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To: the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (to comrade Deputy Foreign Minister Constantin Oancea; to comrade Director Vasile Sandru)

From: the Romanian Embassy in Pyongyang

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We would like to inform you that the August 1<sup>st</sup> issue of *Nodong Sinmun* newspaper, under the title 'We must increase our vigilance and prepare for war', is publishing ample excerpts from the article with the same title published in the 8<sup>th</sup> issue of the Chinese newspaper The Red Flag, signed by the Chinese Defense Minister.

[The following remarks were published]: 'the forces which can trigger a world war are the USSR and the US', 'the hegemonic position of US imperialists weakened, while the USSR morphed from a socialist country to a social-imperialist country,' 'the USSR is on the offensive while the US is on the defensive in their struggle for the division of the world [into spheres of influence,] etc.

We would like to add that it is the second time this year that the Korean press published [excerpts] from the Chinese press whose contents criticize the USSR.

We will continue to look into this matter.

Signed

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