



**ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS' STATEMENT  
ON THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA'S  
BALLISTIC MISSILE LAUNCH**

7 March 2017

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) expresses its grave concern over the firing of ballistic missiles by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) in the early morning of 6 March 2017. This is the second incident since the start of the year by the DPRK and is in clear violation of the relevant resolutions of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC).

ASEAN strongly urges the DPRK to comply with these UNSC resolutions in the interest of maintaining peace and security in the region.

ASEAN reaffirms the importance of peace and security in the Korean Peninsula and reiterates its full support for the denuclearisation of the peninsula in a peaceful manner.

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