

August 5, 1963 Bulgarian Consulate, Istanbul (Karadimov), Cable to Foreign Ministry

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Summary:

Bulgaria's General Consul in Istanbul, Turkey, reported to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs information he received from the Chief of the Greek General Staff to Turkey. As recorded, the Greek General Staff reported a meeting between Turkish and Greek governments. The governments discussed a non-aggression pact between Warsaw Pact and NATO countries and the use of Polaris missile submarines in Turkish waters.

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From: Istanbul

Written on 4 August 1963 at 12.00 pm

From the consulate, I received the following information regarding the latest visit of the Chief of the Greek General Staff to Turkey and the talks held.

The two parties exchanged their considerations over the proposal to sign an agreement for non-aggression between the Warsaw Pact member-countries and NATO.

The Greek delegation stated that they were not prepared to accept Polaris submarines in Greek territorial waters and suggested that Turkey deploy these submarines, which will be used for the protection of Turkey and Greece, in Turkish waters. The Turkish side stated that they could only accept these submarines, in case that they were used for the defense of Turkey.

[General Consul] KARADIMOV[1] Deciphered on 5 August 1963

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