

**REPUBLIC OF KOREA**  
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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the United Nations, and has the honour to inform the latter that the Government of the Republic of Korea has decided to present its candidature for the UN Human Rights Council at the elections to be held on 9 May 2006.

The Republic of Korea attaches the utmost importance to the advancement of human rights as a fundamental universal value. Along with consistent efforts toward enhancing human rights standards at the domestic level, the Republic of Korea is firmly committed to contributing to the promotion and protection of human rights around the world.

As an active member of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights since 1993, the Republic of Korea welcomes the launch of the Human Rights Council and hopes to continue to play a constructive role in the advancement of human rights and fundamental freedoms as well as in the establishment and development of the Council in accordance with the high expectations that the member states of the UN place upon its noble mission.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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