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The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) presents her compliments to the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations and has the honour to refer to its note verbale dated 16 July 2021, requesting the Committee, in accordance with paragraph 25 of resolution 2397 (2017), for an exemption to allow for the export of medical equipment for the prevention and control of COVID-19 in the DPRK, in particular the delivery of six units of a Rotor-Disc 100 Starter Kit for a PCR device to the Ministry of Public Health of the DPRK.

The Chair has the further honour to inform Germany that, following due consideration, the Committee has decided to approve the requested exemption in the abovementioned note verbale, in accordance with paragraph 25 of Security Council resolution 2397 (2017), to transfer the items and services outlined in Germany's note verbale within the next nine months, which are enclosed in this note verbale as an attachment. The Committee recommends that, to the best extent practicable, the items be consolidated into three shipments or less, with a view to increasing efficiency of shipping and custom clearance.

The Committee reiterates that the sanctions measures imposed by the Security Council through its resolutions with respect to the DPRK are not intended to bear a negative impact on the people of the DPRK, and the note verbale it issued to all Member States, as well as its press release SC/13113 of 8 December 2017, offer clarifications as regards humanitarian aid to the DPRK. The note verbale further recalls that each Member State must fully implement relevant Security Council measures, while keeping in mind the need to clarify to public and private sector entities in their jurisdiction that, while properly implementing United Nations sanctions, humanitarian activities should not be unduly restricted.

The Committee further supports and approves Germany engaging in necessary business and financial transactions only for the purchase of goods and services exempted by the Committee and found in the attachment without prejudice to the relevant commercial decisions.

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At the same time, the Committee requests relevant organizations delivering humanitarian assistance to the DPRK to adhere to the exemption time limit approved by the Committee and fully respect and abide by relevant national laws, regulations, and licensing requirements governing financial and commercial transactions, and shipping and custom clearance conducted in the jurisdictions of affected Member States.

The Chair has the further honour to inform Germany that this note verbale and its annex will be published on the 1718 Committee website for the public, including relevant national authorities involved in reviewing the exempted transfers to the DPRK, for a period of nine months.

The Committee would like to thank Germany for its diligence.

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006) avails herself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations the assurances of her highest consideration.

(Signed)

23 July 2021

Attachment:

- List of Goods for Transfer to the DPRK

Annex

Pos.	Item	Quantity	Planned shipment date
1	Rotor Disc 100 Starter Kit, Jossi AG	6 units	as soon as possible