Telegram from Gromyko to Mikoyan

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In connection with the Kuznetsov telegram (our No. 1037) about U Tant’s proposal to give an opportunity for five ambassadors of Latin American countries in Cuba to visit those places where the launching sites for the Soviet missiles were located, it was decided to inform you of the following:

We believe that it would be in the Cuban interest to accept this proposal. Especially because this proposal was introduced by those countries of Latin America that still keep diplomatic relations with Cuba. This would be a certain sign of appreciation for those countries, and they could play a beneficial role in relation to Cuba in the future.

It would be expedient for you to present this idea to the Cuban friends in an appropriate form.

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