FCDO Minister statement on North Korea missile tests

Press release

FCDO Minister of State, Anne-Marie Trevelyan, condemns the latest missile tests by North Korea on 2 November.



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The UK condemns North Korea's launch of an unprecedented number of missiles on 2 November. We call on the regime to immediately stop all activity that violates UN Security Council Resolutions. This is the first time a ballistic missile has been fired so close to South Korean territorial waters and demonstrates North Korea's reckless actions.

The UK continues to work closely with our partners to urge North Korea to return to dialogue and take credible steps towards denuclearisation in a complete, verifiable and irreversible manner. We call on North Korea to prioritise the well-being of its people instead of the unlawful pursuit of nuclear and ballistic missile programmes.

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Made with Care campaign highlights

opportunities for careers in care

- Second year of domestic recruitment campaign 'Made with Care' kicks off today encouraging people to apply for a career in the adult social care sector.
- Opportunities available for diverse range of rewarding jobs with development and training.

The 'Made with Care' campaign is returning for a second year and highlights the wide range of opportunities available to build a career in care and help others to live happy, healthy, fulfilling lives.

Running until March 2023, campaign advertising will appear to millions across video on demand platforms such as ITV Hub, Sky Go and All 4; radio and digital audio channels such as Spotify and social media and digital channels like Facebook and Instagram, to direct job seekers to www.adultsocialcare.co.uk.

Here, people will be able to find everything they need to research a career in adult social care and, crucially, search and apply for adult social care jobs near them — with support to perfect their CV and advice on interviews.

Health and Social Care Secretary Steve Barclay said:

Working in social care is rewarding, inspiring and provides career opportunities with a range of roles you may have never considered.

To get started, you just need to have the right qualities including kindness and compassion to support people's loved ones and make a difference.

This government is committed to a sustainable social care sector and anyone can play a part by joining this incredible workforce.

Minister for Care Helen Whately said:

I want to help care providers recruit the dedicated staff they need. There are great opportunities to join one of the country's most important workforces.

Care workers do such an important job — a job that can also be truly rewarding.

We know in government we can help care providers get the message out about the opportunities in the sector. I hope this campaign will help boost the social care workforce across the country.

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social care from the government, there has never been a better time for people with the right qualities to seize the opportunity and begin a career in care.

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Chief Nurse for Adult Social Care, Deborah Sturdy, said:

I am proud to be working in social care as it provides so many diverse opportunities for registered nurses and the incredible professional care workforce who make a difference to people's lives.

You will meet and work with wonderful people and be a part of something bigger than yourself.

Come and join the adult social care workforce. It is the best decision I ever made.

With advertising planned across England, the 'Made with Care' campaign will reach millions of people this winter, highlighting the amazing work staff across the adult social care sector do and celebrating the way they empower the people they support — shining a light on the emotional rewards of the role to inspire more people to consider a job in adult social care.

Opportunities are available today and training is provided. Flexible working patterns are often available, making it the perfect career choice for those with other commitments.

Harry Beckwith, Support Worker said:

I wanted to come into care because I just enjoy seeing people happy. I love making them smile.

I decided to work in care with adults just because I wanted to explore what I could do, what experiences I could get, and learn from those I care for as much as they learn from me.

If someone told me they wanted to go and work in care I'd say go straight for it. Honestly, it's the most rewarding job I've ever had. It's just nice to help someone who needs help.

Social care is a top priority for the government, backed by £5.4billion and the 10-year People at the Heart of Care plan to reform social care so there has never been a better time to join the sector.

Recognising the current challenges faced by the social care sector and local government, the government has also committed £500million to support discharge from hospitals. This funding will ease pressure and build a stronger NHS to ensure the people of our country get the care they need and deserve.

Oonagh Smyth, Chief Executive Officer for Skills for Care, said:

Skills for Care is excited to see the next phase of the Made with Care campaign progress.

Our <u>'State of the adult social care sector and workforce in England' report</u> released in October has really highlighted the recruitment and retention challenges the adult social care sector is facing right now, with vacancy levels having increased 52% in the past year to the highest rate on record. At the same time the number of filled posts has fallen, this is the first drop in the number of care workers ever.

We need to talk more about the rewarding and fulfilling career that adult social care can offer, and we hope the Made with Care campaign will raise awareness of the value and variety of a career in care and the important contribution that the 1.5 million people currently working in adult social care are making to our communities.

Skills for Care hosted a webinar in October for social care providers to find out more about the Made with Care campaign and how it can support them, and we'll be continuing to support the campaign as it moves into its next phase.

An ADASS spokesperson said:

The recruitment campaign Made with Care is so important in showing the wide variety of roles across adult social care, as well as just how meaningful and essential the work is.

It's vital that adult social care is seen as an enriching career, comprised of a talented workforce making it possible for us all to live the lives we want to live.

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Thank you, Mr President.

Let me join others in congratulating Gabon on an excellent Presidency and wish Ghana all the best for the month of November. I thank High Commissioner Grandi for his briefing and offer congratulations on the recent extension of his term by the General Assembly.

The United Kingdom commends the tireless efforts of UNHCR, as well as other humanitarian agencies, NGOs and host-nations, for everything they do to support those forced to flee their homes.

Climate change, conflict and the long-term fallout from the COVID19 pandemic have led to shocking and unprecedented levels of displacement as we've heard today. Over 300 million people in need of humanitarian assistance. More than 100 million forcibly displaced.

With this context in mind, we echo others' horror at President Putin's latest atrocities in Ukraine that are adding substantially to the humanitarian caseload: strikes on civilian targets, ahead of winter, serve no purpose than to spread terror.

And as we've heard from numerous interventions this morning, this unprovoked aggression has already displaced more than 14 million people and left almost 18 million in need of humanitarian assistance. It is also causing food insecurity across the planet.

The crisis in Ukraine is but one example of the need to address the drivers of displacement — the UN, with member state support, needs to focus on solutions to crises. From Ethiopia to Syria to Myanmar, we owe it to the millions of refugees and displaced, to find practical, long-term political answers to these prolonged crises.

Furthermore, this Council needs to continue to ensure that actors on the ground meet their responsibilities — this means adherence to International Humanitarian Law, ensuring that refugee returns are voluntary, safe and dignified, and allowing humanitarian workers to safely carry out their work unhindered. And in this context, the United Kingdom supports the initiative of the US and Ireland to secure a horizontal sanctions exemption for humanitarian workers.

Finally, the United Kingdom is taking life-saving action. The UK International Development Strategy sets out our long-standing commitment to

life-saving humanitarian work. We intend to contribute over \$3 billion to humanitarian needs, globally, over the next three years.

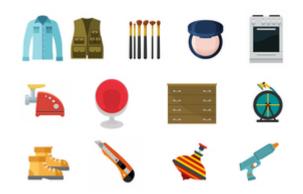
As we look ahead to the Global Refugee Forum next year, this Council needs to place the plight of refugees and forcibly displaced at the centre of its decision-making. Without long-term solutions, the humanitarian caseload will only continue to escalate.

Thank you.

OPSS intervenes on dangerous Glen Dimplex gas cookers

News story

OPSS intervenes on more than 66,000 dangerous Belling, New World and Stoves gas cookers which pose a carbon monoxide poisoning risk.



The Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS) has intervened to ensure that more than 66,000 dangerous Belling, New World and Stoves gas cookers which pose a carbon monoxide poisoning risk will be made safe through a modification programme.

Parent company Glen Dimplex Home Appliances (GDHA) has agreed to visit every home containing the affected cookers, to implement a technical modification to the appliance so that operation of the gas grill is safe. The company is required to contact all affected users. Information about the models and consumer advice are available on the company's websites:

Belling

Stoves

OPSS analysed product safety data which revealed certain models of Glen Dimplex gas cookers with a separate gas grill have an inherent carbon

monoxide risk putting consumers in danger. Affected cookers do not comply with the General Product Safety Regulations 2005 and the Gas Appliances (Enforcement) and Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2018.

Until their cookers are made safe, GDHA and OPSS are advising those using the affected models to ensure they always leave the grill door open when in operation.

Office for Product Safety and Standards Chief Executive Graham Russell said:

"The government's top priority is to ensure the safety of the British public. Glen Dimplex has agreed to undertake this modification programme following our investigation. OPSS will monitor the programme to ensure it is carried out successfully. Until their products are made safe, we would urge users to ensure the door is always kept open when the grill is in operation."

Details on the cooker models affected by the safety issue can be found on the Government's own Product Safety Report for the modification programme

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100 most notable UK IP cases added to WIPO global database

Initially, the 100 most notable UK IP cases will be added, with provision for the database to be regularly updated.

By making information about judicial decisions more accessible across jurisdictions worldwide, the WIPO database aims strengthen and inform courts' decision-making processes in IP cases. It also helps identify where national approaches to common IP questions converge or contrast, making it a powerful tool for research and policy development and a valuable resource for attorneys.

The UK's membership comes at a time when demand for its judicial expertise continues to grow internationally, with the UK recently enjoying success deploying senior IP judges to China to share best practice and insights with counterparts.

It is hoped that the UK's participation in the WIPO Lex-Judgments database will be a highly pragmatic tool to help spread UK practice and expertise with global partners, while also helping to manage demand on UK judges' time for international engagements.

The initiative is supported by the Right Honourable Lord Justice Birss (Lord Justice of Appeal), and the Honourable Justice Meade (High Court Judge,

Chancery Division).

The Intellectual Property Office's interim CEO Adam Williams said:

This is a fantastic moment in the UK's IP timeline. Our IP courts have a global reputation for delivering high-quality judgments, that establish precedent or persuasive interpretation of IP law. Our presence in WIPO's Lex-Judgments database will showcase important UK IP judgments to a multilateral audience. This will help highlight and share UK best practice, providing insight into how UK courts tackle complex disputes.

We hope that alongside those from other WIPO members, the UK's contributions will provide assistance and guidance, helping to support a stable and well-functioning global IP system.

Marco Aleman, WIPO Assistant Director General, IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector said.

WIPO Lex-Judgments supports cross-border awareness of the leading issues in IP disputes in a rapidly evolving global innovation landscape.

Thanks to this agreement with the UK Intellectual Property Office and The National Archives, we are further expanding this resource to 28 jurisdictions and over 1,000 freely accessible judgments, allowing judges, lawyers, students and others to better understand the latest jurisprudential developments in key IP issues.

You can access the WIPO Lex-Judgments database.

- the UK's membership follows the signing of an MoU between WIPO and the UK IPO in Geneva that will govern the sharing of UK judgments data with WIPO
- the initial list of 100 most notable judgments was compiled by The Honourable Mr Justice Meade (High Court Judge, Chancery Division). The initiative is also supported by the Right Honourable Lord Justice Birss (Lord Justice of Appeal)
- UK Court judgments are not routinely stored on a government owned database. The IPO has worked successfully with the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) to influence the development of a new national database, which provides an appropriate resource to share judgments with WIPO
- the new database of all England & Wales court judgments was launched alongside www.legislation.gov.uk on the 19th April 2022. This is a critical step towards a more open, transparent and equitable system that

demonstrates HMG's data-driven reforms. It also demonstrates the positive impact of the IPO on wider HMG services $\,$