

UN chief Guterres condemns latest ballistic missile launch by DPRK

29 August 2017 – United Nations [Secretary-General](#) António Guterres has condemned the latest ballistic missile launch by the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), in violation of relevant UN Security Council resolutions.

The launch undermines regional security and stability and efforts to create space for dialogue, said a [statement](#) issued by UN spokesperson Eri Kaneko.

According to press reports, early Tuesday morning, the DPRK launched a ballistic missile that travelled some 2,700 kilometers, flying over Japan before crashing into the Pacific Ocean.

The Secretary-General calls on the Government of the DPRK to fully comply with its international obligations and to work to re-open channels of communication, the statement said, adding that Mr. Guterres remains in close contact with all parties concerned.

Meanwhile, the UN Security Council is scheduled to meet urgently on the issue this afternoon at the request of Japan, the United States and the Republic of Korea.