
NORTH KOREA FIRES TWO MISSILES AS US CONDEMNS FLURRY OF TESTS

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Nuclear-armed North Korea fired what appeared to be two short-range ballistic missiles on Thursday (Jan 27), drawing condemnation from the United States for what would be the sixth round of missile tests this month.

The series of tests is among the most missiles ever launched by North Korea in a month, analysts said, as it begins 2022 with a dizzying display of new and operational weapons.

South Korea's Joint Chiefs of Staff said it had detected the launch of what it presumed were two ballistic missiles at about 8am (2300 GMT) from near Hamhung, on the east coast of North Korea. They travelled for about 190 km to an altitude of 20km, JCS added.

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