

NORTH KOREA

June 24, 2020

Global Situational Awareness

On June 16th, 2020, North Korea destroyed the Inter-Korean Liaison Office in Kaesong, North Korea. The office has been vacant for several months due to COVID-19 concerns, but in the absence of formal diplomatic relations, has served as a de facto embassy for almost two years to facilitate communication between North Korea and South Korea. This move by the North Korean government was in retaliation for North Korean defectors in the South sending anti-regime leaflets across the border by balloons into North Korea.

Following the demolition of the Liaison Office, elevated tensions have been marked by increased rhetoric and active posturing. Kim Jong-un's sister, Kim Yo-jong, has also had a much more visible role in this geopolitical discourse. As tensions seemed poised for further exacerbation, Kim Jong-un emerged from silence to try to defuse the dialogue. Some noteworthy material captured recently in Babel Channels follows:

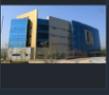
Rising Tensions

Babel Channels collects from a variety of sources regarding the key developments on the Korean Peninsula, such as the recent demolition of the Liaison Office, subsequent political machinations, and active agitation measures using leaflets and loudspeakers.

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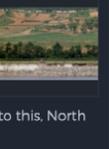
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North Korea reinstalls loudspeaker in South Korea... The government seems to be setting up countermeasures (total)

... It was reported on the 22nd that the Daenam loudspeaker, which had been demolished in accordance with the Panmunjom Declaration Agreement, was being re-installed throughout the DMZ. Prior to this, North Korea broke down the inter-Korean relationship...



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Commercial satellite imagery of the Kaesong Industrial Zone shows the inter-Korean liaison office remains standing after a massive explosion tore through it at 2:50 p.m. (KST) on June 16. Imagery from June 19 shows significant damage to one section of the roof and a debris field around 100 meters to the north and south of the building.



Kim Yo-jung

Babel Channels captures references and activity related to Kim Yo-jong, the sister to Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un, especially her increased political presence coincident with the recent absences of her brother from public view over the last several months.



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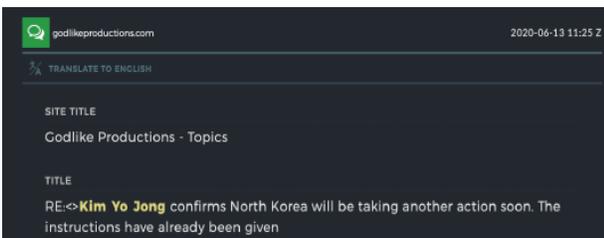
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The rise of North Korea's **Kim Yo Jong**

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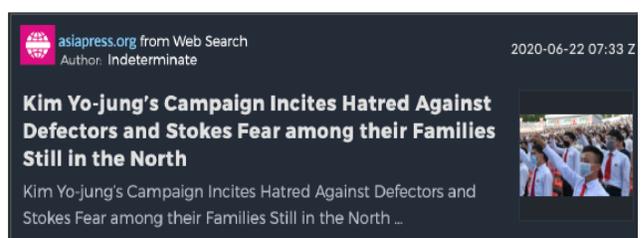
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A Possible De-Escalation

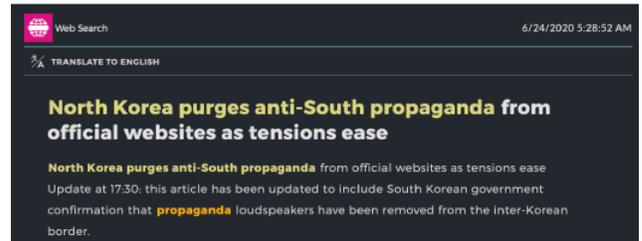
In late breaking events, Babel Channels also captured the reappearance of Kim Jong-un on June 24th who appears to be walking back from his sister's comments and moving away from further escalation.



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Kim Jong-un instructs the Central Military Commission's preliminary meeting to "hold off military action plans against South Korea"

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Update at 17:30: this article has been updated to include South Korean government confirmation that **propaganda** loudspeakers have been removed from the inter-Korean border.

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