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Dear Jack:

After Major Burdeshaw visited us and looked over some documents, he left with me several questions on which he wished further information.

I have had the staff prepare answers and I forward them herewith. If they are not adequate or need clarifying, please let me know.

Preet joins me in warmest good wishes for the Christmas season to Nan and you. Our daughter Mary reports that she had the pleasure of meeting you on a recent visit with the Nickersons.

Faithfully yours,

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Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy Director

Attachment.

Blind Memo dtd 13 Nov 63, Subject: Selected Information on Soviet Bloc Air Defense Systems (63-8239)

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MEMORANDUM FOR DD/I

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1. A recent visitor from the Army Air Defense Center at Fort Bliss went through a number of classified Soviet documents on Air Defense and found them most helpful. I volunteered to try to get answers to the following questions which did not seem to be covered in the periodicals which he reviewed:

a. Is there a procedure for the exercise of command and control of the air space over the Soviet field armies, and, if so, what is it? In other words, where do guns and missiles leave off and interceptors take over? Who has the control? Is the timing by altitude differential, target, or what?

b. Is there any indication that short-range missiles are taking the place of smaller caliber guns for the air defense of forward areas in the combat zone? In other words, are the 37 and 67 millimeter guns of the field forces being phased out by any sort of missile? If so, do you have any details?

c. The Soviet documents use a different nomenclature than our own intelligence publications. Could you please correlate the S-missile, the M-missile, and the S-75 missile with such nomenclature as the SA-2, SA-3, etc., and if possible, a general correlation to the Hawk, Nike-Ajax, Nike-Hercules, etc.

2. If you can give me the foregoing information classified no higher than Secret it would be helpful so I can forward it to the Army Air Defense Center.

Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy Director

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Remarks:

The attached data on Soviet Air Defense matters were prepared in response to your memo of 31 October. Specific problems covered are command and control of Soviet air space, short range air defense missiles in the field forces, and correlation of Soviet and Western nomenclature on air defense missiles.

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