

## North Korea Slams US Hostility. Donald Invites Kim to the White House

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Last week, North Korean leader Kim Jong-un and Trump met at the DMZ separating both Koreas.

DJT became the first sitting US president to set foot on North Korean territory, a symbolic gesture only while unacceptably hardline US policies against the country remain unchanged.

Following their meeting, lasting about an hour, Kim said he'd meet with Trump anytime. DJT invited Kim to the White House, saying it would take time to arrange a visit.

Both leaders get along with each other amicably. Two summits and a third meeting achieved nothing toward changing hardline US policies toward the DPRK.

When summits or other bilateral talks are held between Washington and ruling authorities of nations it doesn't control, one-sided unacceptable demands are made in return for hollow promises.

Time and again, when agreements are made they're breached by the US.

Bush/Cheney renounced the 1970 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) and asserted the right to develop and test new weapons of mass destruction.

Their regime abandoned the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty (ABM) because it expressly forbids development, testing and deployment of missile defenses like its Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) and related programs.

They refused to adopt a proposed Fissile Material Cutoff Treaty (FMCT) that would prohibit further weapons-grade uranium and plutonium production and prevent new nuclear weapons to be added to present stockpiles.

They spurned efforts for nuclear disarmament to advance WMDs and retain current arsenals.

They rescinded and subverted the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention (BWC) to illegally develop new biowarfare weapons.

They renounced the 1989 US Biological Weapons Anti-Terrorism Act, prohibiting "the Development, Production, and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin

Weapons."

Trump abandoned the JCPOA nuclear deal and INF Treaty. Time and again in dealing with other nations, the US pledges one thing, then does something entirely different, its word hardly ever its bond, how all hegemons operate, by their own rules, no others.

All of the above shows Washington can never be trusted. North Korea felt its oppressive sting time and again since Harry Truman's early 1950s aggression.

Earlier US promises made were breached — why dealing with its ruling authorities fails time and again.

An ulterior motive drives Trump's outreach to North Korea and willingness to meet with Iranian President Rouhani anytime without preconditions.

He's jealous of Obama's Nobel Peace Prize, knows it's awarded to warrior presidents abhorrent of peace, and wants one for himself.

In his heart of hearts, he scorns peace, equity, and justice, is uncaring about the welfare of ordinary people everywhere, and seeks relationships with other nations benefitting US interests at their expense.

His sanctions war and other hostile actions show contempt for North Korea, Iran, and other nations.

His outreach for talks with Kim and Iran's Rouhani is head-fake deception. Both leaders know he and other hardline US officials can never be trusted.

Hostility and betrayal defined US policies toward the KRPK and Islamic Republic throughout their history.

Trump heads the most extremist right-wing regime in US history, at war on humanity at home and abroad.

There's virtually no prospect whatever for anything approaching normal US relations with all countries it doesn't control.

It's why diplomacy with the US is a waste of time, a serial lawbreaker operating exclusively by its own rules — breaching international laws, treaties and conventions, including its own Constitution and statute laws.

Good faith outreach by other countries to the US isn't reciprocated.

With the days earlier Kim/Trump meeting fresh in the minds of both leaders, North Korea's UN mission denounced the US as "hellbent on hostile acts," suggesting a short-lived DMZ thaw now reversed.

The press statement responded to a Trump regime accusation that Pyongyang breached a cap on refined oil imports, along with a letter by the US, Britain, France, and Germany to all UN member states to enforce unacceptable sanctions on the DPRK.

Its UN mission said

"(w)hat can't be overlooked is the fact that this joint letter game was carried out by the permanent mission of the United States to the UN under instruction of the State Department, on the very same day when President Trump proposed for the summit meeting."

It "speaks to the reality that the United States is practically more and more hell-bent on the hostile acts against the DPRK, though talking about the DPRK-US dialogue."

"It is quite ridiculous for the United States to continue to behave obsessed with sanctions and pressure campaign against the DPRK, considering sanctions as a panacea for all problems."

Enforcing them against North Korea, a nation at peace with its neighbors, threatening none anywhere, aim to crush its economy and immiserate its people.

They're instruments of maliciousness. Improved DPRK relations with the US are unattainable as long as economic sanctions remain in place.

Refusal by the Trump regime to remove or even soften them shows further Kim/Trump talks will be just as futile as earlier ones.

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