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Jarring gives us following background information re Swedo-Soviet conversations: Effort made to be cordial with red carpet treatment everywhere, for example, four planes to Caucasus. Soviets tried to have included in joint communique (1) reference to "neutral" rather than alliance-free Swedish policy, (2) statement that they "support" as well as respect it, and (3) reference to relations between two nations and Communist China, pointing out that point mentioned in joint Soviet-Canadian communique. Swedes successfully refused to accept any of these. Russians pressed for inclusion of favorable reference to Atoms for Peace program and Swedes countered by including this in paragraph re UN. They underscored UN throughout visit. Soviets did not (repeat not) raise peaceful Baltic or German questions nor (repeat nor) was any reference made to east-west trade. Erlander firmly stated that Sweden would not (repeat not) try to influence Danish or Norwegian foreign policy and this matter not (repeat not) thereafter raised, although Swedes convinced more friendly northern flank is present objective Soviet policy. Swedes mentioned shooting down their planes but did not (repeat not) press it.

On Wallenberg case Soviets at first very cold but finally accepted Swedish dossier of information and promised to investigate. Jarring pointed out communique printed in PRAVDA, posted all over Soviet Union as they saw in Caucasus and announced over radio, so will be known even in prison camps.

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