

August 1992... South Korea has lifted the six-month old restrictions on trips to North Korea by South Korean entrepreneurs to discuss economic exchanges. This decision is designed in part to foster a good atmosphere for next month's eighth round of inter-Korean PM talks in Pyongyang. (29th) [KJDA-W]

The 8th round of the inter-Korean Nuclear Control Commission is held in Panmunjom, but the two sides fail to make substantial progress in negotiations to work out arrangements for mutual inspections of nuclear installations. (31st) VP

A team of the IAEA officials led by Wily Theis, a section chief in the IAEA Safeguards Department, arrives in Pyongyang for the 3rd ad hoc inspections. (31st) VP

September 1992: Russian Ambassador to Seoul Alexander Panov called for diplomatic recognition of North Korea by the US and Japan to complete cross recognition of the two Koreas by four surrounding powers. (3rd) [KJDA-W]

Dissident Kim Nak Jung arrested in South Korea on 7 Sept. on suspicion of spying for North Korea for the past 36 years. [FEER-B, Sept 17]

South Korean Prime Minister Chun Wok Shik led a 40 member delegation to North Korea for talks on family reunions and economic exchanges. Prospects for agreement look slim due to the North's refusal to accept bilateral inspections of nuclear facilities. [FEER-B, Sept. 17]

The prime ministers of S. & N. Korea signed and put into effect three agreements to implement an inter-Korean basic pact signed late last year. The agreement on non-aggression, reconciliation and exchange, however does not include many fundamental and controversial issues such as the recognition of each other's govt in the political area and prohibition of arms buildup along the DMZ. (17th) [KJDA-W]

Speaking before the UN General Assembly, President Roh Tae Woo urged North Korea to submit to inter-Korean nuclear inspections as soon as possible. Roh also proposed an international forum for lasting peace in Northeast Asia among all countries concerned, including the US and China. (22nd) [KJDA-W]