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In the last 5-6 days the Seoul radio station broadcast news that the recent statements of the former US ambassador to South Korea during 1967-1971, regarding the interception of the discussions held in the Presidential Palace in Seoul by the United States, provoked the discontent of the public opinion and the South Korean officials.

The same sources indicate that on April 12th large protests against the United States' meddling in South Korea's internal affairs took place in the capital, in front of the American Embassy and in other South Korean cities.

On April 12 summoned in a regular session, the South Korean parliament put on its agenda the discussion of the case of the former US ambassador as well as its implications.

The opportunity of three-party consultations – between the United States of America, South Korea, and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, will be analyzed.

On the agenda of the Parliament there is also the analysis of the results of the investigation regarding the bribing of the American congressmen and taking some measures to improve the security of South Korea for the gradual withdrawal of American forces from the country, [which is due] at the end of this year.

Signed

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