

# North Korea claims successful launch of spy satellite

**North Korea claims it has successfully put a military spy satellite into space, drawing condemnation from neighbouring countries.**

State news agency KCNA said the satellite, named Malligyong-1, had accurately entered orbit.

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un observed the launch, the agency added.

Japan's prime minister, Fumio Kishida, decried its launch, which flew over the country's Okinawa prefecture and on towards the Pacific Ocean.

The White House described the step as a "brazen violation" of multiple United Nations resolutions.

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