SUMMARY: (U) THE KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY AND THE KOREAN PEOPLE'S SECURITY GUARDS CONSTRUCTED A 2,800 METER TUNNEL AT AN UNIDENTIFIED MINE IN 2002 NEAR U'IJU ON THE SINO-KOREAN BORDER. THE TUNNEL CONSISTS OF A VERTICAL SHAFT OF 100 TO 200 METERS AND A HAULAGE DRIFT WITH A TOTAL LENGTH OF 3,000 TO 4,000 METERS. ENCLOSURES.

TEXT: (U) 1. (U) THE KOREAN PEOPLE'S ARMY (KPA) AND THE KOREAN PEOPLE'S SECURITY GUARDS (KPSG) OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA (DPRK) CONSTRUCTED A TUNNEL AT AN UNIDENTIFIED (U/I) MINE
IN 2000. THE TUNNEL CONSISTS OF A VERTICAL SHAFT OF 100 TO 200 METERS (M) AND A HAULAGE DRIFT WITH A TOTAL LENGTH OF 3,000 TO 4,000 M. THE U/I MINE PRODUCES IRON SULFIDE. TAESAN VILLAGE IN U'IJU COUNTY HAS IRON SULFIDE DEPOSITS.

2. (U) TUNNEL (ENCLOSURE 1)
THE KPA 593TH UNIT (KOREAN -- KUNBUDAE), 667TH UNIT, 744TH UNIT, AND THE KPSG 7433TH UNIT CONSTRUCTED A HAULAGE DRIFT AND A VERTICAL SHAFT WITH A TOTAL LENGTH OF 3,000 TO 4,000 M AT THE U/I MINE. THE MINE BEARS THE NAME OF "DECEMBER 5".

3. (U) IRON SULFIDE MINE DEVELOPMENT
DUE TO THE SHARP DECLINE IN OPERATIONS OF IRON SULFIDE MINES, THE DPRK EXPERIENCED DIFFICULTY IN PRODUCTION OF SULFURIC ACID. TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM, IT DEVELOPED THE U/I MINE WHICH BEARS THE NAME OF "DECEMBER 5".

4. (U) ORE DEPOSITS
TAESAN VILLAGE (KOREAN -- NI) IN U'IJU COUNTY (KOREAN -- GUN), NORTH P'YONGAN PROVINCE, HAS IRON SULFIDE ORE DEPOSITS. ITS ORE BODIES HAVE STRIKE LENGTHS OF 250 TO 2,800 M, AND THICKNESSES OF 2 TO 25 M, AND PRIMARILY CONSIST OF PYRITE, MAGNETIC PYRITE, MARCASITE, LIMONITE, CHALCOPYRITE, AND ARSENOPYRITE.

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DISSEMM: (U) FIELD -- NONE.
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