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Summary:

Malin provides notes from Issa Pliev, who would be named commander of Soviet forces in Cuba. They make reference to Kennedy's Independence Day speech, and draft a response, to the remarks made therein.

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Matters Concerning Cuba

Cde. Pliev - the commander.[1]

Regarding practical matters.

Defense equipment, then other equipment.

Speak out in criticism of Kennedy and Rusk for their speeches marking Independence Day [4 July].[2]

Look at drafts of monuments.

Concerning the subway.

Concerning metal, concerning tires -the republics must be responsible.

[1]Translator's Note: Issa Aleksandrovich Pliev (1903-1979), a much-decorated Soviet commander in World War II, had been elevated to the rank of Army General in 1962 shortly before he was appointed commander of Soviet forces on Cuba.

[2] Translator's Note: President John F. Kennedy spoke at Independence Hall in Philadelphia on 4 July 1962, urging Americans to "be ready for a Declaration of Interdependence . . . to discuss with a united Europe the ways and means of forming a concrete Atlantic partnership . . . to throw off the yoke of poverty . . . balance our world-wide trade . . . and deter any aggression in order to achieve a world of law and free choice." See "Address at Independence Hall, July 4, 1962," in US Office of the Federal Register, Public Papers of the Presidents of the United States: President John F. Kennedy, 1962, Vol. 2, pp. 591-593. US Secretary of State Dean Rusk joined the president in Philadelphia and voiced similar themes in his own remarks there.