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**Statement by H.E. Mr. Mogens Lykketoft,
President of the 70th Session of the General Assembly,
on the nuclear warhead explosion test carried out by the Democratic
People's Republic of Korea**

I am appalled and gravely concerned by the announcement made earlier today by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) on the carrying out of a nuclear explosion test, which I condemn in the strongest terms.

This irresponsible and unacceptable act represents a serious threat to international peace and security and is a clear violation of Security Council resolutions 1718, 1874, 2087, 2094 and 2270.

I call on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to pursue its objectives in a peaceful manner, abandon its nuclear weapon and missile programmes and comply with all its international obligations.