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President Obama met yesterday with Amb. Stephen Bosworth, the newly-appointed Special Representative for North Korea Policy. At the President's and Secretary of State's request, Ambassador Bosworth will travel next week for consultation with our allies and partners in the Six-Party Talks to discuss the problem of North Korea's nuclear and missile programs.

Ambassador Bosworth served as the United States ambassador to the Republic of Korea from 1997 to 2000. He was Executive Director of the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO) from 1995 to 1997 and previously served as ambassador to Tunisia and the Philippines. He serves as Dean of the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University.

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* To read other press releases from the White House about the topic discussed by President Obama with Ambassador Bosworth, please click on these links:

[Six-Party Talks in Beijing](#) and

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* **Editor's Note:** Perhaps Philippine President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo should have designated a special Filipino envoy to meet with the then Dean Bosworth (before he was appointed to his current post) and the other former American top diplomats who were previously assigned at the American Embassy in Manila and talk about establishing linkages with the Obama Administration . Instead, President Arroyo invited herself to meet with then Presidential Candidate Obama, President-elect Obama and President Obama and was repeatedly turned down. As stated in this article, [President Arroyo Experiences Quadruple Bypass](#), the Filipino leader not only embarrassed herself but also the Filipino people, especially the four-million strong Filipino-American community. In short, even a moral midget of a national leader must and should know how protocol works. # # #

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