

China working with US on 'North Korea problem', says Trump

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Washington: Amid increasing tensions and heated rhetoric in the region, President Donald Trump on Sunday said that China was working with the United States on "the North Korea problem".

File pic of Donald Trump and Xi Jinping

He said that Vice President Mike Pence, who is in South Korea as part of a 10-day tour of Asia, told American and South Korea service members that the North's latest "provocation", a failed missile launch shortly before his arrival in Seoul, laid bare the risks they face.

Meanwhile, Pence today visited a military base near the Demilitarized Zone separating North and South Korea. Pence arrived at Camp Bonifas in the morning for a briefing with military leaders.

He will also meet American troops stationed there.

The joint US-South Korean military camp is just outside the 2.5-mile-wide DMZ.

On the other hand, Trump's National Security Adviser, HR McMaster, cited Trump's recent decision to order missile strikes in Syria after a chemical attack blamed on the Assad government as a sign that the president "is clearly comfortable making tough decisions."

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