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Summary:

Shelepin reports on intelligence claiming that US scientists have developed a method to disrupt the guidance of Soviet missiles during launch.

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To com. N. S. KHRUSHCHEV

I report to you that a trustworthy source of the KGB post in Paris made the following report:

In a private meeting, de GAULLE told the State Secretary of Internal Affairs, MAURICE-BOKANOVSKY, that EISENHOWER, who arrived in Paris for a conference of heads of state, informed de GAULLE that American scientists had informed him that they had developed a new method that would enable to disrupt the guidance of Soviet missiles during launch by means of radio waves emitted from a distance.

As a result of this not a single Soviet missile would reach its target, according to EISENHOWER.

In answer to de GAULLE's question whether you are aware of this, EISENHOWER replied in the affirmative.

MAURICE-BOKANOVSKY related this conversation to the former Director of the Office of the Minister of Internal Affairs, MORLEAU, who shared this information with our source.

CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE FOR STATE SECURITY [signature] (A. SHELEPIN)