



ICAO Council reiterates its concern over DPRK missile testing

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MONTREAL, 15 March 2022 – In light of its continued missile testing in international airspace, the ICAO Council is again urging the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea (DPRK) to act in accordance with the *Convention on International Civil Aviation* (Chicago Convention) and comply with applicable ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs).

As an ICAO Member State, the DPRK is expected to notify adjacent countries of any activity or incident arising from its territory which may pose risks to nearby civil aviation routes or operations. This would include matters such as volcanic ash clouds from local eruptions, or aerial testing which may affect civil aviation.

The ICAO Governing Body reiterated its concern after recent episodes involving unannounced missiles launches which pose a serious risk to international civil aviation. The tests are also in defiance of United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1718, 2270 and 2321.

As part of its recent decision, the Council has requested the Secretariat to continue to actively monitor the situation.



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