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Attorney General Jeff Sessions testified at a Senate hearing on Tuesday that he did not have a third undisclosed meeting with Russian ambassador Sergey Kislyak as he denied any notion that he colluded with Russian officials during President Donald Trump's campaign.

"The suggestion that I participated in any collusion or that I was aware of any collusion with the Russian government to hurt this country, which I have served with honor for over 35 years, or to undermine the integrity of our democratic process, is an appalling and detestable lie," Sessions said before the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Sessions had been forced to clarify remarks from his confirmation hearing in January that he did not have communications with Russian officials when two previous meetings with Kislyak surfaced earlier this year. But the Justice Department has repeatedly denied that a third meeting took place, reportedly at the Mayflower Hotel in April 2016.

"I did not have any private meetings nor do I recall any conversations with any Russian officials at the Mayflower Hotel," Sessions said on Tuesday.

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