## Black Lives Matter banner in Seoul removed after Trump complaints



Seoul, June 17 (RHC)-- A large "Black Lives Matter" banner draped on the outside of the U.S. embassy in Seoul, South Korea was removed after President Donald Trump expressed his displeasure about it, two people familiar with the matter told the Reuters News Agency.

The banner was hung on the front of the mission building over the weekend as the embassy tweeted a message in support of the anti-racism campaign across the US and worldwide in response to the killing last month of Floyd.

The banner was seen as a rare show of open support for the Black Lives Matter movement by a Trump appointee, Ambassador Harry Harris. Embassy spokesman William Coleman reiterated that Harris's reason for putting it up was "to communicate a message of solidarity with Americans concerned with racism."

Bloomberg News reported earlier that both Trump and U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo were angry about the banner and ordered it be taken down.

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