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Summary:

Alekseyev delivers a letter from Khrushchev, and Fidel Castro promises to choose a date for his visit to the Soviet Union.

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RECORD OF A CONVERSATION

with Fidel CASTRO RUZ, Prime Minister of the Republic of Cuba

7 March 1963

I met with F. Castro in order to pass him Cde. N. S. Khrushchev's personal letter of 6 March.

Fidel was very pressed for time at the ORO National Leadership meeting, and therefore he invited me to his car, where I passed him the aforementioned letter. In the situation which developed he could not familiarize himself with the text of the letter and I passed him the content of the letter orally. We arranged to meet and talk another time.

Castro told about his decision in principle to go to the [Soviet] Union at approximately the time we had named, but promised to report a specific date later.

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