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THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS THE RESULT OF A SPECIAL EFFORT TO ESTABLISH THE CONTEXT OF ZHUKOV'S STATEMENTS ON PERFORMANCE OF SOVIET AIRCRAFT:

IN THE COURSE OF HIS SPEECH, ZHUKOV POSED A QUESTION REGARDING THE TYPE OF FIGHTER AIRCRAFT IN USE IN THE GSFG, AND WAS INFORMED THAT THE GSFG HAD THE MIG-19. ZHUKOV THEN ASKED WHAT THE CEILING OF THE MIG-19 WAS, AND RECEIVED THE ANSWER THAT THIS AIRCRAFT OPERATED AT AN ALTITUDE OF 19 KILOMETERS IN GSFG TRAINING ACTIVITIES. ZHUKOV THEN STATED THAT THIS WAS "OLD STUFF", AND THAT SOVIET AIRCRAFT IN THE USSR OPERATED AT ALTITUDES OF 25 TO 30 KILOMETERS, AND AT SPEEDS OF 1,800 TO 2,000 KILOMETERS PER HOUR.

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