

**November 6, 1962**  
**Cable from the Chinese Foreign Ministry,  
'Instruction on How to Express Positions Regarding  
the Cuba-Soviet Relationship'**

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**Summary:**

Instructions from the Chinese Foreign Ministry to the Embassy in Cuba instructing them to indicate their support for Fidel Castro's November 1st speech, but advising "with respect to the Cuban-Soviet relationship, [you] should not speak but listen [zhiting bushuo]."

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Special Urgency

Embassy in Cuba, along with all other embassies and consulates,

[We] have received the cable sent on 2 [November] regarding the external position on the question of supporting Cuba's struggle. In general, your ideas are approved. You could refer to the note from Foreign Minister Chen [Yi] to the Cuban chargé d'affaires in China, our government's statement on 25 October, etc., to positively indicate our position of supporting [Fidel] Castro's speech on the night of 1 [November]. With respect to the Cuban-Soviet relationship, [you] should not speak but listen [zhiting bushuo].

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

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