

Statement on Nuclear Test by North Korea  
(Provisional Translation)

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1. North Korea (DPRK) yesterday conducted a nuclear test which is the sixth in its history and the largest ever. This constitutes a clear violation to series of resolutions adopted by the Security Council including the resolution 2321 that took place on the 30<sup>th</sup> of last November.
2. Such an act is in defiance of Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty and it is at the same time a serious and pressing threat to international peace and security and a challenge to the effort of the international community to promote nuclear disarmament and secure nuclear non-proliferation. The Japan Atomic Energy Commission (JAEC) condemns such an act more strongly than ever before.
3. The JAEC strongly demands North Korea to abandon its nuclear weapon program immediately completely and return to the non-proliferation regime.
4. The promotion of nuclear disarmament and the strengthening of the international nuclear non-proliferation regime is indispensable for the international society's pursuit of peaceful use, research and development of nuclear energy for the betterment of human welfare. Therefore, the JAEC has consistently supported such efforts being made by the United Nations and the International Atomic Energy Agency, among others, and held that Japan should take a leading role in such efforts.