

# Kim breaks agreements with the US and announces a 'new strategic weapon'

Despite the latest threats, President Donald J. Trump believes that the North Korean leader will respect his commitments on denuclearization. Kim condemns joint US-South Korea military exercises and other sanctions. "There will never be denuclearization on the Korean Peninsula."

Seoul (AsiaNews / Agencies) - North Korean leader Kim Jong-un said he saw no reason to stick to his commitment to suspend long-range nuclear and missile tests and that soon Pyongyang will showcase a "new strategic weapon".

State media reported yesterday that Kim also argued that talks with the United States are stalled because of Washington's political interests. Despite the latest threats, U.S. President Donald J. Trump believes that the North Korean leader will respect the denuclearization agreements. While Trump has remained silent, United Nations (UN) secretary-general Antonio Guterres says he is "deeply concerned" by Kim's statements.

The latter, however, seems to leave room for negotiations, since during the last **meeting of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party** it argued that how much the North will strengthen its "nuclear deterrent" will depend on the future attitude of the United States. The leader explained that suspending tests on nuclear weapons and intercontinental ballistic missiles (ICBM) was part of his efforts to build confidence with Washington, which however responded with joint military exercises with South Korea and other sanctions against Pyongyang.

According to Kim, "the real intent of the US is to pursue its political and diplomatic interests while wasting time under the banner of dialogue and negotiations; at the same time, keep sanctions "to weaken North Korea. The dictator also accused the United States of taking a "brigand attitude" in the negotiations, through demands that damage "the fundamental interests of our

state". Although the lifting of sanctions is necessary for economic development, the North "will never be able to sell its dignity," said Kim.

The North Korean leader Kim concluded that "there will never be denuclearization on the Korean peninsula" and that the North will continue to develop strategic weapons "until the United States resumes its hostile policy towards North Korea and a mechanism is built. for the maintenance of lasting peace ".

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