

North Korea on Thursday said it had rejected the U.S. proposal to restart negotiations, saying the U.S. proposal was just to "paralyze us" before the end of the year deadline, which North Korea was not interested in. North Korea wants the us to show more negotiating flexibility by the end of the year.

The special representative of the State Department for North Korea policy Stephen Biegun sent a signal through a third country that he hoped the two sides would meet again and restart the consultation, Kim Myung Kyi, a North Korean negotiator and visiting Ambassador of the Ministry of foreign affairs, said in a statement released by the Korean Central News Agency.

Kim and Bigen met last month in Stockholm, Sweden, for the first time since US President Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un agreed in June to restart negotiations. Since the failure of the Vietnam summit in February, the process of resuming negotiations between the DPRK and the US has been stalled.