N Korea fires missile, develops N-warhead

AP, AFP, Tokyo/ Seoul

North Korea has fired a short-range missile into the Yellow Sea and is working to develop a nuclear warhead for a long-range missile yester-

NHK quoted officials as saying Tokyo was trying to verify a report from a third country that the communist nation fired a missile. NHK said the firing did not involve a ballistic missile.

South Korea's Yonhap news agency said two missiles were fired Monday. The Japanese daily Mainichi carried a similar report and said it was a routine military

Japanese officials said they could on long-range missile tests. not confirm the media reports.

declined to confirm or deny

"We cannot provide information regarding specific intelligence," said Marine Maj. Stewart spokesman. "However, our con-Japanese public broadcaster cerns about missile activities in North Korea are long-standing and well documented.

"North Korea's development, deployment and proliferation of missiles and missile-related materials, equipment and technology pose a threat to the region and the world," Upton said.

short-range missiles, including two in March. The country has been under a self-imposed moratorium

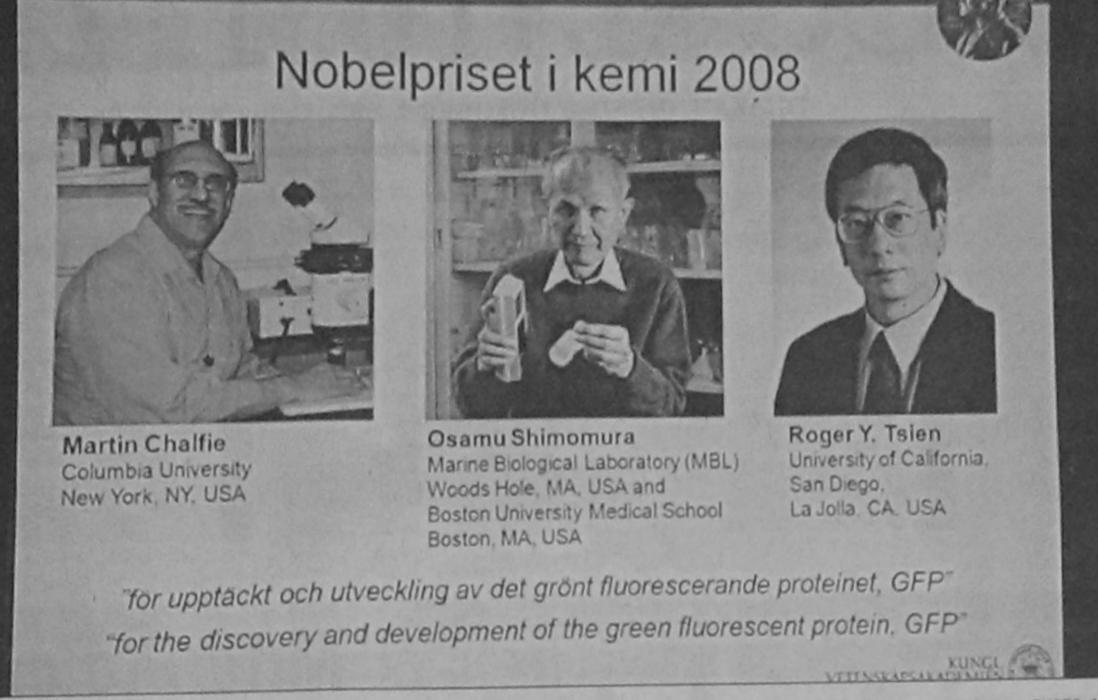
North Korea, which conducted In Washington, the Pentagon an underground nuclear test in 2006, stopped disabling its nuclear comments.

whether any missile firing had facilities in August, around the time reports say leader Kim Jong II suffered a stroke. North Korea denies that Kim is ill.

Meanwhile, North Korea is Upton, a Defence Department working to develop a nuclear warhead for a long-range missile, South Korea's top military officer said Wednesday, a day after the communist state tested its shortrange weaponry.

"I understand that North Korea is working to develop a small nuclear warhead which can be loaded into a missile," Kim Tae-Young, chairman of the joint North Korea often test-fires chiefs of staff, was quoted by Yonhap news agency as telling legislators.

Kim said he could not say whether the North had already succeeded in developing such a warhead. His office confirmed the



A picture from the TV screen at the Royal Swedish Academy is showing undated file pictures of the 2008 Nobel Chemistry laureates: Japan's Osamu Shimomura (C), and Americans Martin Chalfie (L) and Roger Y Tsien in Stockholm. The trio won the Nobel Chemistry Prize on Wednesday for the discovery and development of the green fluorescent protein (GFP), the Nobel jury said.

Turkish parliament convenes to vote on Iraq strikes

AFP, Ankara

Turkey's parliament was set to vote on extending the government's mandate to order strikes against Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq yesterday, days after 17 soldiers died in an attack near the border.

The lawmakers were expected to overwhelmingly back the motion giving the government another year-long mandate for cross-border operations against the outlawed Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK).

Apart from the Democratic Society Party, the country's main Kurdish political movement, all parties support striking at the rebels inside their Iraqi strongholds amid nationwide outrage over Friday's deadly attack on a routtherebels.

military outpost near the border. In what was the bloodiest fighting this year, a large group of rebels used the cover of heavy weapons fire from northern Iraq in their strike in Hakkari province.

Ensuing clashes killed twentythree militants, the army said.

Security operations intensified inside Turkey after the assault and four militants were killed in Sirnak province late Tuesday, while a wounded soldier died in hospital in Diyarbakir, officials said Wednesday.

Speaking ahead of the parliamentary vote, Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan stressed Turkey's right to self-defence and said Ankara would launch a crossborder incursion if necessary to



Republican presidential candidate Sen John McCain (R-AZ) (R) speaks during the debate with Democratic presidential candidate Sen Barack Obama (D-IL) (L) at the Town Hall Presidential Debate at Belmont

Mbeki loyalists threaten split from ANC

Russian forces in final

AFP, Johannesburg

Supporters of ousted South African cratic ideals.

"It seems that today we are serving divorce papers," former defence minister Mosiuoa Lekota told a packed press conference.

He accused ANC leaders of losing sight of the party's ideals

convention of comrades or something of that nature to determine how to proceed to defend democracy in this country," Lekota said.

leading logically in that direction." He added that the group would Mbeki and Zuma.

be prepared to contest elections next year, when ANC leader Jacob Zuma is expected to stand as the party's candidate for president.

Zuma said the party would meet with Lekota to try to bridge their differences, but warned there was a limit to how far the party would go.

"We are going to engage and it is important for us to do so," Zuma said, but at the same time warned against efforts "to destabilise the party."

The ANC ordered Mbeki to resign as president on September 20, the culmination of his longrunning power struggle with

Mbeki's resignation sparked "We intend within a short widespread rumours of a split within the party, whose ranks include business executives, union leaders and a variety of activists whose bonds were forged in the struggle against whiteminority rule.

But 14 years after bringing democracy to South Africa, the party's unity has frayed -- most dramatically in the feud between

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Territory Manager

Main Responsibilities:

To plan and achieve the secondary sales target through

▲ Distribution and productivity ▲ Coverage

▲ Visibility and merchandising. To train and to provide coaching for distributor team.

Distributor management.

DEnsure product quality and customer service. Monitoring of the house and market.

Administration and communication.

Requirements:

BBA/MBA from any recognized university. D Strong leadership abilities with excellent interpersonal and communication skills in verbal and written

English. Able to work under pressure independently with minimum supervision.

Independent, positive attitude, highly motivated, result oriented, target driven and able to work in a fluid and fast moving environment.

▶ Knowledge of FMCG sales and distribution process with 5-7 years working experience in relevant

Brand Manager

Main Responsibilities:

To build brand understanding and applies research findings to build consumer, customer and shopper opportunities and uses this do drive growth.

To lead and inspire multifunctional team to create a national Brand Marketing Plan which builds the brand in key channels and moves the brand equity towards the vision. To develops and executes launch plans using funds efficiently to achieve measurable objectives and

grow the business. To deploy communication content in at all relevant consumer and shopper touch points.

It To bring the brand to life at the point of purchase.

Denotantly evaluate performance of national support activities and in-store implementation against measurable objectives and relentlessly seeks ways to improve effectiveness of investments.

Requirements:

English.

BBA/MBA from any recognized University.

▶ Strong leadership abilities with excellent interpersonal and communication skills in verbal and written

▶ Able to conceptualize, plan and implement all advertising and promotional activities.

Resourceful and creative in developing ideas and implementing events.

Independent, creative, a self-starter and highly motivated.

Minimum 4-5 years of similar working experience preferably in brand marketing, media relations, corporate communications, event management and advertising, primarily in consumer products.

Distribution and Logistic Manager

Main Responsibilities:

In the to distributors.

To operate at optimum Variable Distribution Cost while ensuring maximum quality, cost and efficiency in terms of movement and storage of goods; Compliance to control issues in Logistics

Supervision and administration of the company's depots.

Maintain highest level of warehouse standard.

Supervision of transportation suppliers.

Requirements:

field.

Masters from any recognized university.

D Strong leadership abilities with excellent interpersonal and communication skills in verbal and written English. Posses a mature and confident personality.

Independent, positive attitude, highly motivated, result oriented, target driven and able to work in a fluid and fast moving environment. ▶ Knowledge of FMCG product's distribution process with 5-7 years working experience in relevant

Management Trainee

Main Responsibilities:

Creative, a self-starter and highly motivated.

Builds brand understanding and applies research findings to build consumer, customer and shopper opportunities and uses this do drive growth.

Deploy communication content in at all relevant consumer and shopper touch points.

Brings the brand to life at the point of purchase. Able to work under pressure

Requirements:

BBA from IBA/Khulna university.

Strong leadership abilities with excellent interpersonal and communication skills in verbal and written English.

Able to work under pressure independently with minimum supervision.

Sales Officer-Institutional Sale

Main Responsibilities

Donduct census of Institutional outlets in Dhaka and Chittagong.

Develop and implement Institutional strategy of BEOL.

Achieve secondary sales target.

Distributor management.

▶ Ensure product quality and customer service.

Requirements: Masters in any discipline from any reputed university.

▶ Excellent interpersonal relationship.

Strong communication skills particularly in English- written and verbal.

Able to work under stress and pressure. At least 2-3 years working experience in relevant field.

Depot Officer

Main Responsibilities:

Monitor safety stock & re-order points.

Inventory Control through daily stock verification.

Dupply as per customer requirements to ensure Deliver On-Time.

D Space analysis.

Age analysis of products.

I FIFO maintaining.

Manage transportation.

Requirements:

D Bachelor's Degree.

Strong communication skills particularly in English- written and verbal.

Able to work under stress and pressure.

At least 2-3 years working experience in relevant field.

Ready to work at any location in Bangladesh.

Assistant Sales Officer

Main Responsibilities:

Achievement of secondary sales target. Ensure visibility of BEOL products in outlets.

Effective coverage of outlets.

Develop and maintain trade relation.

Requirements:

Degree.

Strong communication skills particularly in English- written and verbal.

Able to work under stress and pressure.

At least 2-3 years working experience in relevant field.

Executive-Coordination (Female)

Main Responsibilities:

Provide administrative and secretarial support to Country Head including meeting schedules, travel arrangements, upkeep and maintenance of documentation and correspondence and the preparation of confidential information.

To develop filing and storage system for information or data collected.

Assist in preparation of reports & business correspondence.

▶ Ensure the smooth running of the administrative operations of the office. Requirements:

Excellent communication skill with good command of written and spoken English.

▶ Good working knowledge of Microsoft Office applications.

Strong organization skills with good administrative abilities. Must be methodical, logical and very organized.

Minimum Bachelor's degree holder in any field.

Confident with pleasant personality.

Fresh graduates are encouraged to apply but candidate having 2-3 years relevant working experience will be preferred.

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University's Curb Event Centre on Tuesday in Nashville, Tennessee.

president Thabo Mbeki threatened yesterday to split from the ruling African National Congress, accusing its leaders of abandoning demo-

that guided the struggle against apartheid and made democracy icon Nelson Mandela the country's Zuma. first black president. period of time... to call a national

When asked if he planned to form a new political party, Lekota said: "It seems to be that it will be

pullback in Georgia AP, Karaleti

Russian forces pulled back from positions outside Georgia's sepa- somewhat but will not resolve ratist South Ossetia region, bull- major disputes pitting Russia dozing a camp at a key checkpoint against Georgia and Western counand withdrawing as European tries, which have condemned Union monitors followed. A Moscow's invasion of the ex-Soviet Russian general said the pullout republic and its recognition of the would be completed yesterday.

Dozens of Russian armoured nations. personnel carriers, trucks and transport vehicles rolled north on a small base at the Russian checkmain road leading through a buffer point in Karaleti was almost comzone from Georgian-controlled pletely dismantled, and two bullterritory into South Ossetia. dozers levelled ground at the site. Georgian residents, frightened by Two armoured personnel carriers arson and looting in the area pulled out and headed toward blamed on Russia's Ossetian allies, South Ossetia shortly after the lined the road to watch.

wake of the August war between Russia and Georgia.

The pullback may ease tensions separatist regions as independent

On Wednesday morning, a

chief of Russian peacekeeping Moscow must withdraw its troops in the region said the withtroops from buffer zones sur- drawal had begun. rounding South Ossetia and Speaking at the Karaleti checkanother breakaway region, point, Maj Gen Marat Kulakhmetov Abkhazia, by Friday under an said the withdrawal from all six agreement brokered by French posts on the edge of the buffer zone President Nicolas Sarkozy in the should be finished by day's end.