

Khrushchev Hits Hard at U. S. Over Cuba Aerial Inspections

MOSCOW (UPI) — Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev said Wednesday the Soviet Union has just as much right to fly aerial inspections over other countries as the United States has to send reconnaissance planes over Cuba.

"Why should one side assume such a right and deny this right to others?" Khrushchev told a Kremlin reception for Soviet military academy graduates.

He said that just because Cuba has "chosen" communism is no "ground for U. S. interference in the internal affairs" of that island nation.

"We also don't like it that some states which are neighbors of the Soviet Union are members of military blocs, allies of the United States,"

Khrushchev said in apparent reference to Pakistan, Turkey and Iraq.

"Will, if we are to follow, so to speak, the American logic, then the Soviet Union must violate the sovereignty of these states and so to say inspect their territory from the air," he said.

But Khrushchev said, "If such a policy is followed, then there will be no peace but chaos."

"... This road leads especially in our times not to peace but to the aggravation of tension," the Kremlin leader said.

Khrushchev said there should be peace between nations no matter what "different social systems" they choose. "It is necessary that the great powers conduct a

policy of non-interference in the internal affairs" of other countries, he said.

Speaking of American "intrusion" in Cuban air space, Khrushchev said, "unless such actions are discontinued, they may lead to most serious consequences in the Caribbean area."

"Such a policy cannot be connived with, because the example might prove contagious to aggressive forces in other areas of the world," he said.

Khrushchev again accused the United States of aggression in Laos. And he said a "dangerous hotbed of international tension exists in central Europe" because the German problem has not been settled.

He said if an enemy touches off a war, the Soviet Un-

ion will make a stand for its rights.

"It will not leave its friends and allies in the lurch," Khrushchev told the audience.

"Any attempt to attack the Soviet Union may end as ingloriously and shamefully as it did for (Adolf) Hitler, but more quickly."

Khrushchev also accused the United States of aggression in South Viet Nam.

Khrushchev said the Soviet Union supported "just and holy" wars by peoples seeking liberation.

"Such wars we regard as just and holy," he said. "We support the peoples who take up arms and uphold their independence and freedom, and we support them not only in words, but by concrete deeds."