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A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that an unidentified male told Nikifor McLevchenko at the Soviet Embassy, Washington, D.C., on May 19, 1960, that he had reason to believe that if an invitation was extended to Senator John F. Kennedy to visit Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev on June 10, 1960, the Senator would accept such an invitation. According to the source, the unidentified individual indicated that he was a private citizen in the moving business and believed that Senator Kennedy would win the Presidential nomination and would also be elected the next President. The unidentified individual stated he feels that such a meeting would be beneficial to all people concerned. The source advised that Levchenko remarked that he thought that the unidentified individual might be with the press.

Subsequently, Igor D. Bubnov advised the source that an individual describing himself as Jerry Dolittle (phonetic) of the Washington Daily News, |contacted | (5) him at the Soviet Embassy inquiring whether it was true that an invitation had been issued to Senator Kennedy to visit the Soviet Union June 10, 1960. Bubnov stated that he was not "au courant" on the matter, but would endeavor to find out and advise Dolittle. Bubnov told the source that Dolittle stated that there was apparently a rumor around and his city editor asked him to check on it.

The April, 1960, "Diplomatic List," published by the United States Department of State, lists Nikifor M. Levchenko as a Second Secretary and Igor D. Bubnov as a Third Secretary of the Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Washington, D.C.

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