

South Korea urges North Korea to abandon nuclear weapons, seek talks

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United Nations: South Korean President Moon Jae-in today urged North Korea to abandon its nuclear weapons and come to negotiation table.

President Moon Jae-in of South Korea addresses the UN General Assembly

The President also voiced support at the United Nations for stronger sanctions in response to the North's recent weapons tests.

Moon said that the North "must immediately cease making reckless choices that could lead to its own isolation and downfall and choose the path of dialogue."

He said that the North Korean nuclear issues need to be "managed stably" to prevent a spike in tensions and military clashes.

The liberal South Korean leader also offered a message of peace in his address on Thursday at the annual gathering of world leaders at the UN. The President added that he wanted North Korea to attend next year's Winter Olympics to be hosted by South Korea.

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