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Summary:

Announcement that all North Korean Embassy personnel in Oslo have been asked to leave the country following reports of smuggling through the embassy.

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All personnel from the North Korean Embassy in Oslo have been declared unwanted in Norway. They have been ordered to leave the country within six days.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has taken this measure after receiving a police report proving the civil servants of the North Korean Embassy have been involved in extensive illegal import and distribution of spirits and cigarettes.

This afternoon, Secretary General Sverre Gjellum summoned North Korea's Embassy Counsellor and chargé d'affaires in Oslo, Pak Gi-pil [sic], informed him of the police report, and declared the Embassy's personnel *persona non grata* in Norway and asked them to leave the country.

Oslo, 18. October 1976