

DPRK calls for lifting of May 24 sanctions



PYONGYANG, March 24 (Xinhua) -- The Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) on Tuesday reiterated its call for South Korea to lift the May 24 sanctions imposed by the Lee Myung-bak administration after the sinking of South Korea's Cheonan warship in March 2010.

The Policy Department of the National Defense Commission clarified Pyongyang's stand on the sanctions in a statement carried by the KCNA, urging Seoul to "immediately lift the ill-famed 'step'" because it is "based on the fictitious story about the north's involvement in the sinking."

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