



**The Institute for
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presents:**

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"UN and Human Rights in DPRK"

The United Nations is currently in the fourth cycle of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR), a process that takes place every five years to examine the human rights situation in UN member states. The Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) is being reviewed by the UN Human Rights Council's Working Group (Troika) and plenary sessions in 2024 and 2025. Regarding the UPR's recommendations for human rights improvements, DPRK rejected all recommendations in 2009, but accepted 114 recommendations in May 2014 and 199 recommendations in 2019. The DPRK's national report for the fourth UPR cycle has been reviewed during the 47th session of the UPR Working Group from November 4-15, 2024. The review's outcome will be reported to the UN Human Rights Council in 2025. This lecture provides an overview of UN human rights mechanisms and the Universal Periodic Review and discusses the DPRK's human rights record and potential avenues for improvement.

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