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Ford honeymoon ends with Russians, too

United Press International

MOSCOW — The Soviet Union indirectly criticized President Ford for the first time yesterday, attacking him for announcing plans to visit South Korea.

The official Tass news agency said Ford's trip "will undoubtedly be a demonstration of support of the repressive policy pursued by the Chung-Hee Park government."

It was the first time since Ford succeeded former President Nixon that the Soviets had singled him out for criticism.

Last month, Tass denounced his statement that the Soviet Union had three naval bases in the Indian Ocean but blamed Ford's advisers for misinforming him.

Tass quoted Sen. Edward Kennedy as saying he doubts the expediency of the Ford visit to Seoul.