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Spanish judge to request extradition of Korea embassy intruders from US: source

Madrid.—Intruders forced their way into North Korea's embassy in Madrid last month, identified themselves as a human rights campaign group and tried to persuade an official there to defect, a court which specialises in organised crime said yesterday.

Spain's Interior Ministry had previously said police were investigating an incident at the embassy on Feb. 22, but gave no details except to say that a North Korean citizen had been injured and that no one had filed a complaint.

A Mexican citizen who is a U.S. resident, named as Adrian Hong Chang, led the group of 10 intruders and contacted the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) days afterwards to pass on information about the raid, the Spanish High Court said in an official document based on an investigation of the

The group stole computers, hard disks and pen drives, it said. It was not clear how the court knew that the man had contacted the

The FBI did not respond yesterday to requests for comment.

Three of the intruders took an embassy official into the basement and encouraged him to defect from North Korea. They identified themselves as members of a group who campaigned for the "liberation of North Korea", the document said.



Time for a change

Madrid.—European Union lawmakers voted yesterday to scrap from 2021 the practice of moving clocks forward by an hour in spring then back again in the autumn, two years later than the EU executive initially proposed. The European Parliament voted by 410 to 192 in favour of ending the practice of seasonal time shifts. The vote is not the last word on the issue but will form the

basis of discussions with EU member countries to produce a final law. The countries have yet to take a stance.

Since 2001, EU law has required all countries in the bloc to observe daylight saving time, moving clocks forward by an hour on the last Sunday of March and back by an hour on the final Sunday in October.

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Spanish politicians call Mexican president letter an "offence"

Madrid.—Spanish politicians reacted with anger yesterday to a request by Mexico's president for an apology for the wrongs

committed by conquerors to indigenous peoples 500 years ago, calling it an affront to Spanish history. Spanish conquistadors arrived in the territory of Mexico in 1521 and ruled it as a colony until 1821, sweeping away the Aztec empire. See Inside