

**November 16, 1962**  
**Letter, P.V. Akindinov to the Chief of General  
Headquarters of the Armed Forces of the USSR**

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**Summary:**

A cover letter from the Chief of Headquarters in Cuba indicating that he is submitting photos of the withdrawal of Soviet troops and the destruction of Soviet launchpads in Cuba.

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TO THE CHIEF OF GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS  
Moscow

in reply to your N° 76688 from 4 November 1962

I am submitting an album of photos of the withdrawal of missile troops to the USSR, and the dismantling and destruction of the Soviet launch pads on the island of Cuba.

Two of the same albums are saved in the headquarters of the Group of Soviet Forces on the island of Cuba until your special instructions.

ATTACHMENT: Aforementioned in the text our inventory 429 on 72 sheets, copy N° 1 - only to the addressee.

CHIEF OF HEADQUARTERS OF THE GROUP OF SOVIET FORCES  
ON THE ISLAND OF CUBA

General-Lieutenant

[signature] ([P.V.] AKINDINOV)

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[Translator's note: the attachment was not included.]