SECRETARY-GENERAL HOPES DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA'S DISCUSSIONS WITH IAEA AND UNITED STATES HAVE POSITIVE OUTCOME

The following statement was issued today by the Spokesman for the Secretary-General:

Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali yesterday received the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, who expressed his Bovernment's appreciation for the recent visit by the Secretary-General to Pyongyang and gave him a video tape covering the events of his stay.

The Secretary-General said that since his visit, he had continued to follow closely developments concerning the Korean peninsula, including the discussions between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United States and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), respectively. He hoped that the outcome of those discussions would be positive and constructive. He also hoped that negotiations between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea would resume.

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