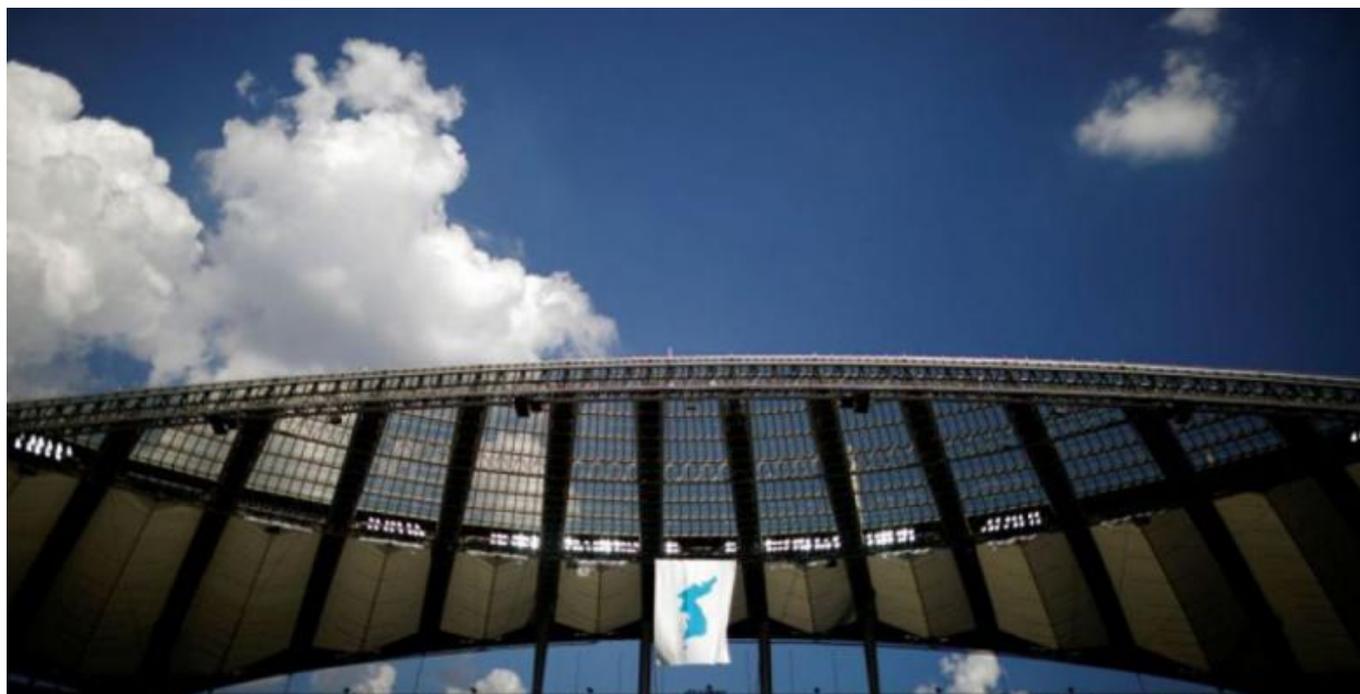


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South Korea Plans to Approach DPRK for Hosting 2032 Summer Olympics

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The Minister of Culture, Sports and Tourism of South Korea, Do Jong-hwan, declared here today that his country plans to run jointly with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) to host the 2032 Olympics.

According to the official, this initiative is likely to be put forward at the summit to be held this month by the leaders of both countries and the aim is to contribute to lasting peace on the Korean Peninsula.

Do even said that at this Wednesday's meeting in Tokyo with his counterparts from Japan and China he would propose the attendance of a unified Korean delegation to the 2020 Games to be held in the Japanese capital.

DPRK and South Korea marched in a single block under the Unification Flag and formed a women's hockey team during the PyeongChang-2018 Winter Olympics.

This was one of the agreements reached by their governments in early January to coordinate the North's attendance at the event, which was called the Peace Olympics for bringing Seoul and Pyongyang closer together.

Then, the two nations paraded again in the same way at the opening ceremony of the recent 2018 Asian Games in Jakarta, Indonesia.