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## TURNER TV REMARKS ON CIA, SOVIET AIMS CRITICIZED

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[M. Chernousov article: "Facing the Past"]

[Text] There is a tradition in the American Navy: A couple of weeks after entering upon his duties a commander reports to his superiors. Adm Stansfield Turner, who has spent most of his life at sea, decided not to depart from this tradition on dry land either. Two weeks after he took the chair of director of the CIA, the admiral reported on the state of affairs--not to his superiors, true, but to the enormous audience of CBS television's "Face the Nation" program.

For a start S. Turner attempted to justify the CIA leadership's practice of bribing foreign politicians (as well as the bribing of American congressmen by South Korean intelligence): "Bribery is one thing, but aid and support given to a friend are something else!"

Then the admiral assured his audience that the "morale and general mood of CIA personnel is quite good now." Two days later the "good mood" in the CIA was fully displayed in a report which the U.S. President sent to Congress, proposing to expand the activity against the socialist countries by the subversive "Liberty" and "Free Europe" radio stations, which are under CIA jurisdiction.

S. Turner evidently wanted to please his audience by saying that the CIA would no longer spy on American citizens within the country. But his compatriots know the worth of such promises.

Moving on to international affairs, Admiral S. Turner totally perplexed his audience. On the one hand, he talked of some kind of "economic, ideological and political weakness" of the Soviet Union. And on the other--even with all these "weaknesses"--he said that the "correlation of forces is gradually changing in favor of the Soviet side," which will not fail to take advantage of this in order to exert "political pressure on the rest of the world."

No, Admiral Turner did not turn to "face the nation", he faced the past.

## SENATE COMMITTEE APPROVES RECORD MILITARY BUDGET

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[Text] Washington, April 6, TASS--The Senate Budget Committee has satisfied in full measure the request of the U.S. Government on allocating 111.9 billion dollars for military purposes to the Pentagon in 1978. The senators approved Pentagon's spending by a majority vote for the development of the new weapons systems, such as "MX" missiles, cruise missiles and the B-1 bomber. These allocations for military spending are a record in the U.S. history. In this connection the press notes that President Carter rejected in fact his pre-election promises to cut Pentagon's spending by 5-7 billion dollars. The draft budget submitted by him to Congress is only 2-2.5 billion dollars less than the one submitted by the Ford administration before resignation.