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With respect to the introduction of F-111 bombers in South Korea on February 24th, 1976, the Press Department in the DPRK Ministry of Foreign Affairs organized a press conference on February 27th, 1976, which was attended by Korean journalists, foreign press correspondents and press attaches in Pyongyang.

On this occasion a declaration of the DPRK Ministry of Foreign Affairs was presented on the issue mentioned above, in which, amongst other things, it was shown that the DPRK government condemns the provocative act of the United States, which is threatening peace in Asia and in the entire world.

"The American imperialists are the main instigators to the rise of tensions and the unleashing of a war of aggression in Korea." "Facts show," the declaration underlines, "that as long as the US troops are stationed in South Korea, it is impossible to get rid of the state of tension and to achieve the unification of the homeland."

The declaration reiterates arguments and observations already known in respect to the Korean problem.

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