

1 April 2024

Dear Mr. Chelminski,

On behalf of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006), I have the honour to refer to your letter dated 20 February 2024, conveying to the Committee a request for an exemption pursuant to with paragraph 25 of resolution 2397 (2017), to engage in humanitarian activities in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), in particular to allow the import of multipurpose tents and infrared thermometers pertaining to humanitarian activities WHO intends to undertake in the DPRK, at the request of its Ministry of Public Health.

I have the further honour to inform you that, following due consideration, the Committee has decided to approve the requested exemption in the abovementioned letter, in accordance with paragraph 25 of Security Council resolution 2397 (2017), to transfer the items outlined in your letter within the next nine months, which is enclosed in this letter as an attachment. The items are requested to be shipped once together or in a consolidated matter, with a view to increasing efficiency 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.

Mr. Robert Chelminski
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New Delhi, India

The Committee further supports and approves WHO 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.

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.

I wish to inform you that this letter 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 WHO for its diligence.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)

Pascale Baeriswyl
Chair

Security Council Committee established
pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)

Attachment:

- List of items for transfer to the DPRK

Item No.	Material Description	HS code	Make	Model/PO Number	Manufacturer	Specifications	Country of Origin	Quantity	Value (USD)	Purpose of item for project	Planned date(s) of transfer	Port of Departure	Port of Entry	Parties involved in transaction	Measure to ensure assistance is used for intended purpose / Monitoring Plan
1	TENT MULTIPURPOSE, 24m2, galvanized frame, groundsheet, + acc.	63062200	ESHETENM24 A--A1	202677353	Alpinter	Tent, 24sqm	Pakistan	21	18,060	To provide humanitarian aid and relief during emergency , natural disaster for civilian population.	June -Dec 2024 (tentative)	Dubai	Nampo/Sinuiju	a) WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia, New Delhi, India, Metropolitan Hotel Office Block, Bangla Sahib Road, Gole Market, Sector 4, New Delhi 110 001, India b) WHO Country Office, 14 Hodong, Munsudong, Pyongyang, DPR Korea, Email: prakasho@who.int, rik@who.int, Tel:+85023817913 c) MOPH - DPRK, Sochang-Don , Central District, Pyongyang City DPR Korea, E mail: bogon.moph@star-co.net.kp d) WHO Dubai Warehouse	In order to ensure that the goods provided to the MOPH/DPRK by WHO are used for their intended purpose and not diverted for prohibited purposes, WHO will take the following measures: Upon arrival at the designated port, WHO through its Country Office will clear the goods and physically accept them. All verified items will be handed over to the MoPH. This will be done through a formal handing over taking over note signed by both parties. By implementing these measures WHO Country Office expects to minimize the possibility of diversion and ensure that these items are strictly used for their intended purpose.
2	TENT MULTIPURPOSE (XPERT 24), 24m2, aluminium frame, groundsheet, w/acc	63062200	ESHETENM24 XAFA1	202731664	Alpinter	Tent, 24sqm	China	28	38,248	To provide humanitarian aid and relief during emergency , natural disaster for civilian population.	June -Dec 2024 (tentative)	Dubai	Nampo/Sinuiju	as above	In order to ensure that the goods provided to the MOPH/DPRK by WHO are used for their intended purpose and not diverted for prohibited purposes, WHO will take the following measures: Upon arrival at the designated port,
3	TENT MULTIPURPOSE, 42m2, galvanized frame, groundsheet, w/acc.	63062200	ESHETENM42 A--A1	202677353	Alpinter	Tent, 42sqm	Pakistan	8	11,192	To provide humanitarian aid and relief during emergency , natural disaster for civilian population.	June -Dec 2024 (tentative)	Dubai	Nampo/Sinuiju	as above	In order to ensure that the goods provided to the MOPH/DPRK by WHO are used for their intended purpose and not diverted for prohibited purposes, WHO will take the following measures: Upon arrival at the designated port, WHO through its Country Office will clear the goods and physically accept them. All verified items will be handed over to the MoPH. This will be done through a formal handing over taking over note signed by both parties. By implementing these measures WHO Country Office expects to minimize the possibility of diversion and ensure that these items are strictly used for their intended
4	TENT MULTIPURPOSE, 72m2, galvanized frame, groundsheet, w/acc	63062200	ESHETENM72 A--A1	202677353	Alpinter	Tent, 72sqm	Pakistan	3	6255	To provide humanitarian aid and relief during emergency , natural disaster for civilian population.	June -Dec 2024 (tentative)	Dubai	Nampo/Sinuiju	as above	In order to ensure that the goods provided to the MOPH/DPRK by WHO are used for their intended purpose and not diverted for prohibited purposes, WHO will take the following measures: Upon arrival at the designated port, WHO through its Country Office will clear the goods and physically accept them. All verified items will be handed over to the MoPH. This will be done through a formal handing over taking over note signed by both parties. By implementing these measures WHO Country Office expects to minimize the possibility of diversion and ensure that these items are strictly used for their intended
5	TENT MULTIPURPOSE (XPERT 72), 72m2, aluminium frame, groundsheet, w/acc	63062200	ESHETENM72 XAFA1	202746316	Alpinter	Tent, 72sqm	China	2	5,634	To provide humanitarian aid and relief during emergency , natural disaster for civilian population.	June -Dec 2024 (tentative)	Dubai	Nampo/Sinuiju	as above	In order to ensure that the goods provided to the MOPH/DPRK by WHO are used for their intended purpose and not diverted for prohibited purposes, WHO will take the following measures: Upon arrival at the designated port, WHO through its Country Office will clear the goods and physically accept them. All verified items will be handed over to the MoPH. This will be done through a formal handing over taking over note signed by both parties. By implementing these measures WHO Country Office expects to minimize the possibility of diversion and ensure that these items are strictly used for their intended

6	THERMOMETER, INFRARED (Babyly BLIR-3), no contact, handheld	90251900	Z20150941-D	202539653	Zhejiang Institute of Medical Device Supervision and Testing	Thermometer	China	175	6,825	To provide humanitarian aid and relief during emergency , natural disaster for civilian population.	June -Dec 2024 (tentative)	Dubai	Nampo/Sinuiju	as above	In order to ensure that the goods provided to the MOPH/DPRK by WHO are used for their intended purpose and not diverted for prohibited purposes, WHO will take the following measures: Upon arrival at the designated port, WHO through its Country Office will clear the goods and physically accept them. All verified items will be handed over to the MoPH. This will be done through a formal handing over taking over note signed by both parties. By implementing these measures WHO Country Office expects to minimize the possibility of diversion and ensure that these items are strictly used for their intended
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