiality and immorality to selectively take up an issue of the DPRK's exercise of its rights to defend the sovereignty of the country, while neglecting the U.S. hostile policy toward the DPRK, root cause of the nuclear issue on the Korean Peninsula.

It will only intensify the confrontation, rather than solving the issue.

The DPRK delegation, therefore, will vote against this draft resolution that do not help at all solving the nuclear issue on the Korean peninsula.

Madam Chairperson,

The DPRK still remains unchanged in its will to denuclearize the Korean peninsula through dialogue and negotiations

The DPRK delegation reiterates the principled position that the DPRK will make every possible effort to realize the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula and promote global nuclear disarmament and the ultimate elimination of nuclear weapons.