

The relations between Czechoslovakia and North Korea started in October 1948. The Czechoslovak Republic as one of the first countries in the world acknowledged Kim Il-sung's state. In the following two years, no progress was made in Czechoslovak-North Korean relations. The Czechoslovak legation was founded in September 1950, the first North Korean envoy arrived in July 1951. The relationship was very friendly in years 1950-53. In fact, it was rather an alliance.

After the beginning of the Korean War, Czechoslovakia protested against measures taken by the Security Council. Czechoslovak communist leaders considered the intervention against North Korean aggression illegal. During summer 1950, many resolutions against "American imperialism" were sent to the United Nations from Czechoslovakia.

Economic aid to North Korea also started in the summer of 1950. Until the end of the war in Korea, goods worth 800 million crowns were sent from Czechoslovakia.

As another means of help to North Korea, Czechoslovakia took care of nine hundred Korean children and provided education for 170 high school students and 150 university students. The Czechoslovak Republic also sent a military hospital with two hospital teams consisting of 58 people to Korea in 1952. The total value of Czechoslovak aid was about 1 000 millions crowns (in the old currency before 1953). Political Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia declared that this help was a gift.