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**Summary:**

The Embassy of Romania in Belgrade assesses the "tense" situation in Korea.

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To: Comrade Ion Ciubotaru

The North Korean ambassador to Belgrade told me that the situation in Korea is extraordinarily tense, there being the danger of a war breaking out at any given moment in time. In the past month and a half, provocations along the DMZ intensified and a large volume of military equipment and weapons were concentrated in the area.

As usual, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea government showed a maximum of patience and calm, but the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is ready to face any situation imaginable.

The North Korean ambassador made a point out of underlining that Romania supported and continues to support, with all the means available, the just cause of the Korean people, its aspiration for reunification, but the same thing cannot be said of other socialist countries.

Signed: Virgil Cazacu