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## **SOUTH KOREA'S PRESIDENT PLEDGES SUPPORT FOR NORTH KOREA-US TALKS**

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South Korean President Lee Jae Myung on Thursday reaffirmed his commitment to actively support potential talks between North Korea and the US this year to help revive long-stalled diplomacy on the Korean Peninsula.

In his New Years address, President Lee said his government would work to facilitate the resumption of dialogue between Washington and Pyongyang while continuing efforts to restore inter-Korean relations, according to Yonhap News.

He recalled summit talks held last year with US President Donald Trump, who expressed hope for renewed engagement with North Korean leader Kim Jong-un, a move Lee publicly backed.

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