

Test of a New-type of Underwater Attack Weapon System Conducted in the DPRK

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea conducted a new type of underwater attack weapon system from March 21 to 23. An unmanned underwater nuclear assault boat, which was launched for a drill in the waters off Riwon County, South Hamgyong Province, on the 21st, reached the target point in the waters in the Hongwon Bay set as a mock enemy port on the afternoon of the 23rd after cruising along an oval and pattern-8 course at an underwater depth of 80 to 150 metres for 59 hours and 12 minutes in the East Sea of Korea, and its test warhead exploded underwater.

This secret weapon which the country's defence science research institute has developed as an underwater strategic nuclear attack weapon system since 2012 was named Unmanned Underwater Nuclear Assault Boat "*Haeil*" at the Eighth Congress of the Workers' Party of Korea.

Its mission is to stealthily infiltrate into operational waters and make a super-powerful radioactive tsunami through underwater explosion to destroy warship groups and major operational ports of the enemy.

This weapon can be deployed at any coast and port or towed by a surface ship for operation.



Unmanned Underwater Nuclear Assault Boat *Haeil* cruising
underwater





Underwater explosion of a test warhead of the Unmanned Underwater Nuclear Assault Boat *Haeil*