

With complement of CV Narasimhan  
delivered by hand "most immediate" to Amb. Yost - US man  
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*Quote*

The White House announced today that, in response to the  
appeal made by the Acting Secretary-General on Wednesday  
24 October and the assurances given by Chairman Khrushchev in his  
letter of 23 October, that his officers had been ordered "to take  
the necessary measures to stop the building of the said objectives,  
dismantle them, and return them to the Soviet Union", and that he  
was ready "to come to an agreement that representatives of the  
United Nations may verify the dismantling of these means", the  
President had decided voluntarily to suspend the quarantine measures  
which went into effect on Wednesday 24 October. The quarantine  
measures would remain suspended until the return of the Acting  
Secretary-General, U Thant, from his visit to Cuba, and would be  
lifted if there was sufficient ground for doing so on the basis  
of the conclusions reached by the Acting Secretary-General after  
his visit. In this connection it was pointed out that some aides  
would be accompanying the Acting Secretary-General, and it was hoped  
that, even while the Acting Secretary-General was in Cuba, the actual  
progress of the dismantling of the missile bases could be ascertained.

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