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## **S. KOREA, U.S. STRESS CLOSE COLLABORATION AGAINST N.K. CYBERTHREATS DURING WORKING GROUP TALKS**

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*Diplomats from South Korea and the United States underscored close bilateral collaboration to counter North Korea's "malicious" cyber activities meant to fund its weapons of mass destruction (WMD) programs during a working group meeting in Washington this week, the State Department said Thursday.*

Lee Jun-il, director general for North Korean nuclear affairs at Seoul's foreign ministry, and U.S. Deputy Special Representative for North Korea Lyn Debevoise led the sixth session of the working group on North Korean cyberthreats Wednesday and Thursday.

"The meeting underscored the continued close collaboration between the U.S. and ROK governments to disrupt the DPRK's ability to generate illicit revenue through malicious cyber activity, which it uses to fund its unlawful WMD and ballistic missile programs," the department said in a media note.

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