'Protect the momentum' and seize opportunities offered by latest interKorean talks, urges UN chief

Welcoming the progress in the latest talks between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea, the United Nations Secretary-General has highlighted the need to utilize the opportunities it offers to find a peaceful path forward.

"The Secretary-General is encouraged by the advances made during the latest inter-Korean talks, particularly the agreement to hold a summit meeting soon, to further reduce military tensions, and to discuss denuclearization in future talks with all relevant parties," read a <u>statement</u> attributable <u>Secretary-General António Guterres</u>' spokesperson.

"He stresses the need to protect the momentum and seize the opportunities available to find a peaceful path forward."

The statement also noted that the latest developments are further steps forward in laying the foundation for the resumption of sincere dialogue, leading to sustainable peace and denuclearization on the Korean Peninsula.

"The Secretary-General reiterates the commitment of the United Nations to further assist in this process with the governments concerned," it added.