27 February 2020

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 25 February 2020, requesting the Committee for an exemption pursuant to paragraph 25 of resolution 2397 (2017), in accordance with Implementation Assistance Notice No. 7, to engage in humanitarian activities in the DPRK, in particular to allow for the transfer of diagnostic equipment and commodities for prevention and control of COVID-19 in the DPRK, aimed to enhance the diagnostics capacity in the country, thus ensuring timely treatment of the patients and prevention of spread of COVID-19 virus among the vulnerable population of the DPRK.

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 and services outlined in the letter within the next six months, which is enclosed in this letter as an attachment. The items are requested to be shipped once together or in a consolidated manner, 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, 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 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.

Mr. Robert Chelminski
Director, Administration and Finance a.i.
for Regional Director
World Health Organization
Regional Office for South-East Asia
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 six months.

The Committee would like to thank WHO for its diligence.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)

Christoph Heusgen
Chair
Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)

Attachment:
- List of Items and Services for Transfer to the DPRK
<table>
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<tr>
<th>S.No.</th>
<th>Material Description</th>
<th>Division</th>
<th>Purchase Order</th>
<th>Qualification</th>
<th>Location</th>
<th>Part of Equipment</th>
<th>Port of Entry</th>
<th>Port of Exit</th>
<th>Part of Port</th>
<th>Remarks Involved in Transaction</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Thermometer, incl. no brand, handheld</td>
<td>Testing</td>
<td>STY - 600</td>
<td>Should be issued subject to care of loss and damages of measurement process.</td>
<td>Portable</td>
<td>Handheld incl.</td>
<td>Tokyo, Japan</td>
<td>Tokyo, Japan</td>
<td>Tokyo, Japan</td>
<td>For the item to be issued to the Ministry of Public Health in this country for continuous monitoring.</td>
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**Notes:**
- S.No. is the serial number.
- Material Description includes various items like thermometers, punches, etc.
- Division indicates the department or section responsible.
- Purchase Order is the reference number for the purchase.
- Qualification specifies the type of qualification or standard.

**Purpose:**
- The purpose of these items is for monitoring and measurement processes, ensuring continuous surveillance in various contexts.

**Transaction Measures:**
- The items are intended for use by relevant authorities to enforce regulations and standards.
- Proper origin and port details are provided to ensure the correct and legal movement of goods.

**Use and Origin:**
- Use indicates the specific purpose or application of the item.
- Origin specifies the country of manufacture or origin.

**Part of Equipment:**
- This column details the part or section of the equipment where the item is to be used.

**Part of Port:**
- This column specifies the part of the port where the item is to be handled.

**Remarks Involved in Transaction:**
- These remarks provide additional context or notes related to the transaction, including any specific conditions or responsibilities.

**Other Notes:**
- The table includes detailed specifications for each item, such as QTY, size, etc., to ensure proper handling and storage.
- Coordination with relevant authorities is necessary to ensure the proper implementation of these measures.
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### Medical Airflow Devices

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<td>High-performance ultrasound scanner, software compatible with various designs and lengths</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Resuscitator, adult, weight 7-10kg, manual ventilation, self-inflation, 120V, 60Hz, autoclavable.</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>Resuscitator, child, weight 7-8kg, manual ventilation, self-inflation, 120V, 60Hz, autoclavable.</td>
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