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Le Délégué du Conseil fédéral aux Accords commerciaux, H. Ebrard, au Commissaire du Peuple pour le Commerce extérieur de l'URSS, A. Mikoyan

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Inform you that my uninterrupted efforts concerning departure of sovjet buying and receiving commissions <sup>1</sup> have been successfull, the governments of respective countries having guaranted the free transit. The transport is starting August twelfth evening in two sleepings from Baden via Milano Beograd Sofia until Bulgarian Turkish frontier. I have charged a Swiss to accompany transport, furnished with recommendation of respective governments. Twentyfivethousand Swissfrancs cash have been advanced to Mr. Artemjev I therefore should be pleased by your advising Swiss bank corporation to pay the above amount to my order. Please invite your Ambassador Ankara to secure transport facilities beyond Turkish frontier. Mr. Artemjev has necessary fund for this part of travel. I may expect that you will in accordance with your wire 498 of 21 July <sup>2</sup> take now the necessary steps for return of Swiss citizens whose names are enumerated in my wire of July 18th <sup>3</sup>.



<sup>1.</sup> Cf. Nos 72 et 73.

<sup>2.</sup> Cf. No 77, note 4.

<sup>3.</sup> Cf. Nº 77.