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FEEDBACK

Press Trump to maintain peace

As a result of diplomatic initiative by South Korea and a positive response from North Korea, a summit between their leaders is about to happen. This builds on promising overtures from North Korea, including announcing a freeze on its nuclear and missile testing, closing its nuclear test site, pursuit of a peace treaty to finally end the Korean War, and openness to denuclearization of the Korean peninsula.

However, peacefully resolving international disputes requires engaging in robust, sustained diplomacy. The Iran Nuclear Agreement took 12 years of diplomatic engagement, capped by two years of intensive negotiations. President Donald Trump must recertify that agreement, rather than withdraw and undermine the credibility of America's commitments.

Trump needs to finalize his follow-up Korean summit, instead of suggesting he might not go, or walk away if there aren't quick results. Diplomacy can prevent war with North Korea, but it takes tenacious diplomacy to get a final agreement.

I urge readers to call their senators and U.S. representative at (202) 224-3121 to press Trump to keep the Iran

Nuclear Agreement, and to intensify America's diplomatic capacity for persistent diplomacy. That is the only path to preventing catastrophic war by peacefully resolving nuclear issues.

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