

US Nuclear Bomber Lands in South Korea for the First Time in 30 Years

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A B-52H Stratofortress will land in South Korea for the first time in three decades sometime this week. The US claims the bomber's mission is to promote peace on the Korean Peninsula. However, North Korea has warned that American military activity in the region has pushed the situation to the brink of a nuclear conflict.

On Monday, Maj. Rachel Buitrago, spokeswoman for the 7th Air Force at Osan Air Base south of Seoul, said.

"These flyovers, air demonstrations and static displays, including the landing for the B-52 on the peninsula, is part of our continued pledge to promote peace, stability and prosperity on the Korean Peninsula."

Since taking office, **President Joe Biden** has ramped up military activity in East Asia with the goal of intimidating North Korea and China. Washington has inked agreements with Seoul to deploy more arms platforms to South Korea that are capable of launching nuclear weapons.

Just before the Pentagon announced that the B-52 – which is capable of dropping nuclear bombs - will land at an unnamed South Korean airfield, Washington sent the USS Ronald Reagan aircraft carrier to a South Korean port.

At an address to the UN General Assembly last month, Kim Song, Pyongyang's representative at the body, blasted Washington for pushing the situation to the brink of nuclear war.

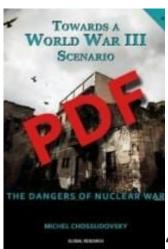
"Owing to the reckless and continued hysteria of nuclear showdown on the part of the US and its following forces, the year 2023 has been recorded as an extremely dangerous year that the military security situation in and around the Korean peninsula was driven closer to the brink of a nuclear war," he said. "Due to [Seoul's] sycophantic and humiliating policy of depending on outside forces, the Korean peninsula is in a hair-trigger situation with imminent danger of nuclear war."

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