DPRK CABINET ADOPTS 'BORDER REGION MANAGEMENT PROVISION'

On July 18, the North Korean Cabinet publication, "Democratic Choson', revealed that the cabinet had recently adopted the 'Border Bridge Trade Complex Management Activities Provision'.

According to the newspaper, the provision spells out to whom the rules and regulations must be applied regarding the orders and management activities of the border bridge trade complex. In addition, "by being adopted, the provision firmly creates regulations on foreign economic activities that cross over border bridges and has prepared the legal support for unceasing improvements of the border bridge trade complex's management activities."

North Korea relies on border trade with Chinese areas such as the city of Dandong, in Liaoning Province, and the Yanbian Korean Autonomous Prefecture, as cross-border trade shot up to over 200 million USD last year.