

Message from Nikolai Bulganin to Dwight D. Eisenhower (7 November 1956)

Caption: On 7 November 1956, Nikolai Bulganin, President of the Council of Ministers of the Soviet Union, sends a letter to the US President, Dwight D. Eisenhower, refuting the US allegations concerning Soviet policy in Hungary.

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Message from the Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the U.S.S.R. (Bulganin) to the President, November 7, 1956.

Answering your letter dated November 4, I feel urged to state that the problem of the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Hungary touched therein comes completely and entirely under the competence of the Hungarian and Soviet governments.

I assume that in the meantime you probably could get acquainted with the program of the Revolutionary Workers' and Peasants' Government of Hungary which has been outlined by the Government in an appeal to the Hungarian people.

Certainly you will have noted that this program gives complete information on any questions that may interest you.

As to the Soviet Government's statement of October 30, 1956, on the principles of the development and further strengthening of friendly cooperation between the Soviet Union and the other Socialist countries – which was mentioned in your letter – there is absolutely no reason to doubt that the Soviet Government's policy has been guided and will be guided by the principles outlined in this declaration.