

November 18, 1962
**Telegram from Soviet Foreign Minister A.A.
Gromyko to A.I. Mikoyan**

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Summary:

Soviet refusal to join the Cubans in firing at American planes.

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Russian

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I am transmitting instructions from the Authorities.

If our Cuban friends address you in reference to their decision on firing at American planes, then they should be told the following:

In view of the fact that decision on firing at American planes was not submitted to our approval, we do not consider it possible to take part in this. For this reason, we have given instructions to our military men not to open fire on American planes.

A. Gromyko