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## 'All Lies,' Soviet Attaché Says of Spying Charges

LONDON, Dec. 5 (UPI) — The Soviet naval attaché expelled from Britain for spying flew home to Moscow today, insisting that the allegations against him were "all lies."

The attaché, Capt. Anatoly Pavlovich Zotov, boarded an Aeroflot flight at Heathrow Airport clutching a bag of Christmas gifts.

His departure came two days after the Foreign Office announced his expulsion for "engaging in activities incompatible with his status" — diplomatic language for spying. The naval attaché, given until Wednesday to leave, said his wife was already in Moscow.

Mr. Zotov, who had previously refused to comment on the allegations, told reporters as he hurried to his flight that the charges were "without foundation."

"'It's all lies — a fiction," Mr. Zotov said as he hurried to his flight. "These allegations are a total invention."

Mr. Zotov remained silent, however, when asked if he knew Geoffrey Prime, a former employee at Britain's top-secret communications headquarters at Cheltenham. Newspapers speculated Mr. Zotov had been identified by Mr. Prime, who was sentenced last month to 35 years in jail for spying for the Soviet Union.