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1. On 15 October 1951, the following attended a three-hour conference in the royal palace at Sofia:
 - a. Vulko Chervenkov, Bulgarian Prime Minister;
 - b. Petur Panchevsky, Bulgarian Minister of Defense;
 - c. A certain Sdanov;¹
 - d. A certain Dimitrov;²
 - e. A certain Georgiev;³
 - f. The commanders of the Second and Fourth Bulgarian Armies;
 - g. The commander of the Bulgarian Navy; and
 - h. A Soviet field marshal who came by plane from Hungary with four other high-ranking officers on 15 October 1951.
2. The Soviet field marshal presided over the conference at which the following subjects were reportedly discussed:
 - a. The situation created by the inclusion of Greece and Turkey in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization;
 - b. The information received from Ankara, Athens, and Paris regarding the military contacts and conferences of Generals Bradley and Slim;
 - c. The information received from Belgrade concerning the conferences of General Collins in the latter city;
 - d. The possibility of a Belgrade-Athens axis;
 - e. The Turkish position vis-a-vis Bulgaria, following the assumption by Turkey of a leading role in the Middle East; and

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f. The increase in size of the Bulgarian armed forces.

3. The Soviet officers stayed in the Grand Bulgarian Hotel, and departed for Tirana on 17 October 1951.

25X1A 1. [REDACTED] Possibly Zhdanov would be a more correct transliteration of the name.

25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Possibly Jordan (Dancho?) Dimitrov, Bulgarian Minister of Transport, is meant.

25X1A 3. [REDACTED] Possibly Kimon Georgiev, Bulgarian Minister of Electrification, is meant.

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