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COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2025/2558
of 15 December 2025
implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic
People's Republic of Korea

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 of 30 August 2017 concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and repealing Regulation (EC) No 329/2007 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 47 and 47a thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 30 August 2017, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2017/1509.
- (2) In accordance with Article 47a(1) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1509, the Council has reviewed the lists of designated persons, entities, bodies and vessels set out in Annexes XV, XVI, XVII and XVIII to that Regulation.
- (3) The restrictive measures against the persons and entities in the lists set out in Annexes XV and XVI to Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 should be maintained. The entries for one person and three entities in those Annexes should be updated.
- (4) Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annexes XV and XVI to Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 are amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 15 December 2025.

For the Council
The President
K. KALLAS

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 224, 31.8.2017, p. 1, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2017/1509/oj>.

Regulation (EU) 2017/1509 is amended as follows:

(1) Annex XV is amended as follows:

(a) under the heading ‘(a) Natural persons designated in accordance with point (a) of Article 34(4)’, entry 10 is replaced by the following:

	Name	Alias	Identifying information	Date of designation	Statement of Reasons
‘10.	HONG Sung-Mu 홍승무	HONG Sung Mu	DOB: 1.1.1942 Gender: male	20.5.2016	Vice Director of the Munitions Industry Department (MID). The MID – designated by the UN Security Council on 2 March 2016 – is involved in key aspects of the DPRK’s missile programme. The MID is responsible for overseeing the development of the DPRK’s ballistic missiles, including research and development programmes. As such, Hong is responsible for the DPRK’s nuclear arms-related, ballistic-missile-related or other weapons of mass destruction-related programmes. He witnessed the launch of the Hwasong-15 intercontinental ballistic missile on 28 November 2017. He participated in a meeting of the Central Military Commission of the Korean Workers’ Party in July 2020 dedicated to “deterrence from war”, a euphemism used to refer to the DPRK nuclear programme. He was re-elected to Party Central Committee in January 2021. In March 2023, he was photographed with Kim Jong Un inspecting purported nuclear warheads ready for mounting on ballistic missiles, and in September 2024, he was photographed with Kim Jong Un inspecting a DPRK uranium enrichment facility.’

(b) under the heading ‘(b) Legal persons, entities and bodies designated in accordance with point (a) of Article 34(4)’, entry 4 is replaced by the following:

	Name	Alias	Location	Date of designation	Other information
‘4.	Yongbyon Nuclear Scientific Research Centre 냉변 원자력 연구소 영변 원자력 연구소			22.12.2009	Facilities capable of producing fissile material for military uses, including a 5MW (e) reactor, a plutonium reprocessing facility (radio-chemical laboratory), a Light Water Reactor (LWR) and a reported uranium enrichment facility. The Centre is maintained by the General Bureau of Atomic Energy (entity designated by the UNSC, 16.7.2009). In June 2024, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) stated that they had observed the intermittent discharge of water from the cooling system of the LWR at Yongbyon since December 2023, consistent with the operation of the LWR. The IAEA also detected ongoing indications of operation of the 5MW(e) reactor and of the reported centrifuge enrichment facility. The UN Panel of Experts, in its March 2024 report, also detected significant ongoing activity at Yongbyon. Satellite imagery taken throughout 2025 confirmed continued operations and the completion of several new construction projects.’

(2) In Annex XVI, under the heading ‘(b) Legal persons, entities and bodies’, entries 3 and 8 are replaced by the following:

	Name (and possible aliases)	Identifying information	Date of designation	Reasons
‘3.	Maritime Administrative Bureau a.k.a. Maritime Administration of DPR Korea a.k.a. DPRK National Maritime Supervision Bureau 조선민주주의인민공화국 국가해사감독국	Address: Ryonhwa-2Dong, Central District, Pyongyang, DPRK PO Box 416 Telephone: 850-2-18111 Ex 8059 Fax 850 2 381 4410 Email: mab@silibank.net.kp Website: www.ma.gov.kp	16.10.2017	The Maritime Administrative Bureau has assisted in the evasion of sanctions imposed by the United Nations Security Council including by renaming and re-registering assets of designated entities and providing false documentation to vessels subject to United Nations sanctions.
8.	Korea Paekho Trading Corporation (Alias: Joson Paekho Muyok Hoesa) 조선백호무역회사	Address: Chongryu 3-dong, Taedonggang District, Pyongyang, Democratic People's Republic of Korea	21.4.2022	Paekho Trading Corporation is an art company involved in constructing statues overseas, in exporting artwork statues produced by Paekho Art Studio, and facilitates illicit labour and access to international financial systems. It specifically targets development grants and loans, as well as foreign-direct investment earmarked for municipal projects. It is, thereby, engaged in the evasion of sanctions and responsible for supporting financially the DPRK's nuclear and ballistic programmes. In July 2024, the company was seen participating in a trade fair of DPRK products in Vladivostok, Russia, and in November 2024, it was seen participating in the 16th Pyongyang Autumn International Trade Fair.’