

BOB DOLE UNITED STATES SENATE January 11, 1983

Dear Mr. Shitikov:

On behalf of the United States Congressional Delegation which visited Moscow last November, I would like to thank you for the invitation of the Supreme Soviet Parliamentary Group, and for the luncheon which you hosted in our honor on November 18. The arrangements for our participation at the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council meetings were very much appreciated, and we are grateful for the transportation provided by the Supreme Soviet for our other appointments in Moscow.

Please extend my personal thanks and best wishes to the Supreme Soviet staff who went to great lengths to make our visit as enjoyable and meaningful as possible under the difficult circumstances which existed at the time. We each left your country confident that the trip contributed to the goals of increasing mutual trust and fostering trade relations that hold great potential for achieving a more peaceful world.

I sincerely hope that it will be possible for members of the Supreme Soviet Parliamentary Group to visit the United States in the near future, and would look forward to meeting with such a delegation in Washington, D.C.

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I would like to use this opportunity to extend to you my best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

BOB DOLE

United States Senate