

**[WA 03/2004 – North Korea web action closing text]**

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Thank you to all who took the time to participate in this action.

The action helped to raise awareness of the plight of the starving population in North Korea. However, Amnesty International continues to be concerned about the right to food of the people of North Korea. The North Korean government has not taken any steps to address this issue.

The North Korean people continue to starve and are punished for leaving the country 'illegally', while those who are forcibly returned face torture and imprisonment in appalling prison conditions. International food aid has decreased which has further worsened the already severe food crisis. North Korea continues to severely deny its citizens freedom of expression, association and movement.