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Mr. Chair,

Thirty-five years have passed since the regional disarmament was formally placed on the Agenda of the First Committee in accordance with the resolution of the 45th Session of the UNGA in 1990. However, the efforts of humanity to safeguard regional peace and security still face ever-increasing challenges, due to the high-handedness and arbitrariness of specific forces.

Mr. Chair,

No precedent can be found after the World War II as in this year when almost all regions and continents of the world were engulfed in conflicts and disputes, radical increase of arms expenditure and acts of violation of sovereignty of others.

As is well-known, the Ukrainian crisis triggered by the NATO 's reckless eastward advance is dragging on for almost three years due to the continued support of the West, thus plunging the whole of Europe into the vortex of war.

Under the active patronage and backing of the U.S., Israel has killed almost 60,000 civilians in the Middle East, and openly perpetrates the act of seizing territory which

is the complete occupation of the Gaza Strip, in defiance of the just demands of the international community.

In particular, the unprovoked military intervention in Iran by the U.S. and Israel constitutes a flagrant infringement on the territorial integrity and security interests of a sovereign state. It is also a grave violation of the UN Charter with its fundamental principles of respect for sovereignty and non-interference in internal affairs as well as the norms of international law.

The reckless arms build-up of the U.S. and the West which becomes all the more undisguised with each passing day is acting as a malicious factor accelerating destruction of the global security environment.

The U.S. announced a plan for an astronomical military spending as much as nearly one trillion USD. And the NATO members and other allies of the U.S. committed themselves one after another to large-scale increase in military expenditure. Such moves plunge the whole world into the turmoil of arms race. This is the undeniable security situation of today.

Still worse, the U.S. plan to establish the Golden Dome missile defense system and its attempt for forward deployment of nuclear weapons in UK and deployment of medium-range missiles in the Philippines, Japan, Australia, Denmark and Germany arouse serious concern of the international community for its hegemonic and offensive nature.

All these facts clearly point to the real masterminds who caused the current security crisis faced by humanity.

The international community should heighten vigilance at and thoroughly oppose and reject the hegemonic and selfish acts of the U.S. and the West that are disturbing regional peace and stability.

Mr. Chair,

The intensified military conspiracy and saber-rattling of the U.S. and its allies on the Korean peninsula are the clearest manifestation of their will to provoke a war and constitute the root cause of destroying regional peace and security environment.

Last year the U.S. concluded “guidelines on nuclear deterrence and operations” with ROK and “extended deterrence guidelines” with Japan to formalize the plan, operation and launch of nuclear attack against the DPRK together with the allies in the region.

Accordingly, the U.S., this year alone, has incessantly conducted large- and small-scale nuclear war drills of distinctively preemptive offensive and aggressive nature including Ulji Freedom Shield.

The U.S. has included the domains of space and cyberspace in the war exercises against the DPRK and expanded the involvement of the armed forces of the “UN Command” member states. In the meantime, it is constantly dispatching high-tech military hardware to the Korean peninsula, breaking the record in its sabre rattling against the DPRK.

Nowhere in the world can we find such place as the surrounding areas of the DPRK multi-domain military exercises are openly conducted annually in a real-war atmosphere with involvement of huge armed forces.

We will surely respond to this geo-political crisis and the trend of development and take reflexive measures.

Comrade **Kim Jong Un**, President of the State Affairs of the DPRK, said that we will staunchly and overwhelmingly contain the enemies’ military acts of all hues which gravely threaten the sovereignty and interests of our State.

The unshakable will and capability of the DPRK to safeguard the sovereignty and security of the country will be demonstrated by practical actions.

The DPRK will definitely contain and control all the military threats of the enemy states and reliably defend peace and stability on the Korean peninsula and the region.

Thank you.