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Note by the Secretary-General

Summary

The Secretary-General has the honour to present to the members of the General Assembly the report on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea submitted by the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights, Marzuki Darusman, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 66/174.

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** The late submission of the report was due to operational issues involving staff turnover.



Report of the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea

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